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Library Forum Steering Committee Meeting
Thursday, March 29, 2012, Room 702 Olin

In attendance: Sally Lockwood, Jessica Withers, Jim Morris-Knower, Randi Kepecs (minutes)

Agenda:

Lance could not attend the meeting, but he sent his updates:

Updates from Lance:

- David Weinberger talk co-sponsored by LFSC set for Monday, April 16 from 1:30 to 3:00 in Clark 700 (Anne will be away, still working with Jeff Piestrak on getting someone to introduce the speaker (Oya and Dean are possibilities)
- Lance will forward information from Jeff about the talk that we can use to publicize this event in CU-Lib, etc. (digital sign?)
- Contacted Stephanie Wiles, new Art Museum director, who has agreed to speak at a Library Forum in May or June (still working on a date for this event)

David Weinberger Talk:

- Jeff Piestrak has sent the LFSC a copy of the blurb for the poster and announcement of the book talk which will be held on April 16th from 1:30-3 at 700 Clark Hall.
- The talk is also co-sponsored by: CUL Library Forum, Center for Engaged Learning and Research, Department of Communications, Department of Science and Technology Studies, Social Dynamics Lab, Networks Journal Club.
- Eisha will send a message to CU-Lib ASAP to publicize this event.
- Jeff is working on an ongoing Working Across Differences to Make a Difference programming series. He will let us know when more programs are scheduled around this theme.
- We are still working on who best to introduce the speaker. (see above).

Student Panel Update:

- Randi and Sally updated the committee on this panel which will take place on Tuesday April 26th from 1:30-3 in 700 Clark Hall.
- Although 4 students have responded to the call to volunteer through emails through SLAC, Engineering listerve, and others we still felt we needed to have more students volunteer in case there were students who did not show up.
- Sally and Randi put posters up at the circulation desk at Olin and Mann Library. To date, one student has responded.
- Eisha will send out a call to staff via CU-Lib asking staff what questions they have always wanted to ask students, and to submit questions to the LFSC email box.
- The questions obtained will be vetted before hand, with no guarantee that all questions sent will be answered.
- Sally (and perhaps Randi if students schedule permits) will meet and vet the students before hand.
- Jim did bring up the concept of having a “Plan B” in case there is an unexpected situation (no students show up, one becomes rowdy, etc).
- Sally will contact Cornell Daily Sun to see if they have interest in sending a reporter.

Library Worker Appreciation Day Song:

- Sally has met with Jim Speer and Shannon Lawrence, the coordinator for the 12 Chordials who will be singing this song which Jim has written for this occasion.
- The song will be filmed this Saturday from 9-11 am in Lincoln Hall.
- Rehearsals have been taking place this week.
- Matt Ryan will be in charge of the filming on Saturday. He is also incorporating still images to the video.
- It was suggested to send Matt and Jim a coffee card to thank them for all their time and effort into this project. All agreed.
- Gwen Glazer will distribute this 3-4 min. video on YouTube, Facebook and to have this be the spotlight on the CU Home Page.
- Sally will contact the Cornell Daily Sun to see if this may make an interesting story.
- Jessica has been in touch with Tiffany re: payment for the Chordials.

Tour of Art Museum:

- As Eisha was not at this meeting, this item is postponed.

Bowling Update:

- Jessica explained that the March date needed to be postponed.
- She found the staff at the Helen Newman bowling alley to be unresponsive in returning phone calls and emails,

LSFC to thank CDC for their successful programming:

- The committee did not discuss this at great length.
- All decided this was a good idea, and has not been done in the past.

Mann Destination Walk:

- Howard Raskin had between 30-35 people on his Mann Art Wellness Walk March 16th.
- For the first time on a wellness walk there were a number of people with mobility issues,
The feedback was excellent for this tour of the hidden gardens, artwork, and landscaping around Mann Library.

All agreed the Wellness Walks are excellent programming ideas and should be continued in the future.

This is the thank you note Jessica received:

- "Jessica. Thank you for arranging the Mann Library tour with Howard. He did a fantastic job of guiding us through both inside and outside the library. We were both surprised by the different ages and mobility levels of the attendees and he handled the challenge very well. He shared the history of sculptures both old and new, showed us hidden gardens and benches for relaxing and eating, and exposed us to some fantastic photography. Kudos to you both! He has a Thank you card coming through campus mail. – Kerry"/Kerry Howell, Assistant Director, CU Wellness Program, 254-2985

Career Development Week Committee Fair:

- Randi and Jessica represented LFSC at last week's Committee Fair.
- There was a very poor turnout – approx. 7 people showed up.
- In the future, this will not be a separate event, but will be added on during the Poster Session.
- Jessica made a wonderful Tri-fold poster which highlighted LFSC’s programs and activities.
- CDC will be sending out a mass “Call for Volunteers” to CU-Lib, but as LFSC members are elected, we cannot be included.

Succession Planning:

- Jessica has printed out a Timeline from the Wiki which outlines the process for this,
- The three outgoing members (Lance, Randi, Jessica) are the election sub-committee and are in charge of this,
- We can no longer use the Assembly voting system, and need to find an alternative,
- Tiffany will be a good resource for this,
- The wiki has the standard templates for finding volunteers,
- We discussed who has expressed an interest in serving on the Committee, Linda Bryan may also have suggestions.