

**MLISSA Executive Meeting
Agenda
February 16, 2009 @ 12:00pm
Room 310, 3661 Peel**

Call to order at 12:04pm

Present: Aude McDermott (President), Sarah Paulson (VP Internal), Marsha Taichman (Secretary), Cailinn Burns (Chief Returning Officer), Erica Welch (Treasurer), Anne Hill (Curriculum Comm Rep I), Victoria Gzebb (Publications Comm Chair), Aaron Rosenblum (Curriculum Comm Rep II), Marni Tam (PhD. Rep).

President Report

- Departmental meeting
 - MLIS accreditation was renewed: Two comments were made: 1) More faculty involvement would be necessary and 2) the building accessibility must be addressed.
 - Two new teaching positions have been made and 37 applications have been received – the selection committee will need a MLISSA member.
 - Increased in MLIS and PhD applications this year (due April 1, 2010)
 - Ed talked about the SIS computer lab which opened this past January 4, and more users are encouraged...it is staffed on the weekend by 2 MLIS work study students. A stapler was added. It is currently open to all graduate students in Education as well, and in the future they will do advertizing. Ed's next project is reviewing/revising the SIS website.
 - March 17 – Graduate symposium. There have been low registration rates, especially from PhD students.
 - Museology to be a regular course during the Fall/Winter terms if approved by APC meeting in March.
 - Faculty of Education wants to experiment for extending the course evaluation period, which is fine with SIS.
- Ottawa trip, February 26 – Library and Archives Canada preservation centre, Parliament library, Ottawa Public Library.

Treasurer Report

- \$2010.14 left in fiscal budget, still some expenses anticipated

CRO Report

- There have been 3 nominations for MLISSA positions for next year
- Committee will need more people, including a president
- First years should solicit nominations
- Other than MLIS I rep., all positions can be filed with current first years

Professional Association Liaison Report (report given by Aude)

- Career Fair has a new sponsor donating about \$2000.
- Website is up and participants can register now.

Curriculum Committee Rep Report

- Curriculum committee representatives presented their findings from talking to fellow students.
- Co-op/paid practicum discussed – France mentioned legal requirements and that 6 librarianship practicums this year went unfilled (possibly people were daunted by not knowing French, was suggested) – future curriculum committee will have to keep on this, but we still have March and April this year.
- PhD comprehensives were discussed.
- Research forms must be revised (Aaron, Kim Dalkir and Joan Bartlett are involved with this).

Internet Communications Report (report given by Aude)

- Trying to keep up with updates from Education and SIS each week via email, Wiki, Facebook.
- Promoting Career Fair.
- Working on new MLISSA logo.

Publications Report Social Affairs Report

- The Marginal needs to be more consistent in its publication.
- Must solicit students for articles.
- No one at meeting went to the training session – could Alanna post the information?
- Tori asked if the name of the magazine could be changed.

Social Affairs Committee Chairperson Report (report given by Aude)

- The Spring Fling is tentatively scheduled for April 9 after classes end, the school has no money so it is all us.

PhD. Report

- Comprehensives
- Symposium
- Get-together for PhDs has not happened

Other business

- Aude proposed budgetary changes: increase in grant budget and spring fling budget.
- **LWB grant** – approved unanimously
- **Ottawa trip grant**– approved unanimously
- **ACA grant**– approved unanimously
- Marsha Taichman showed great interest in being on the selection committee and was approved unanimously.

Adjournment at 12:50pm