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MINUTES OF THE LACUNY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 2004
JOHN JAY COLLEGE, ROOM 610

PRESENT:
R. Ormsby (BB), M. Corpus (BC), M. Borries (CO), R. Laurich, S. Van Nort (CC), L. Roccos (SI), S. Johnston (GC), M. Laskin (HO), M.-L. Hom (HC), N. Egan (JJ), K. Schlesinger (LG), E. Wallace (LE), K. Muchowski (NY), R. Gomez (QC), S. Beck (QB)

NOT REPRESENTED:
Borough of Manhattan Community College, Bronx Community College, CUNY Law School at Queens College, Kingsborough Community College, Medgar Evers College, Queens College Graduate School of Library & Information Studies, and York College

Acceptance of agenda.

Acceptance of February 6, 2004 minutes with changes.

Announcements: (Linda Roccos)
June 11th LACUNY Membership Meeting speaker will be Janey Chow who will speak regarding practical library grant projects that can be funded by METRO or other institutional grants sources. Alternate programs were suggested, including a possible presentation by two LACUNY members regarding the results of their research concerning information literacy compiled during their Professional Development Leave. This could become the basis for a panel program with Janey Chow. Another alternate program concerning the new cataloging standards in a digital preservation environment could be held at the Winter Membership Meeting or a Meeting of the Cataloguing Roundtable.
The Performing Arts Center next to the Library of the College of Staten Island has been reserved for the program because the Library is being renovated.
The proposed presentation by Sheau-yueh (Janey) Chow regarding practical library grant projects at the Spring Membership Meeting was accepted by the Executive Committee.

Vice-President’s Report (Kenneth Schlesinger)
K. Schlesinger reported on two previous meetings of the Council of Chief Librarians. Summary reports of the February 9, 2004 and the March 8, 2004 meetings were submitted.
At the February 9th meeting the fact that there is no avenue for submission of input into the CUNY Master Plan by the CUNY Libraries was discussed. A four-page document regarding information literacy was submitted to M. Ribaudo by the Council.
The access policy regarding students enrolled in the School of Professional Studies at the Graduate Center was discussed.
A new statewide contract with NYSHEI is being negotiated.
The Multimedia Roundtable was approved by the Executive Committee at the meeting on February 6, 2004. The Roundtable will meet on April 2, 2004 in Room 610 at 10:00 AM. The disbanding of the video consortium and the loan procedures for media materials previously delivered via Inter-Library Loan will be discussed.
Most of the Chief Librarians support the extension of the tenure review process to seven years.
At the March 8th meeting the integration of information literacy into the undergraduate program should be approached in partnership with the CUNY Libraries and incorporate recommendations from the Council of Chief’s White Paper on Information Literacy.
The funding support for new and existing faculty at the community colleges needs to be more equitable.
There is an additional allocation for subscription to electronic databases, $1 million the current fiscal year, $600,000 for the next two
years. Concern was expressed regarding continued funds for support of these services.

The search for the University Librarian continues. Placing this individual at the 535 East 80th Street location is a trade-off, but it does allow for the interests of the CUNY libraries to be expressed to the CUNY central administration.

A funding allocation for the community colleges from New York City must be spent by April 30, 2004 for the hiring of new faculty and the purchase of new books. This does not support renovation of office space, purchase of equipment, or support staff funding. The chief librarians do not have input regarding this allocation.

Treasurer’s Report (Ed Wallace)

E. Wallace submitted the report. The current balance is $21,381.01. Four budget requests were submitted this week a) $400.00 for Spring Membership Meeting lunch – approved; b) J Bornstein, Urban Library Journal requested for $2,750.00 for producing a 64-page issue; c) the Legislative Action Committee requested $1,418.37 for visit to Washington Legislation Days, May 2-3, 2004; d) the LACUNY Institute, $5,860.00.

Status Report on Committees:
The Nominating Committee proposed the slate of candidates. There are two candidates for Vice President/President Elect (Richard Uttich, City College and LaRoi Lawton, Bronx Community College) and one candidate each for Treasurer (Ellen Sexton, John Jay College) and Secretary (Sydney Van Nort, City College). The slate of candidates was approved. The Electronic Information Services committee announced their program with Dreamweaver on April 23, 2004 at Brooklyn College. The Committee on Instruction will hold a meeting on April 2nd. Minutes of their previous meeting are posted on the LACUNY website. The Professional Development Committee had a successful program on March 19th.

Publications Committee – the LACUNY Directory will not be issued in the foreseeable future. Data has not been received from two campuses by M. Helgesen. L. Roccis will post the list of the current membership on the LACUNY website. An allocation not to exceed $500.00 was approved for the production cost of the Directory. A previous allocation of $500.00 for assistance has not been spent. J. Bornstein previously submitted a budget request for publishing the next issue of Urban Library Journal that was approved. The Spring issue is in production.

LACUNY Institute

The LACUNY Institute will be held on May 21, 2004 at Baruch College. The next planning meeting is scheduled for April 16, 2004 at 2:00 PM in Baruch College, Room 415. Registration opens next week. There will be two keynote speakers, lunch, and a panel discussion during the afternoon. The budget allocation was approved.

Old Business: None

New Business:

K. Schlesinger proposed a revival of the Archives and Special Collections Roundtable. The proposed date for the first meeting is April 30th at LaGuardia Community College.

Adjourn:
The next meeting of the Executive Council will be September 10th. A motion was entered to adjourn the meeting at 4:05 p.m.