

ARLIS ONTARIO - 20 OCTOBER 2006 - BUFFALO

ANDERSON GALLERY, UNIVERSITY OF BUFFALO

Those Present: Catherine Spence, Lawrence Stewart, Irene Puchalski, Syvalya Elchen, Tammy Morse, Jill Patrick, Margaret Webster, Janet Muise, Margaret English, Lynda Barnett, Mary Kandiuk, Daniel Payne, Randall Speller, Eric Schwab, Michele Laing, Peggy Haist, and a number of guests.

AFFILIATION AGREEMENT WITH ARLIS/NA:

A joint meeting was held with members of ARLIS/Western New York to discuss the proposed affiliation agreement.

As a result of our meeting at OCAD earlier this month, Michele Laing has contacted ARLIS Canada and received their response concerning the Affiliation agreement.

An information package will be distributed with details of that response. The Executive will make a recommendation for or against the affiliation, along with the information we send out. An email vote will be taken as long as people do not have a problem with confidentiality. As no concerns were expressed, then this email vote will take place shortly.

The Chapter and ARLIS/NA by-laws should also be circulated, and members should be asked to commit to them. We all agreed that we have to show some level of commitment to ARLIS/NA. Basically the affiliation contract is an agreement to abide by the by-laws of the organization; by-laws that have always been in place. Not all chapters have been following the by-laws.

There were some questions:

Are there a minimum number of ARLIS/NA members required in each chapter?

EXECUTIVE LIABILITY INSURANCE: Canadian and US law is basically the same when it comes of Liability Insurance. The Canadian Chapters should consult with Elizabeth Clark about hiring a Canadian lawyer to answer these questions. A lawyer and insurance broker must be consulted. If we decide to ask all attendees at our meetings to sign a legal waiver then the waiver needs to be reviewed by a lawyer as well. We will still need to protect ourselves from third person liability.

ARCHIVES: Please hand over any documents you have about the founding of the Chapter in 1992. OCAD has agreed to house the papers when they have been gathered. Lawrence Stewart asked to participate in this project. We should also archive the WEB. Eric Schwab will assist regarding the web-site archive. Daniel Payne will also assist at OCAD.

SURVEY: At our last meeting at York University we asked attendees to fill out a survey. 19 were completed and handed in. Most people preferred Friday as meeting day, and most people want to go outside of Toronto (1-2 hours away). The majority was willing to pay up to \$30.00 for a meeting, and some are willing to pay more if needed. Everyone wanted a catered lunch for the meetings, and most asked for new resources to be demonstrated or for a focused discussion on an issue. Otherwise most people were happy with the programs as they stand. About 50% of Ontario members receive institutional support (an even split).

SPRING 2007 MEETING: The spring meeting will be held in Grimsby at the Library/Gallery. We shall look at the Library/Gallery relationship in Ontario. On Saturday, members can attend the 2007 Wazgoose festival of hand-printers in Grimsby. Afterwards we shall visit some of the area wineries.

FALL MEETING 2007: There are tentative plans to hold a meeting in Ottawa or Hamilton. As for Ottawa we have to hear from MOQ to see if they are willing to join us. ARLIS/Ontario has no members in Hamilton so some of us will have to do the legwork if a meeting is planned for that city.

WEBSITE: Several people commented on how great the web site look, so our thanks to Eric Schwab for all his work.

THANKS were also extended to the outgoing president Michele Laing for all her work on behalf of ARLIS/Ontario.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.