ARLIS/NA Midstates Chapter Spring Meeting Minutes
ARLIS/NA Conference- Pasadena Conference Center 107
Saturday 8-9am April 27, 2013


Agenda:

I. Welcome
Alexis Burson, Chair, called the meeting the order. Kathleen Lonbom was thanked for her excellent job in leading the chapter for the past year. Alba Fernández-Keys was also thanked for her service as Secretary and Treasurer as were Elizabeth Berenz and Terrie Wilson for co-chairing the William C. Bunce Travel Award Committee, Deborah Evans-Cantrell for her work on the ARLIS Midstates website, and Amy Trendler for her work as editor of the newsletter.

II. Approval of fall meeting minutes (Alexis Burson)
Approved the fall 2012 meeting in Madison, Wisconsin. A hearty thanks was extended to Lyn Korenic for her contributions to the successful and enjoyable event.

III. Secretary/Treasurer’s Report
The Treasurer’s Report was distributed to members and presented by Alexis Burson in lieu of Alba Fernández-Keys. The account currently has $1,666.67.

IV. Membership Information
The chapter has eighteen members in good standing. For those who haven’t paid dues yet, there is a form on the website to fill out. Send to Alba for processing.

V. William C. Bunce Midstates Travel Award
The William Bunce Travel Award was given to Viveca Pattison Robichaud. Members extended congratulations.

VI. Midstates Website
Deborah Evans-Cantrell, Website Editor, demonstrated the new look and feel of the ARLIS Midstates website she has been working on. She asked for input from the members on a few different archiving and display issues, such as keeping the conference planning materials from the 2009 Indianapolis conference, linking or displaying different information on the membership directory page, creating a consistent method for archiving meeting minutes, some of which have been saved as PDFs and some as webpages. The member also discussed having information on past chairs, the By-Laws, and having the listserv noted. Deborah asked everyone to click through the site and make sure that all the links work. The membership page was shown, and we discussed contacting potential institutions and art librarians to see if they would be interested in joining us.

VII. Newsletter Updates
Amy Trendler discussed the upcoming spring newsletter, and encouraged members to contribute articles to the newsletter.

VIII. Strategic Plan
Leigh Gates, Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect, spoke about the Strategic Plan and reaching out to Library and Information Science programs in people’s regions to talk about art librarianship and ARLIS involvement.

IX. 2013 Spring Chapter Meeting Site (open forum)
The location for the fall 2013 meeting was discussed. Chicago was proposed, and approved by the members. September 21, 2013 was mentioned as the possible meeting day [the date has since been changed to September 13/14], possibly a Saturday to help accommodate those who need to travel. Members discussed keeping the fall meeting open to non-members to encourage recruitment, especially of students. Non-members would not be able to vote, but would be able to participate in events. It may also be possible to have a joint VRA meeting again, like in Madison.

X. Member Announcements
Members’ presenting and administrators of Special Interest groups at the Pasadena conference were given time to promote their sessions and activities.

The meeting was adjourned at 9am.

Respectfully submitted: Emilee Mathews