ARLIS/NA Ohio Valley Chapter Meeting Minutes

ARLIS/NA Conference, Washington DC

May 5, 2014

Present: Shannon Robinson (Chair), Mo Dawley (Vice Chair), Anne Trenholme (Secretary/Treasurer), Alison Huftalen (Past Chair), Sarah Sherman (Chapter Liaison), Betsy Lantz, Pam Eyerdam, Stacy Brinkman, Christine Edmonson, Matthew Gengler, Christine Mannix, Gail Storer, Leslie Jankowski, Anna-Sophia Zingarelli-Sweet, Sarah Falls

1. Meeting called to order by Shannon Robinson at 8:07 am, followed by a round of introductions

2. Travel Award: Shannon congratulated the travel award winner, Anna-Sophia Zingarelli-Sweet.

3. Pam Eyerdam moved to approve the Fall 2013 minutes. Gail Storer seconded. Minutes are approved by all in attendance.

4. Treasurer’s report: The balance as of 4/30/2014 is $837.54. The chapter has moved to electronic bank statements to avoid a monthly fee.

5. Membership Update: There are currently 29 members with 12 non-renewed members from 2013.
   a. Discussion over why this non-renewal number is so high, due primarily to students and other professionals joining for 2013 year for fall 2012 conference and then graduating/moving away.
   b. Anne to send out reminder for renewal to lapsed members.

6. Blog update: Jen has redesigned the chapter blog to be more in-line with the national website. She has also introduced an online membership form. Anne to work on enabling PayPal online membership payment option. Sarah Falls said that in her experience this payment option has upped membership in chapters.

7. Shannon gave the update that the chapter voted to increase the travel award and the donation to national.

8. Shannon opens discussion for the Fall 2014 Meeting.
   a. Mo Dawley offers to host the meeting in Pittsburgh. Many agree that this might bring attendance from Pitt library students, great opportunity for outreach.
   b. Discussion ensues over date of meeting. Mo thinks the first week of November, end of October would work best. Alison Huftalen says the chapter can send out a doodle poll to pick the best fit for members. Shannon says save the dates are usually sent out in August.
c. Many ideas for location of business meeting/tours and possible speakers are discussed. These include: faculty or staff from CMU/CMU Library, University of Pittsburgh faculty and staff of library and archives, Carnegie Museum of Art, Andy Warhol Museum/Archives, The Mattress Factory, Tech Shop Pittsburgh.

9. Chapter Chairs Meeting: Shannon shares information from the Chapter Chairs Meeting earlier in the conference. Chapter chairs will now meet virtually on a quarterly basis. The first virtual meeting will take place in three months and Shannon will report back. A listserv will be established for chapter chairs and chapter boards to facilitate communication.
   a. Gail asked if details for virtual conferences had been worked out yet and proposed the idea of a virtual conference for the chapter. Shannon noted that the Mountain West chapter regularly holds virtual conferences.
   b. Sarah Sherman says that when chapters want to organize a virtual meeting they should contact her for assistance setting things up. Sarah Falls says that she implemented GoToMeeting for national and that virtual conferences are exhausting, however, they are good fundraisers.

10. Conference hosting: national has approached our chapter to host a national conference (2017 or 2018), and IFLA just announced that their 2016 meeting will be held in Columbus.
   a. Ohio Valley has not hosted a conference since 1987 in Cleveland
   b. IFLA includes a smaller art libraries meeting at a nearby location (but not Columbus) before the main conference. Discussion settles on Cleveland and the Cleveland Museum of Art as the proposed site. This has the potential to raise the profile of art libraries in Cleveland and tie in with the museum’s centennial. IFLA does not provide financial support for this meeting, but will assist with fundraising efforts. IFLA requires a partner (presumably CMA) to provide seed funding. Betsy Lantz will approach CMA administration with this opportunity. Sarah Sherman to approach national board to see if ARLIS/NA would be interested in helping with fundraising. Host of conference is also responsible for the companion website. If CMA responds positively, members will vote on whether or not to proceed with a proposal.
   c. IFLA call for proposals would go out in January 2015, proposals due March 2015. We have just under a year to put together a proposal, another year to plan/prepare if chosen.
   d. General consensus that with IFLA in 2016, Ohio Valley should not host a national convention until 2019 or 2020 at the earliest. National conference is much larger, more of a commitment than the IFLA meeting discussed above. Our chapter would be tired from fundraising and planning, but also more practiced/prepared to approach hosting national.

11. Shannon adjourns the meeting at 8:58.

Submitted by Anne Trenholme, ARLIS/NA OV Secretary/Treasurer