

Spring 2004 Meeting Minutes

Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art, Saint Joseph, MO

June 11, 2004

The business meeting was called to order by Rachel Crane, chair, at 9:00 a.m. Rachel welcomed all Central Plains members and thanked Susan Craig for organizing the meeting.

Reports

Minutes: MSC to approve the minutes of the fall 2003 meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report: M. J. Poehler reported that a total of \$920.90 was in the chapter account as of May 31, 2004. MSC to approve the treasurer's report. M. J. reported that 12 individuals have paid annual CP Chapter dues in 2004, in addition to 4 individuals who are lifetime members, bringing the current CP membership to 16. M. J. was expecting to collect additional chapter dues after the meeting concluded.

ARLIS/NA Regional Representative's Report: Suzy Frechette, Midwest Regional Representative, reported to the group on ARLIS/NA executive board news. There were over 800 registered participants for the ARLIS annual conference in New York in April, the largest ever. Future annual conferences are planned for Houston in 2005, Banff in 2006, and Atlanta in 2007. The moratorium on establishing Round Tables has been lifted, and two new Round Tables created: Book Arts and Public Libraries. Maximum enrollment was quickly reached in the Summer Educational Institute for Visual Resources and Image Management, a cooperative venture with the Visual Resources Association, to be held at Duke University in July. The institute appears to be financially successful. The total membership of ARLIS NA now totals 1119. The Strategic Plan Task Force is beginning the process of updating the ARLIS NA strategic plan. The task force has distributed a questionnaire via ARLIS-L to members for early input into the planning process.

Old Business

Nominating Committee: Ellen Petraits and Clare Vasquez volunteered to serve as committee members. They will be looking for nominees for vice-chair for 2005, secretary-treasurer for 2005-2006, and newsletter editor.

Joint Meeting with Mountain West: Chapter Rachel Crane reports that the Mountain West chapter is receptive to holding a joint meeting with Central Plains in Santa Fe, NM. The earliest opportunity would be October, 2005. Rachel has been communicating with MW chapter officers and Marilyn Russell on planning. MJ reported that Marilyn has reserved rooms at the Inn of the Governors for MW chapter for the possible joint meeting for October 27 – 30, 2005. More rooms can be added if needed. In anticipation of the possible joint meeting, a special funding application for budget year 2005 has

been submitted to ARLIS/NA by Rachel Crane, seeking financial support for the meeting. Eumie Imm-Stroukoff of MW chapter filed a similar application. MW members are working on programming, which will include time at Georgia O’Keeffe Museum and Research Center as well as the Institute of American Indian Arts. A registration fee in the neighborhood of \$60.00 has been discussed; nothing definite yet. After discussion, a motion to hold the Central Plains fall, 2005, meeting in conjunction with Mountain West chapter in Santa Fe was seconded and carried by majority vote.

Chapter Web Page: Susan Bobo is working on getting the Central Plains web site online. It will be hosted at her institution, Oklahoma State University. Susan was not in attendance at the meeting, but reports through Rachel that she hopes the web site will go public within the month.

New Business

Fall Meeting, 2004: Rachel reported that Susan Bobo has volunteered to host the fall meeting in Oklahoma City and has done some preliminary planning for programming. The consensus of members is to meet there in October, leaving the exact dates open and to be determined by availability of venue and programming. Susan is asked to communicate the dates to members as soon as possible so that individuals can plan accordingly.

Upcoming Meetings: Casey Kralik of the Joslyn Art Museum in Omaha agreed to plan for the spring, 2005, meeting in Omaha, since the group has been wanting to meet in Nebraska for some time. Kay Logan-Peters volunteered to assist Casey with planning.

Midstates Chapter Bid: Rachel reported that she has heard from Terrie L. Wilson of ARLIS-Midstates about that chapter’s interest in hosting the 2008 ARLIS-NA conference in Indianapolis. Midstates chapter seeks the endorsement of ARLIS-CP on this effort. The consensus of the membership is that we support their bid to host the 2008 conference.

Announcements: Merry Bower of Kansas State University announced that KSU is seeking applicants for a new Visual Arts Librarian position. Merry distributed copies of the position announcement.

Respectfully submitted,
M. J. Poehler, Secretary/Treasurer