# ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE & RESEARCH LIBRARIES

#### COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGE LIBRARIES SECTION

Chicago
Executive Committee Meeting II
Minutes
Monday, June 27, 2005
Palmer House Salon X
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**ATTENDANCE:** Mary Carr, Chair; Alice Lubrecht, Awards Committee; Ann Campion Riley, Secretary; Lora Mirza, Newsletter Editor; Susan Maltese, Planning and Procedures; David Goble, Teaching and Learning; Kenley Neufeld, Webmaster; Ellen Sutton, Incoming Chair-elect; Linda Slusar, LTA committee; Christine Godin, Chair-elect, Mary Ann Sheble, Secretary-elect

#### CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

CJCLS Section Chair Mary Carr convened the session at 8:15 a.m. and welcomed all present.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved with a few changes, including addition of a discussion on committee structure.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the Executive Committee meetings in Boston were approved with minor corrections.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Orlando minutes indicate formation of an Advocacy Committee, which was postponed pending the larger committee structure discussion.

Discussion ensued on the revision of the section handbook. Ann Riley and Lora Mirza will work on revising it, with the emphasis on making it available on the web. Ann suggested using the Distance Learning Section online handbook for a model.

## **NEWSLETTER**

Editor Lora Mirza reported she will put out the next one on schedule in the fall.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Nominating**: New officer nominations for next year (to take office at Annual 2006) are Ellen Sutton, College of DuPage for Chair-elect/Vice-chair, and Mary Ann Sheble for Secretary.

**Awards:** Alice Lubrecht reported on the awards breakfast. For next year nominees/applicants are asked to send one electronic copy and one hard copy of their applications to the chair of the committee to make sharing them with the committee easier.

**Planning and Procedures:** The changes to the by-laws were approved. The newly proposed by-laws now begin the ALA approval process.

**Library Technical Assistant Programs:** Linda Slusar reported on the progress of seeking ALA accreditation for LTA programs. In Orlando ALA Council approved criteria for library technical assistant programs. Linda had developed a survey to be sent to programs across the country to gather information about them and possibly seek an accreditation system.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Mary and Christine talked about the planning and restructuring discussion. All agreed to streamlining the committee structure down to the committees needed to do the business of the section plus one more to be given a name such as Best Practices that would consider thematic issues and topics at the discretion of the section membership. Also mentioned were issues of greater connectivity with other sectors of higher education and ALA's strategic plans, need for more active leadership of committees, more attention paid to funding for people to attend ALA and an emphasis on virtual meetings.

At the planning session on Friday, issues identified to be addressed included the changing nature of many community colleges with the addition of bachelor's degree courses in some cases, the emphasis on developmental instruction, the increase in distance learning, the needs of diverse populations and more first generation college students, the need for involvement with other groups including the League, AACC and NISOD, first-year experience programs and increased connection with librarians and classroom faculty, innovations in information literacy programs, so-called partnership libraries such as Broward CC in Florida, who shares a library with a four-year school, and San Jose, CA, where a college and public library have a shared facility. Things people wanted to see for CJCLS included planning for future section leadership, more relevant programs and committees, and open access to section webpages without needing a membership number.

The discussion of a new committee structure will continue. A possible list of consolidated committees is: Awards, Nominating, Membership, Best Practices, Program Planning; Planning, Procedures and By-laws; and LTA Education.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 am. Next meeting is at Midwinter in San Antonio.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Campion Riley CJCLS Secretary 2005