

The University of British Columbia  
School of Library, Archival and Information Studies  
Faculty Meeting Minutes September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2006

Present: Edie Rasmussen, Judi Saltman, Rick Kopak, Terry Eastwood, Susie Stephenson, Francesca Marini, Jennifer Campbell Meier, Lisa Hussey, Allison Taylor McBryde, Shirley Lew

In Attendance: Mary Grenier

Sabbatical: Heather MacNeil, Ann Curry

Agenda Approved – Motion Terry Eastwood, 2<sup>nd</sup> Judi Saltman  
Minutes from May 29<sup>th</sup> Approved – Motion Susie Stephenson 2<sup>nd</sup>, Francesca Marini

Directors Report – Edie Rasmussen

- Welcome to new faculty Jennifer Campbell-Meier, Lisa Hussey, Allison Taylor-McBryde
- Congratulations to Luciana Duranti on winning the BC Innovation Council's Frontiers in Research Award
- Also, congratulations to Luciana and team on successfully passing the first stage for their CAURA grant proposal
- Congratulations to Ann Curry on her promotion to Professor.

**Update on SLAIS business:**

- There was a Large-Group Meeting for the IKBLC in mid-September which Rick and Edie attended. Discussion focused primarily on the classrooms, and the meeting rooms, and how they will be booked through Classroom Services. They are still anticipating that the building will be ready by the end of August, but are not recommending scheduling classes there for the Fall 2007 session.
- SLAIS budget cut: Mary and Edie met with the Dean and Financial Office Brian Lee to discuss SLAIS' budget cut of \$30,000. We agreed to a cut of \$20,000 from the sessional budget and \$10,000 from the TA budget.
- Joe Tennis as chair for the First Nations Concentration has begun a series of meetings with interested parties across campus and beyond to determine the status of the concentration and make recommendations for future development. I'll ask him to report on this at a future meeting.
- A number of us attended a working lunch with some of the senior people in the University Library to talk about possible collaborations. A number of areas were suggested for development...the UBC-SFU-SLAIS colloquium series, research opportunities, etc.
- First Lazerow lecture was held on Sept. 26 with a talk by Marcia Bates... hopefully the first of an annual series.

### **Forthcoming events**

- Many colloquia, both in SLAIS series and MACL series---thanks to Joe, Francesca and Judi and her committee for organizing these
- A party is being planned to celebrate Ann's promotion
- BCIC awards dinner Nov. 6 – SLAIS is sharing a table
- SLAIS Congregation and Brunch, Wednesday, November 22

### **Curriculum – MSS**

The following proposals were brought forward from the Curriculum Committee:

LIBR 559K – Open Access<sup>1</sup> Credit 13 contact hours – to be offered May/June Summer 2006

LIBR 559J – Issues in Electronic Scholarly Communications and Publishing . This is a 3 Credit courses; Simon Neame has been consulted to eliminate any overlap with Collections Management. The first possible time to offer the course is in January 2008

Will introduce a topics course then full Curriculum Review in 2008.

Vote to take forward above courses – unanimous.

### **Faculty Recruitment – Edie**

The Draft ad for recruiting was reviewed.

Edie pointed out that the ad was structured to attract a broader field of candidates for the 3 advertised positions.

Terry asked that some emphasis be given to the value of a Canadian context in the wording in the archival studies area. This was agreed.

### **Accreditation Update – Edie**

Preparations are on track.

Good attendance at the Accreditation Information Session. There will be a laminated poster displayed in the School so that the Students know what is happening and who the team are.

The timetable for the visit will be circulated – Faculty are asked to sign up for time slots with the Committee.

### **Distance Education Update**

Edie and Susie have been working with the now Office of Learning Technology to identify several new online courses for the summer of next year. Two courses have been selected for development:

Janet Wynn Edwards [LIBR 526 (3) Literature and Other Materials for Young Adults]  
Shirley Giggey [LIBR 562 (3) International Issues And Innovations]

A course in the archival studies area may also be developed at a later date.

The course developers will teach the courses at least the first time they are offered

#### SLAIS Committees

The committee lists and the charges and expectations for reporting were issued. No objections.

#### **Missions, Goals and Objectives**

The Mission, Goals and Objectives were reviewed. No changes were identified but they will be kept in mind during the planning process this year.

#### **Other Business**

Please pass on any good news re student honours and scholarships etc to Shirley.