

December 12, 2002, 5:00 p.m.

Executive Meeting of the McGill University Student Chapter of the CLA

Present: Ruiling Guo, President
Michelle Atkin, Vice-President
Edward Zitko, Treasurer/Secretary
Shannon Hodge, External Liaison

Absent: Bonnie Goodman, President-elect

1. Activities for 2003: The President began by discussing the planned activities for next year such as the proposed bus tour in the spring to Ottawa. It was decided that an email message would be sent to students in the new year and a signup sheet posted to gauge interest in a visit to a major public library such as the National Library, at the same time looking into details of types of tours, duration and travel arrangements. The planning for the Career fair to be held next February, sponsored by the chapter, was discussed with the need of the External liaison, in assuming the duties that the graduating VP had informally performed, in meeting with MLISSA External and CAPS representatives concerning ongoing details. The creation of a chapter web site was agreed upon to be completed before the spring.
2. Visit of CLA President and Executive Director on January 10, 2003: Detailed arrangements for the planned visit to the school by CLA President Wendy Newman and Executive Director Don Butcher was discussed, and a decision was made to inform students by email the first week in January, and to create a supplemental list of topics that could be discussed at the meeting to be submitted by email to CLA Ottawa.
3. Departing Vice-President: The President presented Vice President Michelle Atkin, on behalf of the chapter, a gift, in gratitude of her contributions in the founding of the chapter and wished her well upon her graduation from the school and the start of her internship in the new year.
4. The meeting adjourned at 6 p.m.
5. Ruiling Guo, President of the CLA McGill student chapter thanked the speakers and called for questions. Ms. Newman and Mr. Butcher briefly addressed questions of aging professionals, encouraging "personal advocacy", diversity in the profession, and that despite the decline in the need for cataloguing and abstracting and indexing professionals, these skill sets, particularly the latter, are extremely valuable in reference work and to summarize today's multitude of information. The President thanked the audience for attending and adjourned the meeting.