

## OK-ACRL

December 8, 2006  
OU Schusterman Center, Tulsa

In attendance: Kate Corbett, Helen Clements, Rhonda Taylor, Jason Cimock, Kiem Ta, David Oberhelman, Lauren Donaldson, Tom Thorisch.

Guests: Kirsten Davis, Evelyn Rodgers, Candace Jackson, Darren Toby

The agenda and minutes of the previous meeting were distributed to the group. Kate passed around her write up of the conference which she will submit to national ACRL. The board introduced themselves to the Oklahoma University SLIS students visiting from Dr. Rhonda Taylor's classes. Kate welcomed the students and encouraged them to consider running for a position on the board in the future.

David moved to accept the minutes and Helen seconded. There were no corrections made and the minutes were accepted as submitted. Kiem presented the treasurers report. She reported an income of \$715.00 after the fall conference which brings the balance of the account to \$5,622.24.

### COIL Report

Tom reported that 25 people attended the workshop and approximately \$300.00 was collected after expenses. The workshop was very successful and received good evaluations. Several attendees remarked that they liked the format of the workshop which allowed them to work on specific issues.

The election results are in and Tom reported that Jamie Holmes will be the incoming Chair-Elect with Jason Dupree serving as the 2007 COIL Chair. Janet Bailey was elected Secretary.

Jason has lots of ideas for his term in office and would like to incorporate more virtual meetings. A link to COIL can be found on the Oklahoma ACRL website which he will be keeping updated.

### Newsletter

The next OK-ACRL newsletter publication date is January 15, 2007. Submissions should be emailed to Rhonda Taylor by January 3<sup>rd</sup>. Kate mentioned that the board is always happy to accept newsletter articles from other academic librarians and students are encouraged as well. Contributions will include:

David Oberhelman-a report on the conference and piece as the incoming president

Kate Corbett- outgoing president's letter

A list of incoming officers

Information on the forthcoming ACRL conference

List of academic librarians new to Oklahoma

## Fall 2006 Election Results

Vice President/President Elect: Laura Teske, Rose State College

Treasurer: Kiem Ta, OSU-Stillwater

Secretary: Lauren Donaldson, UCO

Board Member: Thomas Thorisch, OSU-Tulsa

Board Member: Jason Cimock, UCO

Kate thanked Helen Clements and Rhonda Taylor for serving as board members for the past two years. They will both be rotating off of the board as of January, 2007. Edwin Wiles will continue as a board member and Kate Corbett will serve as outgoing president next year. It was also announced that the proposed bylaws change passed.

The group decided not to hold a meeting in January. The next meeting will take place on February 9, 2007 at the Edmond Public Library. Lauren will reserve the meeting room and make lunch arrangements. David will send out a reminder email as we get closer to the next meeting date. He suggested that we may want to consider Rose State, Stillwater, and OSU-Tulsa as possible meeting locations in the future.

## Conference Recap

The evaluation results have been compiled. Overall the reviews were quite positive with several 5's received. There were several positive comments on all three speaker presentations and a few comments on the breakout sessions. Attendees responded favorably about the quality of the speakers and the conference topic.

Kate reported that she submitted a form to ACRL for our group to be reimbursed for Pam Snelson's hotel but she has not heard back from them yet. She will mail the check to Kiem Ta when she receives it. Kate congratulated the board on a team effort and thanked everyone for their help with the conference.

## New Interest Sections

Kate explained that COIL is currently the only special interest group that we have going at this time. The idea to possibly form a technical services group was mentioned a few months ago but it did not seem to draw much interest from the membership. Another idea is that OK-ACRL would sponsor "hot topic" discussion groups that would meet every other month. A different topic of interest to those in the academic library field would be chosen by members. David hopes to find people willing to organize each discussion group event with the idea being that the person volunteering to host the topic would be responsible for setting the date, finding a location, organizing and announcing the topic. He will send out an email in the near future to solicit interest in the idea and find out if anyone would be willing to host a discussion group. We want to stress that this is an informal ad-hoc special interest group.

Some possible topics were received at the conference:

Distance learning library services

Information technology  
Multicultural librarianship  
Private university librarianship

Tom mentioned that access services might be an interesting topic since many library employees work in this area but there is not currently a state group that represents them. Tom volunteered to organize this group.

#### Old Business

The issue of our 501 (c) (3) status came up again. Kate gave an update on the IRS paperwork and it is looking like the group may need to re-file for non-profit status.

#### New Business

David asked that anyone attending the ACRL conference in Baltimore be on the lookout for possible speakers for our conference. He also asked that the board begin thinking about topics, speakers, and conference locations so that we can be ready to discuss them at the next meeting. David would also like to ask Laura if she has any speakers to recommend from the MPLA Leadership Conference she recently attended.

Tom asked our students visitors what their expectations were for attending this meeting. The following are some of the replies he received:

“To meet other librarians from around the state”

“Find out what goes on behind the scenes”

“Impressed with the fall conference” and “interested to see what else you do”

Evelyn expressed thanks for being invited to the meeting and asked questions about the possibility of an ILL interest group. She also asked if students will be invited to the interest group discussions. Kate replied that students are definitely invited and the board agreed that it would be a good way to reach out to students and recent graduates. It was suggested that the discussion groups might also provide an opportunity for students to learn about the types of positions available within the field of academic librarianship. Rhonda mentioned that we might want to consider contacting Maggie Ryan at OU-SLIS when the time comes to market “hot topics” to the student population.

The meeting adjourned at 2:27 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Lauren Donaldson, Secretary