

MLISSA Executive Meeting
Monday, February 5th, 2007
4:45-6:00pm
MS 24

1. Call to Order 4:47

Absent: Peter, Melissa, Brenda, Maya

2. President Report

difficulties with the events she is attempting to coordinate,

- Little response to conference skills building workshop, and respondents too busy
- Put out call for suggestions

Logo contest

- develop voting system, uncertain of the usability of logo entries
- Wants to discuss posting entries online with Peter
- Ahniwa suggests putting poll on website to encourage people to sign up for site

Martina mentions website related issues

- email from Fiona/Kathryn about putting things on GSLIS website for career fair, Fiona has a space for MLISSA website if we want one
- KRISTA has had discussion with Fiona, not sure if she's explained confusing story well enough. We have decided an independent website is better, school unsure
- AHNIWA discussed this at dept meeting, understand having it on school site
- MARTINA Not sure if it can be addressed right now, a decision needs to be made
- Space exists on the GSLIS system if we want it
- TANIA Suggests must be better on GSLIS system because they're transitioning web site and if it's there it will not be erased
- KRISTA suggests – AHNIWA, PETER, KRISTA, Fiona get together and get story straight – They will continue this on their own initiative
- MARTINA will send files to Krista, AHNIWA, PETER and they will take care of it

3. VP-Internal Report

AHNIWA went to dept meetingg, 2 weeks ago

- New U of O director will start 8th Cdn library school Fall 2008 - director Bonim,
 - start in French. Then bilingual
 - not lib focus, maybe museum studies
 - Hard to hire new faculty as lib schools expanding
 - No provincial funding at U of Alberta library school
- Move from here to Ed building – will happen quickly
 - KRISTA thought Sara's email explaining = good
- AHNIWA discussed release of grades dates as people have complained about the lateness of their release

- cannot release grades before certain point some dept Sara release later than we do, have to deal with the Martina
- Discussion of concerns relating to this for students
- Also discussed website

4. VP-External Report

DANELLE didn't make it to the meeting

Made Contact List for Winter 2007

- good activity for VP external, make it part of that position

5. Treasurer Report

Current balance: \$1482.92

- SLA received cheque, will bring down to 100 less...paying for ballroom for end of term

Fees

- are we collecting fees from winter students? – No, they will pay in the Fall
- discussion about including fees in Red Book
- Email was received re: PGSS collecting our fees for us, confusion as we were told this was impossible
- JENNIFER says that part time people who complain pay \$5
- Are we charging people who haven't paid their fees who come to the party?
 - After brief discussion, party fees tabled for later

6. PGSS Report

Feb 7 is Day of Action to protest tuition fees going up, CFS (Canadian Federation of Students) run,

- meet at College gates
- Discussion of fees, Quebec tuition is frozen
- AHNIWA points out that the school runs a deficit of 17 million and tuition growth might have prevented that

Hemo Quebec issue came up again at meeting

- SSMU have banned blood drives in student spaces, faculty buildings okay
- Issue sent to committee, okay on campus but not in student space

Health plans...second dental and health option chosen, will be better for people who need more things dealt with

Martina's grant is approved

Trudi Wright is the new PGSS archivist

- KRISTA suggests this go on PGSS email
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7. EGSS Report

SARA fellowships approved, available this spring

- One is Professional leadership award \$500,
- MLIS I students can apply – kind of aimed at MLIS, she's been tailoring criteria to professional programme

Conference plans going well

- 100+ presenters, registration is open at website, free tote bags
- GSLIS move, sent out emails on subject
- Open meeting for education students this fri at 2pm ed 629 – chance for students to see what’s going on, discuss what’s going on, chance for students to state opinions
 - JENNIFER asks the opinion of ed students, they like it, they’re acquiring new buildings
 - KRISTA asks if one building is for faculty offices, S says possibly...one building for this, GSLIS staff in other place, less centralized
 - SARA need to be centralized, current location is good, library and archives are here, helps generate sense of solidarity – people didn’t like at meeting, sense that we have isolation not solidarity
 - KRISTA notes that this the first time they seem to have noticed
 - Feb 28 is next faculty meeting
 - SARA requests that MLIS I students join the meeting
 - Suggest talking to part timers, and winter entants
 - SARA will send out another email

8. Curriculum Committee Report

TANIA attened Friday meeting

- 2 hrs of arguing over practicum, new report, comprehensive, come up with the course description
 - Changes in prereqs, co-ordinators, timing (summer might be possible), length
- Database course was approved, moved out of spec topics into official course
- Restructure requirements for degree, add more courses to list of complementary courses, to be revised, more options for those who are still here

9. Professional Association Liaison Report

Career fair

- same attendees as last year, unsure of #, 10 -11 orgs, we will beef up with professional associations
- talked to KM organizations, lot of rejections, all think it is a job fair not career fair
- Call out for Posters...will send email, KRISTA might help, Webpage up, CAPS will put together list
- Start reminders

CV workshop for 13th of Feb,

- Janice Tester will come again
- Request for suggestions

10. Publication Committee Report – In Absentia

Less response for this issue of marginal than last

- Posted Jan 25th, and copy in the lab
- One more issue this year March

12. Social Affairs Report

Year End Party

- B. tried to find cool venue...no success, have it at Thomson House,
- can have on the 7th of April at Thomson House,
- must pay (\$350) for that as Thomson House normally closed on Saturdays
- TANIA said there is a request for Billiards room to be open
- Discussion over finding a DJ and caterer

JENNIFER asked if there will be any break activities

- Discussed bowling, maybe once during and once not during break

13. CRO Report

Spring elections

- nominations meeting Mar 7, nomination period Mar 12 – 15th, posted candidates Friday to Tuesday, polling Wed March 22
- Wed is not good, day for nominations meeting,
- discussion...rescheduled for Mar 8th

14. ACA Report

Valentine's Day bake sale 13-14

Speakers lined up...dir McGill archives

Trying for tours

T-shirt design contest –please submit, open til 14th

15. SLA Report

Tour of Goethe institute, 9 went, went well

5 a 7 next Thursday great list of professionals, from Montreal and Ottawa...people from Concordia, and U de Montreal

16. CLA Report

5 a 7 tomorrow, lunch time talk tomorrow as well

Career discussion group meeting next Tuesday...can reschedule easy...and will

17. New Business

Use MLISSA calendar, overlapping of events, on Google

- TANIA says having clash over scheduling, Google for our use

DANELLE good to have MLISSA binder with descriptions of each of the roles in there so that roles carry over from year to year, transfer of knowledge

discussion of awards for party door prizes

Setting next two meetings

- Monday March 5th, 12:00 pm;
- Monday April 2nd, 12:00 pm...Also Ahniwa's birthday

18. Adjournment 5:49