ARLIS Ontario Spring 2013 Chapter Meeting Minutes
Friday, March 8th, 2013 – 10:15am to 11:30am
London Public Library, Central Library, 251 Dundas St., London ON, N6A 6H9, Stevenson and Hunt Meeting Room A

Business Meeting: 10:15am to 11:30am

Regrets: Barb Duff, Victoria Baranow, Margaret English, Tammy Moorse, Jill Patrick, Katya Pereyaslavskaya, Victoria Sigurdson, Randall Speller, Stephen Spong

Present: Jacqueline Bennet, Melissa Bruno (Chair), Farah Chung (Student Representative), Daniel Payne, Clair Parker, Effie Patelos (Vice-Chair), Nancy Perrin, Catherine Spence, Clair Parker, Yayoi Umetsubo, Amy Weir (Treasurer)

Remote participants (Skype): Lesley Bell, Lucinda Walls, Samantha Tator

1. Introduction of Pearl Santopinto, from the London Public Library:
   • Melissa Bruno

2. Introductions of 2012 Executives: Melissa Bruno (Chair) introduced Effie Patelos (Vice-Chair), Amy Weir (Treasurer), and Farah Chung (Student Representative). Melissa also introduced 2013 Secretary (Victoria Baranow, in absentia).

3. Motion to accept the agenda:
   • Motion to accept the agenda: Amy Weir; seconded by Effie Patelos.

4. Motion to accept the Fall Meeting Minutes.
   • Motion to accept the meeting minutes Farah Chung; seconded by Clair Parker.

5. Treasurer’s Report (Amy Weir)
   • As of March 8th the chapter has 18 memberships, and as of September 30th, 2012, we have $4984.39 in the bank account. In December 2012, $35 in membership fees, and $1,790.00 in proceeds from the Movember vintage sale fundraiser were deposited to the bank account. In February 2013, $25 in membership fees, $125 in proceeds from the 2012 Holiday Party, $600.00 from the AGO Booksale Fundraiser, and $176.31 from PayPal were
deposited to the bank account. As of March 1, 2013 the Bank Balance is $7,097.42. Minus $2,500.00 for the Contingency fund, and adding $100.00 from the cash box, this leaves the chapter with $4,697.42 in available funds.

- Amy has reformatted the Membership List on the chapter wiki so you can see the date of membership payment, and when membership expires.
- PayPal is up and running. It is flexible and can be used for multiple types of payments including membership fees, meeting fees, and also donations.
- Amy plans to cancel paper statements which cost $3.00 each, and switch to free e-statements.
- Amy reported the depositing fee increased slightly.
- Daniels Payne suggested the chapter should get a generic email address for the Treasurer for consistency. There was a general consensus that this was a sound idea, and Amy agreed to make further investigation on whether it would be possible.

6. Chair’s Report (Melissa Bruno)

- The Executive has met twice to plan the Fall 2013 Chapter Meeting, and discuss fundraising.
- The chapter will have more social events there are more than sufficient available funds.
- Melissa Created a LinkedIn page for the chapter so members have another communication outlet. It also includes job postings.
- In terms of creating an institutional membership fee for the chapter, Melissa contacted the ARLIS/NA Liaison, and they had not heard of any other ATLIS/NA local chapter having one. The decision was not to create one for the Ontario chapter.
- The planning of the upcoming panel discussion is slow to move forward. The Executive needs a planning document for contingency and transparency. Effie Patelos (Vice-Chair) has volunteered to assist in the writing of this document, to be ready for the upcoming Fall 2013 Chapter Meeting.
- Melissa is considering creating a legacy document for the chapter, including even Executive Meeting Minutes.
- The Wordpress website is becoming unwieldy and difficult to use. Melissa will explore other options, and report her findings during the Fall 2013 Chapter Meeting.
- Member Jonathan Franklin has offered to translate pages on the website to French.

7. Revision to Bylaws (Melissa Bruno)

- Includes a change in language. The “Canadian Chapter Chair” will now be referred to as the “Canadian Member-at-Large” to be consistent with terminology used by ARLIS/NA Canada.
- The Student Representative will be a member of the chapter Executive. Our model was well received by ARLIS/NA Canada with no objections.
- Motion to accept the revisions to the Bylaws: Daniel Payne; seconded by Amy Weir.
8. **Progress report: Upcoming Panel/Workshop arrangements (Melissa Bruno)**

- Melissa has reached out to several librarians who make use of social media in their practices.
- The project will go forward, but as a more intimate workshop on social media most likely with three speakers in September 2013.
- Daniel Payne made a suggestion to make it a student-run event. It would allow students to gain experience, and have something to add to a CV.
- The professional librarians that Melissa has contact to possibly participate in the workshop so far include: Tammy Moorse (Regional Library Coordinator – Radio, CBC), Katya Pereyaslavska (Project Manager Librarian, Accessible Texts Repository at Scholars Portal, OCUL), Heather Saunders (Manager of Reference and Information Services, Nipissing University), and Eva Stepanian (Social Media Librarian at University of Toronto Mississauga).

9. **Membership Outreach Strategic Task Force Introduction and Report (Jacqueline Bennet)**

- Jacqueline Bennet is the representative of the task force. Other members include: Melissa Bruno, Katya Pereyaslavska, Stephen Spong, and Samantha Tator.
- The mandate of the task force is to reach out and connect members across the entirety of the Ontario chapter, engaging them in more active participation.
- A report drafted by Katya Pereyaslavska was read. Some keys point of the report included the need to increase membership across the province, increase the use of Skype so that members can more readily participate in chapter meetings and events, and it was pointed out the University of Western’s Faculty of Information & Media Studies does not has an ARLIS Ontario student representative unlike the University of Toronto’s Faculty of Information.

10. **Chapter Listserv (Melissa Bruno)**

- Proposed to make access to the chapter listserv a perk of chapter membership. The greater ARLIS/NA listserv can continue to serve as the public forum.
- A vote was taken, and those present unanimously accepted the changes.

11. **Canadian Member-at-Large Update (Daniel Payne)**

- There were 15 nominations for the Melva J. Dwyer Award. This substantial number reflects that many publishers were contacted this year, and many of the nominated titles are not traditional reference resources. The 2013 jurors included Adrienne Connelly (Alberta College of Art + Design), Élise Lassonde (Bibliothèque et Archives nationales du Québec), and Linda Morita (McMichael Canadian Art Collection). The winner of the award will be announced at the 41st Annual ARLIS/NA Conference in Pasadena, CA. Meetings between the
jurors were conducted online using GoTo meetings. Daniel added that the Ontario chapter might be able to use this software through TGIF’s subscription. All 15 nominated titles are posted on the ARLIS Canada website (http://www.arliscanada.ca/en/node/614).

- In terms of the History of Art Libraries in Canada 2.0 Project, ARLIS Canada (http://www.arliscanada.ca/hal/aris-hal.pdf) and Artexte have posted the original document to their respective websites. The original document is select in its coverage – the new document will be more inclusive. The original format is a PDF, and rather large in file size. The hope is that the new publication will be more dynamic and searchable. Daniel speculated it could even be released as an ARLIS/NA Occasional Paper. The one problem with the project is Joe Bagwell, who was going to be the editor, has been laid off from the National Gallery of Canada. The project is on hold until the meeting of the Canadian delegates at the 41st Annual ARLIS/NA conference in Pasadena, CA.

- As Canadian Member-at-Large, Daniel has drafted a statement to be read at the 41st Annual ARLIS/NA conference in Pasadena, CA, concerning the lay-offs of librarians at the National Gallery of Canada in Ottawa. The statement questions how will the largest art library in Canada will provide service without a director, and a greatly reduced staff. The statement was forwarded to Jennifer Garland, Chair of the ARLIS MOQ chapter, who presented it to the ARLIS Canada Board. The statement was approved by the board for all Canadian chapters, and it will be distributed through the CARLIS listserv. Amy Weir asked if the statement was going to be distributed outside of Canada, and Daniel confirmed it would be.

- The bylaws of ARLIS Canada state that past chair of the Ontario, MOQ and Atlantic chapters are supposed to be on the Executive Committee (Article IV. Officers.). Daniel will send out an email to the past chairs. He added there is also supposed to be a Treasurer on the Executive Committee, but that position is null considering ARLIS Canada has no budget.

12. ARLIS/NA Ontario Conference Travel Award Announcement (Melissa Bruno)
- The winner for 2013 is Farah Chung, who is also the Student Representative for the ARLIS Ontario Chapter.

13. Other Business (Melissa Bruno)
- Western Libraries’ Visual Resources Librarian, Claire Parker, will email her colleagues at both Western and in the London area to hopefully increase involvement in the Ontario chapter.

Melissa asked for a motion to adjourn given that it was time for the tour. Nancy Perrin motioned to adjourn; seconded by Amy Weir.