ARLIS/NA Ohio Valley Chapter Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2016, 7:30 AM-8:30 AM

Seattle, Washington

ATTENDEES: Anne Trenholme, Barbara Prior, Betsy Lantz, Jason Schafer, Mo Dawley, Beth Royall, Nicole Lovenjak, Stacy Brinkman, Maggie Castellani

Meeting called to order by Anne Trenholme at 7:34 AM, followed by congratulations to Anne as new Chair and Nicole (Library/Archivist, Dayton Art Institute) as winner of the 2016 Spring Travel Award.

Mo moved to approve the fall meeting minutes, Betsy seconded. Minutes approved.

Because Beth Owens was not able to attend, Anne gave the treasury and membership reports:

- Treasury: We currently have a balance of $667.12. All officers have been reimbursed for dues, and the travel award has been issued. There are no expected expenses in the near term.
- Membership: We currently have 19 regular members, and 2 friend members. Of the 19 regular members, two are new, and 17 are renewals. We have some members who have retired or left their positions, and one of our regular members chose the friend option for 2016. A reminder was sent to the non-renewals in February.

Mo gave a summary of highlights of the 2015 annual report submitted in February 2016. Highlights included the 2015 travel awards, the 2016 election results, establishment of the Friend membership category, establishment of a listserv now being administered by Alison Huftalen, migration of our website from a personal WordPress account to WordPress through ARLIS/NA, and a $313.00 contribution made to the silent auction at the ARLIS/NA 2015 annual conference in Fort Worth.

The listserv is established and ready to be used. Moderator Alison Huftalen and the officers will be sending an email to notify members soon regarding the practices for posting, etc. The listserv is open to not only members but to non-members as well. This is an excellent resource to promote to our paraprofessional staff.

The content for the website has been migrated to WordPress. Web editor Marsha Miles is thinking about a new site design and will accept all members’ ideas and comments.

The chapter officers are proposing a change to Article IV. Elected Officers in the bylaws. In December 2015, Lou Adrean had to step down as 2016 Chair. Because there were no instructions in the bylaws for replacing the Chair, only the other officer positions, a new law was written to accommodate this situation: In the event that the Vice Chair/Chair-Elect cannot immediately assume responsibilities in the current year, the position shall be filled by the Executive Committee. The Chapter Executive Committee will be sending out an official ballot for voting on the revised bylaw revisions once the national board has given our chapter the approval on our revision’s wording. Anne Trenholme volunteered to fill the 2016 Chair position.

Anne, Mo and Barbara attended an IFLA meeting on March 8, 2016 at the ARLIS/NA conference. The 2016 IFLA Art Libraries Section satellite meeting is being held in Chicago August 9-11. Registration will open at the end of April. This meeting is being co-hosted by the Midstates and Ohio Valley chapters. Those interested in attending should contact Viveca Robichaud (vivecarobishaud@nd.edu), the Chair of
the Midstates chapter, to assist with the meeting (i.e. tours). The Midstates chapter will be asking for fund-raising assistance. ARLIS/NA donated $1,000.00 to the satellite meeting from both chapters.

Reports of events/new developments at their institutions from meeting attendees:

- The Clarence Ward Library at Oberlin College performed an analysis of their collection. It was found that 95% of the collection was housed on-site. After assessment of the collection, a total of 15,000 titles were chosen to send to on-campus storage.
- The Evansdale Library at West Virginia University is establishing a regular weeding program. Weeding has been performed in the majority of the colleges. The books will be stored in an off-site location. The library is implementing OCLC’s WorldShare Management Services which will replace their integrated library system Voyager.
- The library at the Dayton Art Institute closed in 2009. Nicole Lovenjak, the Institute’s Librarian/Archivist, will work with 2 staff members from the University of Dayton’s Libraries to assess the Institute’s library collection including selection, replacement and withdrawal of print and non-print materials.
- The University Libraries at Miami University has had a series of renovations in the last 4 years including weeding and down-sizing. The zine collection has been relocated which increased circulation of its use by 80%. Classes have also been created for non-art majors which has the students creating their own zines that are then added to the library’s collection.
- The Ingalls Library at the Cleveland Museum of Art is hoping to create a consortium of art periodicals with fellow mid-Western institutions. If any chapter member’s institutions are interested, please contact Betsy Lantz. The library has also instituted an online reference tool called Ask-An-Expert. The museum’s Gallery One houses iPads for museum visitors to use to submit questions to be answered by the library’s reference staff. Answers to the questions are sent to the individual, along with being displayed on the iPads. Because of the high success of the online reference tool, the library is hoping to expand usage with iPads placed in other high traffic areas throughout the museum. The reference tool can also be accessed on the library’s website.

Beth motioned to adjourn the business meeting. Jason seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Maggie Castellani