MINUTES OF THE LACUNY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING  
Friday, February 3, 2006  
John Jay College, Library Conference Room

Present:  
Dawn Amsberry (LG), Jocelyn Berger-Barrera (BC), Sheila Beck (QB), Amanda Bielskas (BM), William Casari (Hostos), Martha Corpus (BC), Nancy Egan (JJ), Lisa Finder (HC), Jane Fitzpatrick (GC), William (City), Ronnie Gomez (QC), LaRoi Lawton (BCC), Anne Leonard (NYCCT), Karl Madden (SI), Madeleine Nash (KCC), Mark Padnos (BCC), Inna Shpilko (QC), Ellen Sexton (JJ), Ed Wallace (Lehman), Danesh Yazdani (ME), Lauren Yannotta (HC).  
Ex officio: Curtis Kendrick (Central Office)

Not Represented:  
Baruch, Central Office, Centro de Estudios Puertorriquenos, CUNY Law School at Queens College, Graduate School of Library and Information Studies, York.

Acceptance of agenda. Minutes of November 4, 2005 meeting were approved with corrections.

President’s Report: (L. Lawton)  
- L. Lawton explained his unavoidable absence at the December 9th LACUNY membership meeting, he thanked L. Finder for filling in for him. He also explained that he will be on medical leave in April.  
- L. Lawton welcomed C. Kendrick to the meeting as an ex-officio member of the LACUNY Executive Council. C. Kendrick thanked LACUNY for the invitation to attend the meetings and said this was a good avenue for us to exchange ideas.

Vice-President’s Report: (L. Finder)  
A report summarizing the December 12, 2005 Council of Chiefs Meeting was submitted. Highlights included:  
- Information Literacy tutorial is on the LILAC website.  
- C. Kendrick reported on the On-line degree at the School of Professional Studies budget for on-line resources. The Librarian for the School of Journalism will report to the Dean of the School.  
- Patron initiated borrowing was discussed. Working on price quotes for delivery service.  
- Discussion over how schools support the High Schools on their campuses.  
- QCC Chief Librarian K. Kim retired in January.

Treasurer’s Report: (E. Sexton)  
Income from ULJ from EBSCO $165.00. Have 208 full paid members to date. Balance as of February 3, 2005: $32,077.27.

Nominations Committee: Appointments needed for 4 individuals from 4 colleges. Need to elect a slate for the position of LACUNY Vice President/President elect. L. Lawton nominated W. Gibbons, R. Gomez, and A. Leonard- who accepted the appointments. W. Casari was nominated, and wanted time to think over accepting the position.

Programs and Workshops:  
- LACUNY Dialogues 1/18/06 10am-12 @ LaGuardia. An annual event: a Town Hall meeting. Event went well.  
- Reference Roundtable presents: Wikis as a Referent Tool: a hands-on workshop. March 3, 2006 2-4pm. $65 budget request approved by the Budget Committee.  
- LACUNY Institute will be held at Baruch on May 19, 2006. “Information Commons: Are we all things to all People?” Website is up; early registration will end March 1st.  
- Spring Membership meeting tentatively scheduled for June 9th @BMCC if space is available. Subject will possibly be on Streaming Videos from ERes.
Committee Reports: Committees should have at least one meeting a semester.

- **Emerging Technologies**: W. Gibbons and S. Richards will try to hold a workshop in the spring. Will also consider hosting a break-out session at Institute.
- **Library Instruction**: No report.
- **Legislative Action**: No report.
- **Professional Development**: Grant deadline was Wednesday, they got 14 proposals and will be meeting next week to select Awardees. Spring event April 28th at Baruch. Speaker will be from Rutgers Library School on Professional Development. Will be submitting a budget request.
- **Publications**
  - **LACUNY Directory** – Indexing Directory- G. Thorsen (QB). Let L. Lawton know ASAP if there are any changes, promotions, etc. want a hard copy for distribution at the Institute.
  - **News from CUNY Libraries** – Please get submissions to M. Adams at: madams@gc.cuny.edu by April 24th.
  - **Urban Library Journal** – Only got transcriptions this week there are printing issues, should be print and on-line. Question about the Institute Archives. S. Van Nort manages the LACUNY Archives at City College. EBSCO has indexed ULJ and it will be in one of their smaller databases.

Roundtables:

- **Acquisitions**- No report.
- **Archives & Special Collections**- Meeting upcoming.
- **Cataloging** – Will meet after new version of CUNY+ is complete.
- **Disability Services**- Held a meeting. Re-elected co-chairs. Next meeting Feb. 10th.
- **Inter-Library Loan**- Next meeting February 21st.
- **Multicultural and Diversity** – meeting next Friday at City Tech.
- **Multimedia**- L. Lawton hopes for a meeting and hopes to have something for the Spring Membership meeting.
- **Reference**- Workshop Scheduled Wikis. Will be hands-on with seats for 25 people at the most.
- **Serials**- Have not met yet- maybe in March.
- **Web Management**- No report.

LACUNY Web Team- No report.

Old Business:

- Hurricane relief discussion: Worry over the use of funds at a specific school, especially if some will be forced to close. Consensus was to donate to the general ALA relief fund, as we have the funds and the need is now. M. Laskin (Hostos) may be going to the ALA conference, may have her present check at that time. Motion to: Contribute $2000 to the ALA fund for Katrina relief. 1 Abstention, all the rest in favor- motion accepted.

New Business:

- Vote on Serials Roundtable moving to LACUNY. Agreed would like to become part of LACUNY. Motion: To move the Serials Roundtable to LACUNY. All in favor- motion accepted.
- Key Foundation Grant Proposal- R. Ormsby from Baruch asked L. Lawton to write a Letter of Support for a grant project they are working on that will help incoming CUNY freshman learn how to manage money. CUNY Libraries and LACUNY may serve as distribution point for CD-Rom product. If there were no objections L. Lawton will give Baruch letter of support.
- C. Kendrick spoke on a few topics including:
  - CUNY Libraries need to do more work to demonstrate to senior administration the Library’s value to CUNY, to more widely market our value outside the Library. We are in the best place to know what is going on.
  - Question about Adjunct Librarians does LACUNY do anything to support the Adjunct community? It would be an idea to bring that constituency together. Concern over being divisive, also a matter of funding. Adjuncts are not likely to be paid to attend, would attend on their own time, for their own benefit.
- L. Lawton meeting with M. Arena of CUNY Media Relations to get LACUNY on the CUNY-wide events page on the CUNY Portal. CUNY has an interest in what Librarians are doing, and how important we are to the University.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:45 PM.
The next LACUNY Executive Council meeting will be held on Friday, March 10, 2006 at 2:30 PM at the John Jay College Conference Room (Room 610).