

**ARLIS/NA Twin Cities Chapter Summer Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, July 30, 2012**  
**O'Shaughnessy-Frey Library, Room 303**  
**University of St. Thomas – St. Paul, MN**

**In Attendance (8)**

Christy Dent – University of St. Thomas  
Amelia Foster – Forecast Public Art  
Pam Harris – St. Catherine University  
Kathy Heuer – College of Visual Arts  
Kristen Mastel - University of Minnesota  
Jessica McIntyre – Minneapolis Institute of Arts  
Jessica Shaykett – American Craft Council  
Andy Sturdevant – Springboard for the Arts

Meeting commenced at 9:10 a.m. following introductions and a period of socializing and refreshments.

Introductory remarks were made by Christy Dent, chapter chair.

**1. Minutes from 05/10/2012**

Christy requested a motion on the approval of the minutes from the Spring 2012 meeting, held May 10 at the Forecast Public Art Library. Attendees were given an opportunity to review handouts of the minutes. Kristen Mastel motioned to approve the minutes and Kathy Heuer seconded.

**2. Treasurer's Report**

Jessica Shaykett, secretary/treasurer, reported the current balance of the chapter checking account to be \$749.05. Jessica reminded everyone that they could begin submitting dues for 2013 at the fall chapter meeting.

**3. Travel Scholarship for ARLIS/NA Annual Conference 2013**

The treasurer's report revealed that enough funding remains in the chapter checking account to sponsor a travel scholarship for the ARLIS/NA annual conference in Pasadena in 2013. There has not been a travel award given by the Twin Cities Chapter since 2010, as the 2011 conference was held in Minneapolis and no applications were received for the 2012 award. Christy opened the floor to a discussion of how much the award should be for this year. Suggestions ranged from \$250 to \$500. It was noted that in the past, the award was \$200. It was unanimously decided by the group that a slight increase - \$300 – should be the amount given in 2013 and we should try to be consistent with this amount in the future. An awards committee will be assembled at the fall meeting, the call for applications will go out around the first of the year, and the winner of the award will be announced at least eight weeks prior to the start of the Pasadena conference.

**4. Local Mentoring Program (continued discussion from spring meeting)**

Christy opened the floor to renewed discussion about adopting a local mentoring program. To begin, the question was raised as to what types of individuals might be interested in serving as either mentors or mentees. Students from St. Catherine's MLIS program and recent graduates were identified as potential mentees, as well as mid-career professionals and solo librarians. Possible mentors include established art librarians. The group decided the next step is to further identify actual members who are interested in mentoring. It was also agreed upon that the local mentoring program should be more informal than the national program. Suggestions of how to do this included voluntary matching (profiles of available mentors go on website and mentees reach out to anyone on the list) and/or an ARLIS/NA Twin Cities listserv where anyone can seek advice from more seasoned professionals. Kristen, Kathy, Jessica and Christy agreed to continue leading the discussion and consideration of ways in which a local mentoring program might be adopted in the future.

The discussion about mentoring led to a side conversation on how to reach out to art students in the community to make them aware of the resources available in the various art libraries outside their institutions. A few suggestions included partnering with MNartists.org to post information about ARLIS and member librarians, as well as posting in various local newsletters and creating a brochure to display at organizations like Springboard for the Arts.

**5. Call for nominations for 2013 chapter officers (chair-elect and secretary/treasurer)**

Christy issued a call for nominations for 2013 chapter officers. Anyone interested in the position or in making a nomination was asked to contact Christy for more information. It was noted that the position of chair-elect is a one year term and the position of secretary/treasurer a two-year term. 2013 officers will be nominated at the Fall 2012 meeting.

**6. Remembering Rosemary Furtak**

Christy called for a moment of silence in memory of Rosemary Furtak, who passed away on July 8<sup>th</sup>. Rosemary was the librarian at the Walker Art Center and a very active member of ARLIS/NA and the Twin Cities Chapter for 29 years. Christy also reminded those in attendance of the ceremony in Rosemary's honor to be held at the Walker on September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

**7. Reminders**

Christy reminded those in attendance of the featured librarian page on the website. A renewed call was also put out for internship opportunities to be posted on the website. Anyone interested in being a featured librarian/library, or in posting an internship, should send an email to [arlisnatc@gmail.com](mailto:arlisnatc@gmail.com).

**8. Tour of the American Museum of Asmat Art**

With the conclusion of all prior agenda items the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m. After the business meeting, attendees walked over to the American Museum of Asmat Art on the University of St. Thomas campus to partake in a lovely tour of the collection led by curator Julie Risser.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Shaykett