

SLIS Alumni Board meeting minutes

May 15, 2008

The meeting commenced at 6:30 p.m. in the Stone Conference Room in Marist Hall. In attendance were: Jeff Prater (presiding), Mark Brzozowski, Margaret Weatherford, Kathy Kelly, Dean Kimberly Kelley, and Assistant Dean Timothy Steelman. Marianne Giltrud attended by teleconference.

Review of Previous Minutes

The minutes from the March 13, 2008 meeting were approved.

Old Business

Stone Lecture Follow-up

It was noted that the webcast and the Powerpoint presentation from Andrew Pace's 4/30/08 Stone Lecture are now posted on the Stone Lecture webpage (<http://slis.cua.edu/people/stonelecture.cfm>). Jeff Prater noted that Mark Brzozowski and Andrew Pace had given him some photos from the event, which he would send to Tim Steelman and the Board. Dean Kelley noted that if the Board would like the Pryzbyla Center as a venue for next year's lecture, we should book a date for use of a room there by this summer. Various Board members noted they had also liked Hannan Hall Auditorium. Dean Kelley suggested some potential speakers for next year's lecture, and also noted that considering having other former SLIS alumni speak is a fascinating idea. Kathy Kelly suggested that review of the Stone Lecture Program be started earlier next year.

Accreditation Update

Dean Kelley noted that a meeting of the Accreditation Review Advisory Board took place April 23, 2008, and that faculty are finishing up the draft chapters of the working plan which is due at the end of August. Each section of the working plan has short and long-term goals, and an outcome column has been added. Program updates are available on the SLIS Accreditation web site: <http://slis.cua.edu/people/stonelecture.cfm>

Dean Kelley also noted that SLIS Open Houses had been held in Loudoun County, Marist Hall, and at the Library of Congress recently.

Future Board Dates

The Board agreed to hold its next meeting June 19, 2008. If needed, there will also be Board meetings in July and August.

Secretarial Report

Kathy Kelly noted that the Board could use a 4-drawer file cabinet for storing Board files in Marist, to replace the 2-drawer file that has a problem with the upper drawer. Dean Kelley noted she could ask Pam Strassburger to look into this. Kathy suggested the Board think about a mechanism for efficient storage and retrieval of its electronic files. She also asked about adding an additional board member as a recipient of the cua-slis-

alumni-board "at" cua.edu emails, and both Marianne Giltrud and Margaret Weatherford indicated they would like to be added.

Von Dran Memorial Award

Kathy Kelly indicated she had provided SLIS with info to request a reimbursement for the plaque awarded to Kimberly Ferguson as the 2008 recipient of the award. She also suggested that a Von Dran Memorial Award html page be created in order to provide an overview of the award and a list of recipients, as well as a link to a Von Dran biography and a current nomination form.

New Business

Homecoming Event

Marianne Giltrud noted that she would book the May Gallery of Mullen Library for a SLIS Homecoming event on the evening of October 10, 2008.

2008 SLIS Graduation

Jeff Prater agreed to speak at the 2008 SLIS graduation about involvement with SLIS Alumni affairs. Mark Brzozowski, Margaret Weatherford and Marianne Giltrud noted they could attend the graduation as well. Kathy Kelly noted she could send Jeff the statement from an old SLIS Alumni Board Handbook that some previous presidents had drawn on when speaking at graduation.