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MINUTES OF THE LACUNY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
Friday, October 7, 2005
John Jay College, Room 610

Present:
Amanda Bielskas (BM), Sheila Beck (QB), Monica Berger (NYCCT), William Casari (HO), Lisa Ellis (Baruch) Jane B. Fitzpatrick (GC), Lisa Finder (HC), William Gibbons (CC), LaRoi Lawton (BX), Karl Madden (SI), Michael Margolis (York), Madelaine Nash (KB), Mark Padnos (BCC), Ellen Sexton (JJ), Inna Shpilko (QC), Ed Wallace (LE), Amy Wolfe (CC), Danesh Yazdani (ME).

Not Represented:
Brooklyn College, Central Office, Centro de Estudios Puertorriquenos, CUNY Law School at Queens College, Queens College Graduate School of Library and Information Studies.

Acceptance of agenda.
Minutes of September 9, 2005 meeting were approved with corrections.

President’s Report: (L. Lawton)
The President’s Report was submitted. Highlights included:
- L. Lawton thanked members of the council for everything accomplished so far.
- New LACUNY membership form has been launched on the LACUNY web page.
- LACUNY Directory will be updated by the end of next week and will include the METRO Codes.
- Attended PSC membership mass meeting on Sept. 29, contract negotiations are still ongoing.
- Members are encouraged to keep abreast of the LILAC initiative see: http://libraries.cuny.edu/lilac.htm
- Still looking for a chair for the LACUNY Institute committee.
- LACUNY Scholarship Fall 2005 has one applicant to date.

Vice-President’s Report: (L. Finder)
A report summarizing the September 12th, 2005 Council of Chiefs Meeting was submitted. Highlights included:
- LILAC working on a web page for IL resources.
- LIBQUAL across campus report is being prepared and should be ready soon.
- Report was given recommending implementation of Patron Initiated Document Delivery service.
- Request received for purchase of ARTStore CUNY wide.

Treasurer’s Report: (E. Sexton)
Thanked members for sending in their dues and membership forms. Income from membership dues received thus far $1740. Balance as of September 9, 2005: $31,400.67.

Programs and Workshops:
- Is Google the Library of the Future? 10/27/05 @BMCC 6-8pm.
- Cascading Style Sheets Workshop 10/21/05 John Jay 2-4pm. Sponsored by Web management roundtable.
- December Membership meeting 12/9/05 @ Hunter Social Work. Possible speakers include: Claudia Perry, Curtis Kendrick, Prof. W. Drew (SUNY). Please let L. Lawton know if you have other suggestions.
- LACUNY Institute will be held at Baruch on May 20, 2006. Food will be in-house this year. Lively discussion over title of Institute ensued. Decided upon: “Information Commons: Are we all things to all People?” Planning committee meeting to be held at Hunter on 10/14/05.

Committee Reports:
- Emerging Technologies: Looking to schedule fall program for November.
- Library Instruction: No report.
- Legislative Action – Thinking about re-defining committee. Re-define to associate with PSC contract possible. Possible spring bus trip w/NYPL to Albany. They have some money to fund trip and we would possible piggyback on that.
- Professional Development – Grants workshop @ Baruch: Went well, about 25 people attended.
- Publications –
  LACUNY Directory – reported on above.
  News from CUNY Libraries – no report.
  Urban Library Journal – no report.
Roundtables:
- Acquisitions: will be setting a meeting.
- Archives & Special Collections: mission statement now available on LACUNY web site. Will be holding a meeting and is hoping to plan workshop in the spring – possible idea: disaster-planning workshop.
- Cataloging: nothing to report.
- Disability Services: Held meeting, but lacked quorum. Next meeting on Oct. 21 from 2-4 @ Baruch.
- Inter-Library Loan: Meeting on 25th. Task force for Intra-CUNY borrowing – excited about program, concerned about budget. Trying to figure out costs and to develop workflow.
- Reference: no report.
- Multi-cultural and Diversity: no report.
- Web Management: Program last semester w/ disabilities roundtable. Also started Yahoo! Group and has had a little activity on it so far.

LACUNY Web Team: no report.

Old Business:
- Motion to present S. Bonk with an honorary plaque as well as a lifetime membership at the December Membership meeting. Motion accepted.
- Hurricane relief discussion: Budget is very healthy can afford to make a generous donation, although primary responsibility is to CUNY. ALA is sponsoring adopt a Library programs for hurricane-struck Libraries. We can divide our donation to a couple different charities; many felt that we should donate to a City College Library, since we are a City College organization. Amount of donation was discussed - $2000 was agreed upon, the Budget Committee will need to approve. There is opportunity to donate said amount now, and re-evaluate and perhaps donate more at a later time. Proposed to donate $2000 to start to a Katrina-struck Library/library fund. Organization to be decided upon at a later time.
- The idea was brought up should LACUNY have a single address at one of the Colleges or perhaps arrange for a P.O. Box where all mail could be delivered? Idea seemed problematic so was scratched.

New Business:
- The idea of a LACUNY Listserv was discussed, we could start/develop a Yahoo group and the moderator could turn discussions into emails. Idea tabled for now.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:05 PM.
The next LACUNY Executive Council meeting will be held on Friday, November 4th, 2005 at 2:30 PM at the John Jay College Conference Room (Room 610).