

ARLIS/NA Midstates Chapter Fall meeting
September 28, 2012
5:00 pm
Kohler Art Library
University of Wisconsin
Madison, Wisconsin

In attendance: Amy Trendler, Annette Haines, Rebecca Price, Suzanne Salisbury, Nancy Spiegel, Jennifer Hehman, Rijn Templeton, Sona Pastel-Daneshgar, Amy Sonnichsen, Katherine Kelley, Emilee Mathews, Deb Verhoff, Lyn Korenic, Linda Duychak, Marsha Stevenson, Alexis Burson, Kathleen Lonbom, Alba Fernández-Keys.

1. Welcome to members and introductions

The meeting was convened at 5:04 p.m. by Chair Kathleen Lonbom, who thanked Lyn Korenic and Linda Duychak for organizing the meeting and tours. Introductions were made in a round-robin fashion.

2. Review and approve minutes from the spring chapter meeting in Toronto

Minutes from the Toronto conference were approved with no changes.

3. Report from Secretary / Treasurer

Secretary/Treasurer Alba Fernández-Keys presented the following report:

Midstates account:

Previous report balance (March 28, 2012) =\$2,095.22

-\$250.00 (SEI travel award-Monique Lowe)

-\$300.00 (Welcome party donation)

+\$280.00 (memberships)

+ \$50.00 (donation)

Current balance (September 27, 2012) =\$1,875.22

Bunce account:

Previous report balance (March 28, 2012) =\$1,340.00

+\$80.00 (donations)

Current balance (September 27, 2012) =\$1420.00

Alba reported 29 members in good standing. Of these, 14 were new members.

The group discussed ARLIS/NA Welcome Party donations in relation to other chapters and to our chapter's size and membership dues. Kathleen asked for a donation for the Pasadena conference. A donation of \$200.00 was approved. Alba will find out if our bank account requires a minimum balance.

4. Nominations Committee—call for volunteers

Kathleen issued a call for volunteers for the Midstates Nominations Committee. She will also send a message to the Midstates list.

5. William C. Bunce Travel Award Committee—call for volunteers

Kathleen also issued a call for volunteers for the William C. Bunce travel Award. A message to the list will follow. Lyn Korenic and Linda Duychak spoke about William C. Bunce and how the award was initiated. The chapter is now taking donations to maintain the award.

6. Chapter newsletter updates

Amy received applause for the newsletter. She issued a call for articles and news and reminded the group that the deadline is two weeks after the chapter meeting. She will send a reminder to the list. In addition, Amy presented the recipe of the new Midstates logo. Amy explained that the colors were inspired by Midwestern items. She is working with Deborah Evans-Cantrell, Midstates Web Master, on a cleaner and more modern design for our website. Kathleen Lonbom thanked Amy for her work and suggested that new members submit a short profile for the newsletter.

7. 2013 Chapter meetings [Spring, Pasadena/Fall TBD]

Kathleen reminded the group that the Chapter's spring meeting will take place in Pasadena. If there is interest, Alba might be able to host the Fall 2013 meeting in Indianapolis.

8. ARLIS/NA Communications & Publications Liaison report

Melanie Emerson, ARLIS/NA Executive Board's Communications and Publications Liaison was unable to attend the meeting. Her report was read by Kathleen Lonbom.

- **Future conference:** The board discussed possible sites upcoming conference, because Midstates hosted Indianapolis in 2009 it might be good to reach out to other chapters that haven't as recently. There was still a lot of interest in a Chicago conference, so it might be good for the chapter to think about 2017 or later. All the Pasadena conference planning is going well and the D.C. planning for 2014 is beginning, more details will be shared in Pasadena.
- **Webinars and GoToMeetings:** Guadalupe Rodriguez at TEI (g.rodriquez@arlisna.org or (414) 768-8000 x136) is able to set up hosted webinars or help access GoToMeeting for chapter functions. However she needs at least a month to set up webinars and a couple weeks for GoToMeeting. Chapter Chairs will have the ability to self schedule GoToMeetings: more guidelines about these procedures are forthcoming.
- **Basecamp/Project Management:** The board has decided to subscribe to Basecamp for ARLIS/NA activities. Once the account is set up, chapters will have the opportunity to use the software to manage and track activities.
- **Strategic Plan:** The Board would like all chapters to review the strategic plan and consider the goals outlined. Each chapter should report to Laurel all the goals and objectives that have already been met, but also how the Chapter is working to reach other goals set forth.
- **New Slate of Board Members:** The new slate of board members was presented by the nominating committee and approved by the board. An announcement will be sent to ARLIS-L, the positions to be filled are: Vice President/President Elect, Secretary,

Chapters Liaison, Development & Membership Committee Liaison, and Education Liaison.

- **ARLIS/NA Web Site:** The Communications & Publications Committee is currently accepting bids for a redesign of the AWS. They are specifically looking for . They are hoping the design work can be done this spring with migrations of content to Joomla over the summer. If anyone has any recommendation for designers with Joomla experience, please feel free to forward suggestions to Melanie Emerson, memerson@artic.edu.

9. ARLIS/NA's Strategic Plan & Action Plan

The Committee is asking chapter members for ideas and suggestions of how individual chapters can help support the organization's plan. One of the examples mentioned was contacting the region's library schools. Alexis Burson will compile comments which will then become part of our annual report. She will send an e-mail reminder to the list.

10. Chapter membership fees for students

The group discussed the lack of clarity with regard to student chapter membership rates. Members noted that there is no uniformity among chapters. Kathleen reminded attendees that in order to be a chapter member one must be an ARLIS/NA member first. The group decided to maintain the student fee at \$10.00. Alba will add this information to the membership form. In addition, she will add the question "How many years have you been a chapter member?"

11. ARLIS/NA Conference—Chicago 2015, 2016, or beyond.

The Executive Board would like to know if there is interest in hosting a future annual conference in Chicago. The last time a conference was held there was 20 years ago. Because the decision depends largely on our Chicago members the group decided to continue this conversation in Pasadena in the spring.

12. Chapter member mentoring

Expanding mentoring is one possible way in which the chapter could support ARLIS/NA's strategic plan. Lyn discussed the different approaches and her experience as a mentor at the national program. The Midstates Chapter could do this formally or informally, in which case we will need a mentor coordinator. Emilee Mathews discussed her experiences with ARLIS/NA's pilot virtual mentoring program. She mentioned the importance of having a personal connection to a mentor as opposed to only meeting virtually.

13. Announcements

Jennifer Hehman talked about EBSCO Publishing's new Art Advisory Board (originally formed by H.W. Wilson). There was high representation from the chapter at their spring meeting in Ipswich, MA.

Amy Trendler reminded the group that SEI will take place in Ann Arbor again next year, with Rebecca Price as coordinator.

Debbie Verhoff greeted the chapter. She recently relocated to Chicago. She used to be part of the New England Chapter.

Alba Fernández-Keys informed the group that the Archives Department at the Indianapolis Museum of Art is working on two digitization grants.

Emilee Mathews is the internship coordinator for art students on the Library Program at Indiana University.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alba Fernández-Keys