



ARLIS/NA Mountain West Chapter | Business Meeting

Saturday, April 27, 2013 | 8:00 AM

Pasadena | Sheraton Hotel

Attendees: Julie Williamsen (Chair), Nicole Beatty (Vice-Chair), Peggy Keeran (Past Chair), Jenni James (Secretary/Treasurer), Joan Benedetti, Diana Harter, Greg Hatch, Eumie Imm-Stroukoff, Luke Leither, Sandra Ley, Nancy Pistorius, Rebecca Potance, Chris Ramsey, Margaret Van Dyk, Alexander Watkins

1. Call to Order & Introductions

Julie Williamsen, Chapter Chair, called the meeting to order and attendees introduced themselves.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from Wednesday, November 7, 2012

The minutes of the November virtual business meeting, as posted on the MW Chapter website (http://arlisna-mw.lib.byu.edu//minutes/2012_nov.pdf), were approved with no amendments.

3. Treasurer's Report (Jenni James)

2013 Income: \$970.00

Dues: \$725.00

Winberta Yao Travel Award donations: \$245.00

2013 Expenses: \$919.19

ARLIS/NA Welcome Party donation: \$200.00

Winberta Yao Travel Award: \$700.00 (Rebecca Potance)

Online Membership Payment Fees to PayPal: \$19.19

PayPal (available since 5/15/2012)

19 paid via PayPal for 2013 membership

2013 Balance (as of 4/16/12): \$2675.63

2013 Membership:

29 paid MW chapter members (as of 4/16/2013). This is a decrease of 2 from 31 members at the end of 2012. Arizona 1, Colorado 9, Montana 0, Nevada 0, New Mexico 12 (with 1 new), Utah 5 (with 2 new), Wyoming 1, California 1 (outside the MW Chapter region). 6 members in 2012 have not renewed for 2013.

4. Chair's Report (Julie Williamsen)

Williamsen thanked everyone for all they are doing. She encouraged everyone to spread the word about joining Mountain West and to reach out to those librarians working in arts related areas, such as theatre, film/media, and communications.

5. Vice Chair's Report (Nicole Beatty)

a. Virtual Conference

The group discussed the possibilities of having a virtual conference later this year. The MW Chapter's 2011 virtual conference was well received and attended. Travel would not be an issue to attend. Concerns were expressed about getting enough proposals. That has been difficult for past conferences including the 2011 virtual conference. Three members said they would submit proposals for a virtual conference. The group came to consensus to hold a virtual conference this fall. Dates were discussed with a majority favoring November.

Nicole would like to meet with those involved with the last virtual conference. Discussion included consideration of various video conferencing products. It was noted that there were issues with Go To Meeting last time and there are other issues with Adobe Connect. Greg Hatch said he has had positive experience using the conferencing application SeeVogh.

Chapter bylaws will be reviewed for conference committee assignments.

b. Hosting an ARLIS/NA Conference

2017 is the next possible date open to host an ARLIS/NA national conference in Utah.

Discussion: The speakers, donors, and tours developed for the Mountain West Chapter conference that was slated for Park City could be the basis for a national conference in Salt Lake City. Members discussed the work and time commitment involved, several having worked on the 2008 national conference hosted by Mountain West in Denver. Peggy Keeran said that those involved with the Denver conference could meet with Utah members, via phone perhaps. The Conference Planning Manual states that "ARLIS/NA chapters inform the Society through the Regional or Canadian Representative at least 3 years in advance of the year they would like to host the conference." The deadline for submitting a proposal for 2017 might be December 2014, that date needs to be checked. Consensus was that the decision to host a national conference is up to Utah members. Diana Harter will coordinate a discussion with Utah members.

6. Four Corners VRA Chapter Information (Elaine Paul)

Elaine Paul was not in attendance at the ARLIS/NA 2013 conference.

7. Committee & Volunteer Reports

a. Nominating Committee (Peggy Keeran)

As Past Chair for the MW Chapter, Peggy Keeran will chair the Nominating Committee. The Chair Elect and Secretary/Treasurer offices will be on the ballot. Eumie Imm-Stroukoff and Chris Ramsey agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee with Peggy Keeran.

b. State Membership Coordinators

i. Arizona: (Marly Helm)

Helm was not at ARLIS/NA 2013 conference. The group noted that Arizona currently has only one member in MW. Sandra Ley plans to become a member and will encourage others in Arizona to join.

ii. Colorado (Tom Riedel)

Nine members from Denver, Boulder, Loveland, and Laramie (WY) met in Denver on December 7, 2012 and visited the Van Gogh exhibit at the Denver Art Museum.

iii. Nevada (Peggy Keeran)

Peggy has contacted potential members and will continue to reach out to them to join the Chapter.

iv. New Mexico (Jenni James)

A gathering of New Mexico members is planned for August 23 on the IAIA campus. An announcement will go out soon and all Chapter members and others are welcome to attend.

v. Utah (Diana Harter)

Diana Harter is the new State Coordinator for Utah. Julie Williamsen arranged a dinner for all MW members at the Pasadena conference and all the Utah members attended. Harter just began as Coordinator and will have more to report in the future. The Utah members have been email chatting a lot regarding the possible conference.

vi. Wyoming & Montana (Jennifer Mayer)

Mayer was not at the ARLIS/NA 2013 conference

c. Travel Award

Rebecca Potance was congratulated as this year's awardee. She told the group she is new to the field and ARLIS has already been useful for her. She hopes to come to future ARLIS conferences.

d. Newsletter (Marly Helm)

Peggy Keeran filled in for Marly Helm, telling us that Helm would ask members to send her articles about the conference and our institutions and collections. The newsletter also includes articles on new members. The deadline for submission is usually May.

e. Website (Christiane Ramsey)

Ramsey asked for any suggestions. She's thinking of linking to all member institutional sites by state. She knows Helm would like to see more information about each institution, which could be included on the site.

8. New business

a. Logo competition

The MW Chapter logo needs to be redesigned to comply with the ARLIS/NA standards. Chris Ramsey suggested having a student competition. Members agreed to include students from all our institutions. A \$250 cash prize was set by unanimous vote. The judging committee will be Chris Ramsey, Alex Watkins, Rebecca Potance, and Julie Williamsen. The committee will create criteria for the competition and send that to all Mountain West members for sharing with their institutions.

b. Winberta Yao Travel Award increase

Peggy Keeran made a motion to provide two \$700 Winberta Yao Travel Awards for the ARLIS/NA conference in Washington DC in 2014. Nancy Pistorius seconded the motion. Discussion followed concerning whether the amount of the one award should be increased rather than providing two awards. The group decided to table the motion until the November business meeting. At that time the Chapter's account balance will include any funds earned from the virtual conference and we can look at costs for attending the DC conference.

9. Old business

a. Mentorship

Peggy Keeran asked Julie Williamsen if she was still thinking of having virtual mentorship at the Chapter level. Williamsen asked if there was interest in virtual mentorship. Members responded that it might be more efficient to go through the ARLIS/NA opportunities for mentoring and some are doing that. Williamsen also asked that anyone interested in being a mentee or mentor at the Chapter level send her an email and she will match people up.

b. Additional virtual meetings

There is interest in having regular virtual meetings for the Chapter in addition to meeting at the ARLIS/NA conference and the fall business meeting. These could be informal online chat meetings, maybe one or two a year. Perhaps winter would be a good time to add an informal meeting. The date would depend on when the national conference is held. It would help to announce the dates for such meetings ahead of time. Chair Williamsen will calendar the meetings and share those dates with members.

Williamsen adjourned the meeting at 9:10 am.

Respectfully submitted by
Jenni James, Mountain West Chapter Secretary/Treasurer
May 8, 2013