

MINUTES OF THE LACUNY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Friday, October 6, 2006

John Jay College, Library Conference Room

Present:

Sarah Aponte (CC), Sheila Beck (QB), Amanda Bielskas (BM), Michael Borries (CO), Jill Cirasella (BK), Jose Diaz (HO), Lisa Ellis (BB), Lisa Finder (HC), Jane Fitzpatrick (GC), Ronnie Gomez (QC), Louise Klusik (BB), Jeffrey Kroessler (JJ), Anne Leonard (NY), Brian Lynn (HC), Karl Madden (ME), Mark Padnos (BX), Roman Santillan (SI), Ellen Sexton, Ina Shpilko (QC), Ed Wallace (LE),

Not Represented:

Centro de Estudios Puertorriquenos, CUNY Law School at Queens College, Graduate School of Library and Information Studies, Kingsborough Community College, LaGuardia Community College, York.

Acceptance of agenda.

Minutes of September 8, 2006 meeting were approved.

President's Report: (L. Finder)

- Thanked everyone for their involvement with LACUNY. Reminded delegates to encourage all faculty to become LACUNY members- especially new faculty, and also to contribute to LACUNY, be active and participate.
- Reminder about the new LACUNY Blog: <http://lacuny.cuny.edu/blog/>
- Oral report from the May 15th, 2006 Chief Librarians meeting highlights included:
 - o Reassignment time- Faculty will have a choice of the 5 or 7 year tenure track
 - o OLS picking up fees for LAND service
 - o CLICKS loan periods were decided
 - o Presentations on Information Literacy were given

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

- Report from the Council of Chiefs Meeting on September 11, 2006. Highlights included:
- Chiefs are concerned about the functionality of re-assignment leave; currently not receiving funds for Adjuncts to cover time.
 - Chief Jones recommended a federated search tool.
 - CLICKS stats not uniform- interested in comparing stats across CUNY, Stats are good; some libraries are still not promoting the service. Some schools still having problems with notices.
 - Information Literacy committee proposed conference- would hold broader interest in other areas of Academia
 - High School task force created; will produce a survey and report of shared concerns with colleges that have high schools on their campuses.
 - Formation of a CUNY-wide IT steering committee to bridge gap between academics and administration.

Treasurer's Report: (E. Sexton)

Balance as of October 5, 2006: \$26383.43. Paid members to date: 53
Last year ran an overall loss of \$3054.35.
Katrina donation was not paid out yet.

Programs and Workshops:

- K. Schlesinger to give talk about Library services in Vietnam.
- Digital Projects within CUNY Libraries November 10th at Baruch. Program showcasing projects around CUNY
- December Membership meeting Dec. 8th. ALA President Leslie Burger will speak on Transformation and Communities. In lieu of honorarium requests a donation be made to an ALA fund. Still confirming space location.
- LACUNY Institute- May 18th, 2007 at Baruch. "Technology with a face: high tech meets high touch." Baruch will be charging us a fee again this year. Institute planning committee will meet again Thursday morning.

Committee Reports:

- **Instruction-** Planning spring program. Next meeting October 13th. Event on September 15th was successful, had excellent speakers
- **Legislative Action-** Is there an immediate need for committee? Additional interest in involvement with committee? Possibly re-configure as a task force and charge with issues; awareness issues, advocacy. Tweak mission statement, turn mission in to one more of advocacy. Will discuss at next Council meeting.
- **Professional Development-** September 21st sponsored program on PSC CUNY Grants. Deadline Oct. 16th for Grants.

Publications:

- **LACUNY Directory**- new version posted to LACUNY website; paper version will come out in a few weeks.
- **News from CUNY Libraries** – Deadline for submissions Nov 17th. Articles sought for activities, publications, and presentations for new issue. Send submissions to madams@gc.cuny.edu
- **Urban Library Journal** –Pushing back issue, 1st issue will go on-line in the winter; will be on-line only from now on. Planning to post old issues as permissions come in. Web format still needs work. Middle of December is the new target date for next issue to come out. Persons with ideas for taking advantage of the new online only format should contact the editors- B. Evans and M. Corpus.
LACUNY Blog- now up and running- bios of regular posters are up; have had some nice discussions going- Check it out!

Roundtables:

- **Archives and Special Collections**- meeting at John Jay
- **Cataloging**- Met on Oct. 12th presentation on FRBR.
- **Collection Development**- Thursday Oct. 12th at Baruch
- **InterLibrary Loan**- Tuesday Oct. 10th 2:30-4 at Baruch
- **Multicultural and Diversity**- have not met yet, planning program for spring
- **Multimedia**- called a meeting
- **Reference**- had meeting
- **Serials**- Wednesday Oct. 11th
- **Web Management**- met

Old Business:

- Executive Council voted to donate \$2000 to ALA fund for the Katrina contribution- L. Finder is requesting that we reduce amount to \$500. Anticipating a lot of expenditures this year, seems like a large amount to contribute. Welcomed discussion. E. Sexton was willing to re-consider amount of donation- \$2000 is 8% of our total budget- \$500 is more like 2%. Discussion ensued.
L. Ellis made a **Motion**: move to change ALA contribution to \$1000.
Vote: 13 in favor; 5 opposed; 1 abstention. (2/3 of quorum needed for motion to pass) motion passed.
E. Sexton made a **Motion**: to give ALA President the check for the Contribution when she addressed LACUNY membership meeting in December
A. Leonard suggested that the Budget Committee look into donating 2-5% annually to Library charities. - will table for discussion in November.

New Business:

- L. Finder made a **Motion**: to donate \$200 to ALA fund in lieu of honorarium for December membership meeting. Motion passed
- L. Ellis brought up the LACUNY Support Staff RT at the Chief's meeting. Went into executive session to discuss. They had some concerns they did not want to voice publicly. Supporting the staff that keep the libraries going is important. They do not currently have a forum, and it's something they are interested in. Professional development for support staff is important.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:20 PM.

The next LACUNY Executive Council meeting will be held on Friday, November 3, 2006 at 2:30 PM at the John Jay College Conference Room (Room 610).