

UW Archives & Preservation Club
Meeting Minutes
January 31, 2007 2 PM, MGH 310D

In attendance: Melinda Snarr, Michelle Vallance, Miriam Rigby, Alex Berteau, Spencer Lamm, Abby Bass, Kelly Varney, Rebecca Kuglitsch, Colleen Stevenson, Beth Sanderson, Kristen Dietiker

- A. Current Events
 - a. Michelle brought in an article on SAA's strategic plan from the latest issue of *Archival Outlook*
- B. iCareer Week wrap-up
 - a. Members agreed that the panel was successful and interesting. There was a good discussion among the panelists, and 15 people attended (the largest iCareer week panel had 20 attendees).
 - b. Melinda noted that having questions prepared in advance was especially helpful.
- C. Art/visual resources panel
 - a. In conjunction with SLA, APC is sponsoring a panel on librarians & archivists who work primarily with art objects and other visual resources. The panel will take place Monday, February 26th at 12 PM, location TBA.
 - b. Confirmed panelists include Richard Visick, Jeannette Mills, and someone at the Henry. We are also trying to reach someone at Tacoma Art Museum.
 - c. We briefly discussed questions and topics we'd like to hear the panelists discuss. Several ideas included the challenges facing those preserving art and visual resources, and hot topics/issues of controversy in the field. If you have other ideas for questions, please email Melinda or Michelle.
 - d. We discussed possible locations for this event. Many agreed that having the panel at the Henry would provide a nice change from MGH and perhaps attract new audiences.
 - e. Abby will email Heather Sheppard at Cornish College of the Arts and see if she wants to take part in this panel.
- D. Seattle Municipal Archives tour with Scott Kline
 - a. The tour is scheduled to take place, Wednesday February 28 at 10 am.
 - b. There is a maximum of 15 people for the tour, so RSVPs are necessary. Spencer will send out the email, Colleen will do the poster for this event.
 - c. If there is enough demand, Scott may be able to do two tours.
- E. Digital archives panel
 - a. We are planning this event for spring quarter. Possible panelists include people at Getty, Google (Melinda will ask Marie Potter or the MSIM Program Coordinator about possible contacts there), Digital Initiatives (Spencer).
 - b. We should get in contact with Laura Horne again about this program.
- F. SAA affiliation update (Michelle and Melinda)

- a. On January 24, Melinda and Michelle met with Harry Bruce, the iSchool Dean, to discuss forming a student chapter of SAA at the iSchool. The meeting was positive and productive. Here are few highlights:
 - i. Harry was generally supportive of the idea – his main concern is ensuring sustainability of the chapter.
 - ii. To become a student chapter, we need an advisor who is an SAA member. John Bolcer has agreed to serve in this role; other Special Collections staff have also expressed interest.
 - iii. Harry wants us to also have an iSchool advisor, so Michelle and Melinda approached David Levy about serving as an advisor. He was receptive to the idea.
 - iv. Harry would also like to see APC engage in more collaborative projects with other UW groups and departments. Museology seems like a very good fit. Michelle will research establishing contacts there.
- b. Next week Michelle and Melinda will meet with Kris Mesling and other iSchool staff to figure out the next steps in the process.
- c. Recruitment is a big concern – how do we continue to ensure that students enroll in SAA (a chapter must have at least 5 members to retain an affiliation with SAA). David Levy suggested that APC hold some kind of fundraiser to pay for one or two student memberships.
- d. Michelle will also be making an announcement in LIS 505 on Monday, February 12 at 4:30 PM to talk about the benefits of an SAA student chapter and promote student membership.

G. APC Officer Elections & Constitution

- a. The general consensus on the iOrgs listserv is that iSchool student groups will be holding officer elections in Winter quarter. Nominations will be solicited from Feb 12 to 18th. Elections will be held from February 26 to March 4th. Officers-elect will be informed of their status by the end of Winter Quarter.
- b. In his meeting with Melinda and Michelle, Harry suggested that APC create a first-year representative position that would be self-nominated in the fall after the new school year began. This position would help APC with the issue of continual recruitment.
- c. Everyone agreed that a first-year representative was a good idea. We then discussed combining two of the existing positions to keep the total officer positions to 6. After much discussion, we decided to combine the Secretary and Webmaster positions into one.
- d. We then held several votes to revise the APC constitution to reflect these changes. All changes were approved unanimously by voice vote. Changes include the following:
 - i. Article IV, Section 2: “The term of each office shall be one year.”
 - ii. Article IV, Section 3: “Officer positions shall be chair, co-chair, secretary/webmaster, publicity officer, distance liaison, and first-year representative.”
 - iii. Article V, Section 1: “Selection of officers shall be held annually.”

H. Other Business

- a. There is a GPSS President's Council meeting this Friday to promote networking across campus organizations and discuss funding and other campus issues. Michelle and Alex will both attend.
- b. Michelle informed APC members about a \$300 scholarship to be used towards archival education advertised in this month's NW Archivists Newsletter. The deadline for application is March 1st. Apply!
- c. The next APC meeting will take place Wednesday, February 21st at 6:30 PM in the back room of the College Inn Pub. Abby will reserve the room.