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Minutes of the LACUNY Executive Council Meeting  
Friday, October 19, 2006  
John Jay Library Conference Room

**Present:**  
Michael S. Borries (Central), Ching-Jung Chen (CC), Jill Cirasella (BC), José Díaz (Hostos), Daisy Domínguez (CC), Lisa Ellis (Baruch), Beth Evans (BC), Maria Fernandes (QB), Jane Fitzpatrick (GC), Harold Gee (Baruch), Ronnie Gómez (QC), Tim Hasin (SI), Jeffrey Kroessler (JJ), Anne Leonard (NY), Karen Mason (ME), Mark Padnos (BCC), Alexandra Rojas (LG), Ellen Sexton (JJ), Di Su (York), Betsy Tompkins (KCC), Ed Wallace (LC), Lauren Yannotta (HC)

**Not represented:**  
BMCC; CUNY Law School, Queens Library School

Meeting called to order 2:34pm

Acceptance of agenda and Minutes of September 7, 2007 meeting approved.

**President’s Report (Lisa Ellis)**

- Appointment of Lisa Finder, Co-Editor of ULJ – Brian Lym has left Hunter for Memorial Sloan Kettering. Position once again vacant. Lisa Finder has agreed to serve as co-editor. Approved by vote.
  - **Tentative Tiered Pricing:**
    - Early bird registration – before February 15, 2008:
      - $40 for 1 event; $70 for 2 events; $90 for 3 events
    - After deadline:
      - $45 each event for members, $50 for non-LACUNY members and $25 students. For the 3rd event, income would be split between LACUNY and Information Ethics Roundtable.
  - **Budget Concerns**
    - Some discussion about high cost versus the reality that registration does not pay half the cost of the Institute; last year, more than half was to rent the space and to provide lunch. We anticipate lunch being included. Possibility of having lunch sponsored. Concern over cost.
  - **3 Events**
    - 1st part day event: March 14, 2008 - **International Libraries & Librarians**, Chair is Eva Dimova. Venue: Brooklyn College.
    - 2nd part day event: April 11, 2008 - **The Greening of Libraries**, Chairs: Clay Williams from Hunter and Jennifer King (Science Librarian) at Lehman. Venue: The Little Theatre at LGA. At summer 2007 Library Camp, a METRO special interest group on this topic was created. Efforts w/digital media to cut down on paper; disaster planning; library design; ACRL 2008 has it listed as a track.
    - 3rd all day event: May 9, 2008 – in conjunction with **Information Ethics Roundtable** coordinated by Tony Doyle. Chairs: Hal Grossman from Hunter and Stephanie Walker from Brooklyn College. Venue: Hunter College School of Social Work
**Vice President’s Report (Beth Evans)**

A report summarizing the Council of Chief Librarians meeting of October 15 was submitted.

**Treasurer’s Report (Ellen Sexton)**

Very little activity except for membership of 68

**Old Business**

- **Information Ethics Roundtable** as presented by Tony Doyle and seeking LACUNY co-sponsorship. Previous roundtables have centered on Censorship, Privacy; Intellectual Property; Secrecy; Indigenous Knowledge and Cultural Property. This year, the general topic is Information Ethics and its Applications. Keynote speaker: Luciano Floridi. Topics such as philosophy: what is information and ethics of open source software. 100 last year; in previous years, 40-50. In the past, no registration fee. Discussion as to whether we need to charge and whether anyone should go free. Need figure out if the pricing schedule works, defray the cost of lunch by charging registration for only those eating lunch, Tony wants to give all speakers honorarium. Ideally $500 to keynote, $400 to each speaker, $200 to commentators Roughly $2,000 in terms of honorarium. LACUNY agreed to $1,500 for official co-sponsorship with marketing with 1 abstention.

**New Business**

- **Budget Committee recommendations**
  - Increase in membership dues for 2008-2009 academic year
    - Last time they were increased in 2003: $15 → $20 for library faculty and that year associate members allowed in. **Motion to increase dues** from $20 → $25 for full members and leave at $10 for associate members was unanimously approved.
  - **Limiting Professional Development Travel Grants** (1 for $500) and School Scholarship (1 for $500) was unanimously approved.
- **December membership meeting**: 12/14, Venue: Hunter School of Social Work. Laroi Lawton from Bronx Community College will present on history of LACUNY based on PSC-CUNY grant he received and Pat Young will be honored.
- **LACUNY Dialogues**- will discuss ideas for coordinating this event with the founder, Chief Kenneth Schlesinger.

**Programs**

- **Emerging Technologies Committee** event: “Linux and Ubuntu for Librarians” by Dave Shields, Program Director of Open Source Software at IBM to be held at City College Library (Rm 1/340), Friday, November 16, 2007 10am-12pm

**Committee Reports**

- **Instruction** – nothing to report.
- **Professional Development** – Thursday, 12/6 afternoon meeting to welcome new members, Possible venue: Baruch Library.
- **Publications**
  - **News from CUNY Libraries** – Please highlight at your events for upcoming November 28 deadline.
  - **Urban Library Journal** – nothing to report.
- **LACUNY Blog** to be hosted by Wordpress

**Roundtables**

- **Collection Development** – A report summarizing the 10/17 meeting was read.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05pm.