ARLIS/NA Twin Cities Chapter Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, June 6, 2006  
College of Visual Arts, Saint Paul

In attendance (14):  
Suzanne Degler (Minneapolis College of Art & Design)  
Heidi Eyestone (Carleton College)  
Rosemary Furtak (Walker Art Center)  
Jen Green (U. of MN, College of Architecture/Landscape Architecture)  
Kathy Heuer (College of Visual Arts)  
Stephanie Kays (Walker Art Center)  
David Malone (Saint John’s University)  
Jessica McIntyre (Perpich Center)  
Nancy Mamb (Minnesota Textile Center)  
Rebecca Moss (U. of MN)  
Amy Naughton (Minneapolis College of Art & Design)  
Kay Streng (Minneapolis College of Art & Design)  
Jill Vuchech (Walker Art Center)  
Jodi Walz (U. of MN, College of Architecture/Landscape Architecture)

New/potential members in attendance (3):  
Greta Bahnemann  
Christy Dent  
Rebecca Thayer

The Twin Cities chapter of ARLIS/NA gathered at the College of Visual Arts Administrative building on Summit Avenue in St. Paul, Tuesday, June 6 between 9:30 & 10 am for refreshments. Kathy Heuer, chapter president, called the meeting to order shortly after 10. The first item on the agenda was a request for comments and reflections from those present who attended the recent national conference in Banff. Greta Bahnemann, a first time attendee (to both the national conference as well as the chapter meeting) stated that she thought the speakers were well prepared, professional, and interesting. Suzanne Degler commented that while attendance was much lower than, for example, the NYC conference two years ago (~ 400 vs. 700) many she spoke with felt that in spite of the extra travel time & costs of getting to Banff it was well attended, had surpassed expectations, and were especially pleased by the number of West Coast members in attendance.

Kathy announced that the chapter’s recent bid to host a future national conference in the Twin Cities was well received by the ARLIS/NA administration. It is not yet known, however, if it would be scheduled for 2010 or 2011. The 2007 conference will be held in Atlanta and the 2008 in Indianapolis. The 2009 bid has come from Denver, and the ALIS/NA board is concerned about the concentration of conference venues in the middle & upper West. More should be known about the status of our chapter’s bid after the ARLIS/NA board meeting later this year and information will be shared at our fall meeting planned for November.

The second item on the agenda addressed ARLIS/NA’s requirements regarding chapter bylaws. Kathy reported that the ARLIS/TC bylaws are accurate, but that we have not always followed them to the letter in the area of membership. Specifically the bylaws state that to be a chapter member you must also be a member of the national organization. To ensure this, beginning in 2007 one sum to cover
dues will be paid to ARLIS/NA who will in turn pay out dues to the individual chapters. Kathy raised the possibility of creating the category of ‘guest member,’ for those not belonging to ARLIS/NA, an option that will be discussed more fully at our next meeting in the fall.

The chapter’s fall 2006 meeting will be held in November. The business meeting will be held at the Minneapolis College of Art & Design. A tour of the new Library at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts will follow led by Janice Lurie.

Elections for President & Secretary/Treasurer will be held at the fall meeting. Kathy Heuer and Kay Streng (president and sec/treas. Respectively) will form a nominating committee.

A few announcements were made:
- Deborah Ultan Boudewyns is expecting a baby in October
- Jill Vetter was married in March and is now know as Jil Vuchetich
- David Malone’s daughter was a contestant in the Scripp’s national spelling bee held in Washington, D.C.
- Greta Bahnemmmann (first time chapter meeting attendee) recently completed an ARLIS/NA sponsored internship at the New York Public Library.
- Other first time attendees were: Nancy Mambi, our newest chapter member from the Minnesota Textile Center, and Christy Dent and Rebecca Thayer, LIS interns at the Walker Art Center Library.

The meeting was adjourned. An architectural walking tour of the Ramsey Hill Historic area, in which the College of Visual Arts is located, led by Kathy Heuer immediately followed. Photographs taken along the tour route by Rebecca Moss and Kathy Heuer are included below.

Respectfully submitted,
Kay Streng
Minneapolis College of Art & Design

Below are some images from the tour. They are courtesy of Kathy Heuer, Lori Shimer and Rebecca Moss