

# ARLIS/NA MIDSTATES

**Midstates Chapter Spring 2018 Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, February 26, 2018 at 8:00am**  
**Hilton Midtown: Gramercy East**  
**New York, New York**

**Attendees:** Alexis Burson (DePaul University); Sarah Carter (Indiana University); Jane Darcovich (University of Illinois, Chicago); Melanie Emerson (University of Illinois); Stephanie Fletcher (Art Institute of Chicago); Ashley Hinshaw (Indiana University); Meredith Kahn (University of Michigan); Lyn Korenic (University of Wisconsin); Cara List (Northwestern University); Doug Litts (Art Institute of Chicago); Rebecca Price (University of Michigan); Viveca Robichaud (University of Notre Dame); Anna Simon (University of Wisconsin); Karen Stafford (Art Institute of Chicago); Amy Trendler (Ball State University); Jamie Vander Broek (University of Michigan); Alyssa Vincent (Northeastern Illinois University); Terrie Wilson (Michigan State University)

- I. **Introductions:** Melanie Emerson opened the meeting by introducing the Bunce Travel Award winner: Alyssa Vincent from Northeastern Illinois University. Members introduced themselves.
  
- II. **Secretary/Treasurer's Report**
  - A. Fall 2017 meeting minutes were approved. Minutes should be sent to the Chapters Liaison immediately; they do not have to be approved first.
  - B. Stephanie Fletcher gave the financial report. Finances have not changed much since our December meeting. General Account: \$1,861.94. Bunce Award Account: \$915.33. Thank you for your dues and donations.
  - C. We have 25 members in good standing. Membership is down since the December 2017 meeting due to members not yet paying their 2018 dues. Stephanie Fletcher will send another reminder to the listserv and then follow up with members individually before the due date of April 1st, 2018. Please fill out the online Membership Form when you pay your dues.
  
- III. **Old/Ongoing Business**
  - A. Melanie Emerson will contact the Website Working Group about moving forward with plans for an updated website. Other chapters have applied for and received one-time funding from the Society to update their websites. We will apply for funds if the group decides it is necessary.
  - B. Jamie Vander Broek gave an update on the Chapter Mentoring Program. There are currently no participants. She will send a reminder via the listserv in case anyone is interested. Recent participants (Stephanie Fletcher, Karen Stafford, Amy Trendler, and Terrie Wilson) volunteered to talk to anyone who has questions about the experience.
  - C. Melanie Emerson reported that some chapters have had some success with their fundraising efforts. However, it was generally through raffles or events where members contributed the funds. There was some discussion at the Chapter leadership meeting about looking for sponsors for meetings as another way to offset costs. We need to determine what we want to fund with any extra income. Possibilities include outreach

efforts to increase membership, the Bunce Award, and events, speakers, or workshops at our fall meetings.

- D. Melanie Emerson reported that the Chapter can receive special funding for outreach to iSchools. Midstates members near iSchools could participate in career day events. Melanie Emerson will contact these librarians to make further plans. Future online meetings could be streamed to iSchools. Amy Trendler will check if our Midstates bookmark is updated; placing this inside an ARLIS brochure is one way to publicize our group. We could contact ArLiSNAP to talk about networking with library students.
- E. There was a short discussion about the possibility of hosting the 2022 ARLIS/NA conference in Chicago. There is no deadline for proposals yet. Doug Litts reported that the Board will be looking for a city that will attract many attendees that year, so they may be interested in a Chicago conference. Viveca Robichaud, Rebecca Price, Melanie Emerson, and Cara List will start revising a proposal that the Chapter previously submitted for the 2020 conference. The research and price points used for the 2016 IFLA satellite meeting in Chicago may be useful.

#### **IV. New Business**

- A. We considered fundraising opportunities, the location for our fall meeting, and outreach to iSchools. Members were enthusiastic about meeting in Indianapolis. Future possible locations are Champaign-Urbana and Madison. A virtual meeting is also an option, and may attract students who don't have funds to travel. The virtual component should be run on the institution's system and not GoToMeeting (unless that is their system).
- B. Melanie Emerson will speak to the Ohio Valley Chapter about planning a joint meeting in Indianapolis.

#### **V. Announcements**

- A. Round Robin. Lyn Korenic: Wisconsin has some long-term plans to consolidate libraries on campus and create central hubs. There are not immediate plans to move the Kohler Library. Lyn Korenic and Anna Simon co-taught the art librarianship class on campus and are continuing to work on their dual-degree program. Melanie Emerson: Ricker Library will temporarily move out of its space while a new floor is installed. Viveca Robichaud: The library renovations at Notre Dame continue. Cara List: There are still plans to renovate the Art Library at Northwestern. Doug Litts: Applications are now being accepted for the NDSR Art residency that begins in July 2018. The Art Institute of Chicago will host a resident. Terrie Wilson: The art library is not closed yet. The Director of Libraries at MSU is leaving, so future plans are uncertain. Karen Stafford: The Ryerson and Burnham Libraries successfully implemented a new ILS over the summer.
- B. Amy Trendler is accepting submissions to the next Chapter newsletter. She will send out a reminder on the listserv.