

MINUTES OF THE LACUNY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Friday, February 2, 2007

John Jay College, Conference Room

Present:

Michael Borries (CO), Jill Cirasella (BC), Jose Diaz (HO), Lisa Finder (HC), Ronnie Gomez (QC), Roman Santillan (SI), Jane Fitzpatrick (GC), Jeffrey Kroessler (JJ), Anne Leonard (NY), Karl Madden (ME), Alexandra Rojas (LG), Mark Padnos (BX), Ellen Sexton (JJ), Betsy Tompkins (KB), Sheila Beck (QB), Sara Aponte (CC), Lisa Ellis (BB), John Drobnicki (YC), Inna Shpilko (QC), William Gibbons (CC)

Not Represented:

Lehman, Centro de Estudios Puertorriquenos, CUNY Law School at Queens College, Graduate School of Library and Information Studies.

Acceptance of agenda.

Minutes of November 3, 2006 meeting approved.

President's Report: (L. Finder)

- Thanked all committees, roundtables for activities in a program-heavy year.
- Reminded program/committee chairs to submit annual reports in May/June.
- Encouraged volunteers for committees.
- Congratulated Hostos CC Library for winning the ACRL Excellence in Academic Libraries award (Community College division).

Vice-President's Report: (L. Ellis)

- The system of granting release time - and the use of adjuncts - is well in the works.
- There is a task force set up for issues regarding HS student patronage.
- CLICS is a hot issue (staffing, cost) - used mainly by graduate students and faculty.
- Curtis Kendrick wants to move slowly on Institutional Repository development - re inequities of lending/borrowing, etc.
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Nominating Committee The Nominating committee was elected: 4 members from different CUNY colleges: Jose Diaz (Hostos); John Drobniki (York); Jane Fitzpatrick (GC); and Jill Cirasella (Brooklyn)

Treasurer's Report: (E. Sexton)

Balance as of February 2, 2007: \$26,000. Paid members to date: 200.

Programs and Workshops:

- *LACUNY Dialogues* program - Jan. 19, 2007- Program very relevant, with lively discussions.
- March 2 *Second Life in Libraries*
- March 16 *Information Literacy as a Gen Ed Requirement* - with Betsy Barefoot at LaGuardia 3/16/07. LACUNY, LILAC + LaGuardia co-sponsoring.
- April 19 2PM (Hunter) is Prof Dev committee program *Writing for Peer-Reviewed Publication*
- April 27 2PM Hunter Book discussion (Roya Hakakian's *Journey from the Land of No*) Fri (from the Multicultural Committee, and President's office of Hunter)
- May 18th *LACUNY Institute, 2007* at Baruch. "*Technology with a Face: High Tech meets High Touch.*"

Committee Reports:

- **Instruction-** Meeting coming up
- **Emerging Technology-** Two new chairs - Steve Ovadia and Daisy Dominguez
- **Legislative Action-** Committee for Awareness, Organizing Legislative Day (for library matters - movement to have it function as an advocacy group - with a lobby function) - movement to keep politics out of CULIBS - Jane Fitzpatrick and Anne Leonard will join Lisa Ellis for a revitalized Legislative Action committee.
- **Professional Development-** Working on program for spring.

Publications:

- **LACUNY Directory**- Corrections all in, on web now, print should be ready to ship very soon
- **News from CUNY Libraries** – Michael Adams recently sent email info about the Fall 06 issue – online now – deadline for Spring 07 issue is April 30 – for notices of papers published, etc.
- **Urban Library Journal** – ‘Open Access’ issue – no target date as of yet.
- **LACUNY Blog**- All LACUNY members encouraged to contribute comments – as alternative to CULIBS

Roundtables:

- **Acquisitions** – Will meet at the end of March
- **Archives/Special Collections** – There was a meeting about using Metro Grants for digital projects.
- **Cataloguing** – Suggested that Reference Librarians need to more fully understand the catalog.
- **Interlibrary Loan** – CLICS is impacting IL, there are licensing issues regarding use of db articles.
- **Multicultural** – (see April 27 program) – new co-chair Geraldine B. Herbert
- **Web Management** – Started Blog – on CUNY Home Page – there was an *intro-toPHP* program Nov 10th

University Librarian: (C. Kendrick)

- Not present

Old Business:

Check for Katrina donation given to ALA president Leslie Burger at the winter membership meeting.

New Business:

- Bill Gargan urged support of resolution calling for equity for library faculty in CUNY, similar to SUNY’s situation - interest in an Ad Hoc committee in association with Legislative Action – issues include contract, release time, annual leave, research time, etc – for “greater equity if not total parity” – suggestions re formulae for organizing ref desk/teaching schedules, and other aspects of logistics to achieve goals – looking for models for usability – Jane Fitzpatrick, Roman Santillan, William Gibbons, Ann Leonard elected to investigate.
- Everyone should compile information about professional reassignment leaves for the academic year 2006-7 including number of weeks requested vs received, and whether reasons for reductions in number of wks were given (if available from chiefs).
- Spring Membership Program – tentative date: June 8 Brooklyn – tentative themes: Reports on Prof Reassignment/Release time, etc - - Libraries in McCarthy era.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:20 PM.

The next LACUNY Executive Council meeting will be held on Friday, March 9, 2007 at 2:30 PM at the John Jay College Conference Room (Room 610).