

**Minutes of the LACUNY Executive Council Meeting
Friday, October 17, 2008
Graduate Center Room 8400**

Present:

Danielle Becker (HC), Joseph Deodato (CSI), Daisy Domínguez (CC), Beth Evans (BC), Maria Isabel Fernandes (QBC), Jane Fitzpatrick (GC), Harold Gee (Baruch), Dalia Leonardo (GC), Jeffrey Kroessler (JJ), Jin Ma (BB), Karen Mason (MC), Steve Ovadia (LG), Inna Shpilko (QC), Junior Tidal (NY), Betsy Tompkins (KB), Ed Wallace (LC)

Not Represented:

BMCC; Bronx Community College, Central, CUNY Law School, Hostos, Queens Library School, York

Meeting called to order at 3:00pm.

Acceptance of Agenda and Minutes of September 12, 2008

President's Report

- Secretary will be away for the next meeting; **Joseph Deodato** graciously volunteered to take the November 14 Minutes.
- **Jane Fitzpatrick** will be the LACUNY representative at **SUNYLA** meetings.
- **LACUNY Institute**: total registration so far is 59; our capacity is 150. Still plenty of room. LACUNY is co-presenting with NYPL with the financial support of NY Library Club, EBSCO and Springer. LACUNY Institute postcards with attached LACUNY membership forms were handed out; president asked that Delegates distribute them to faculty and staff at their campuses. Majora Carter, MacArthur Genius Fellow, will be the morning keynote speaker.
- **Dalia Leonardo** to replace **Mark Padnos** on the **Constitution and By-Laws Committee**.
- The **Scholarship and Awards Committee** is currently in flux. Maria Isabel moved to leave the decision to award **Majora Carter** a Certificate of Recognition of Service to LACUNY by a Non-Librarian to the Executive Council which unanimously approved.
- Discussion Item: Changing adjuncts to the category of associate members from full members and thus getting a reduced membership rate. **Motion to offer adjuncts reduced rates dues went through.** Before a vote could be taken, someone suggested that we consider offering more programming for adjuncts because that – and not the membership due amount – might be the reason why they are not joining. All but one delegate voted to table the motion. **Motion tabled.**
- Discussion Item: Forming a **Membership Committee**, whose functions would be to: recruit membership on all levels to LACUNY by working with delegates to the Executive Council, chief librarians and other individuals likely to be helpful in introducing the organization to those who are eligible to join; evaluate member needs and expectations; encourage member participation on committees and roundtables; develop promotional material about the organization; re-assess membership levels as appropriate and work with other committees and roundtables as appropriate. The Executive Council discussed the desire to create a **pamphlet to promote LACUNY**. Betsy Tompkins suggested that both senior and new members be involved and that we should begin to route the LACUNY membership form (which notes members' interests) so that the potential Membership Committee would reach out to these members. Beth Evans noted that potential members associate membership with the dues and not with what LACUNY is offering them. Evans asked Executive Council to canvas campus librarians to see who might be interested. Inna Shpilko suggested that the name of this committee be: the **Marketing Committee**; Deodato suggested **Outreach Committee**. Daisy Dominguez motioned to create an **Ad Hoc Outreach Committee** and this was **approved unanimously**.

- **Mark your calendars for winter membership meeting at Brooklyn College, in the afternoon of December 12.** A rich and varied program called the **Enriched Librarian**, an event about peoples' avocations and how they bring that into librarianship.

Vice President's Report

- A report on the Council of Chiefs meeting was given.

Treasurer's Report

- Both **budget votes** - to approve the LACUNY Institute budget and the budget for the Web Team to move the LACUNY web site to a commercial provider - **were approved.**
- The Budget Committee will be putting a **cap of \$125 for the year for all committee and roundtable refreshment requests.**
- **Closing balance** as of September 11, 2008: **\$16,899**

Committee Reports and Announcements

- **Legislative Action:** Jeffrey Kroessler will serve on this Committee.
- **Professional Development Committee:** PSC-CUNY held a grants workshop on September 18.
- **Instruction Committee:** First meeting held on Monday, September 22. The next meeting will be on December 12 before the winter membership meeting.
- **Reserves Roundtable:** Held its meeting on Friday, September 26. Chair, Kathleen Collins, is happy to report that this group is going strong and had a very dynamic and pragmatic meeting. Dean Bryan joined them which "was great because we had the ear of an OLS person without even asking!"
- **Emerging Technologies:** Next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 19, 10am-12pm, CUNY Grad Center, Room 6418 and will discuss Google Chrome, Google Docs, and the Explosion of Cloud Computing.
- **Multicultural and Diversity Roundtable:** Next meeting will be a tour of the Center for Puerto Rican Studies at Hunter College on Thursday, November 20. For more information, contact C0-chairs, Tess Tobin (NY) or Geraldine Herbert (BCC).
- **Publications:**
 - **News From CUNY Libraries:** Co-Editor, Michael Adams (madams@gc.cuny.edu), recently posted a call for items for the fall issue which has a November 24 deadline. Please send items about appointments, awards, degrees earned, exhibitions, grants received, panel discussions, presentations of papers, promotions, publications (other than reviews), retirements, workshops (outside normal duties), and announcements of any other professional achievements occurring through December 31. Accounts of any LACUNY activities are also needed. Please provide URLs, when appropriate. We are especially interested in personal essays describing your lives as librarians. What has been especially fulfilling about your work? What obstacles have you overcome? Do you have interesting anecdotes to relate? If you have digital photographs of any LACUNY event or any event of interest to LACUNY, please provide them. Past issues of News from CUNY Libraries can be found at <http://lacuny.cuny.edu/news> **Consider sending a colleague's news if you are too shy to send your own!**

Meeting adjourned at 4:10pm.