

IAWA Board of Advisors Executive Board Meeting
Dean's Conference Room, Cowgill Hall, Virginia Tech
April 17, 2006

Present Heather Ball, Donna Dunay, Milka Bliznakov, Marcia Feuerstein (by phone), Amy Shaffer, Kay Edge

Minutes

- This morning Heather sent out a call for nominations. She also checked in with advisors with terms ending in 2006 to see if they want to go up for re-election. Lois Gottlieb wants to go up for another term.
- Milka submitted a letter that states she is no longer employed by the university, and therefore she cannot serve as an Advisor on the Board. She will be resigning at the next annual meeting.
- Milka referred to the current charter dated 12/5/05 in order to provide clarity on the election guidelines, which are different from our old bylaws. It was determined that, although the charter (12/05) has yet to be fully approved by the University – the Board did approve this charter and therefore we should operate with this document.
- Annual meeting dates proposed are: October 14th (working meeting) and October 15th (official Board meetings).
- Amy said she would speak with Gail about reserving library's hotel rooms for the meeting.
- Donna discussed the process of gaining University approval for the Charter. She is gathering information about other Charters before making any new proposals.
- Heather will resend the voting guidelines – the ones listed in the 12/05 charter document.
- Agenda items for the annual meeting: Marcia suggested putting more emphasis on the Working Meeting. Amy suggested putting the Archives tour first on the agenda for Saturday. A Friday afternoon/evening symposium is a possibility. Would also like to have an exhibit, maybe two exhibits (one at the Archive, and another at Cowgill).
- Kay recommended Nicole Shiaris as the next IAWA GA.
- Amy reported that Gail McMillan recently spoke with Pam Web who would like to donate to the IAWA 20 cubic feet of her papers.
- Donna discussed the possibility of collecting oral histories from women who donate collections to the Archive. Amy suggested we talk to Tamara Kennelly, a specialist on oral history who works in Special Collections (Tamara is VT's University Archivist). Donna plans to invite Tamara to the next meeting.

Minutes submitted by H. Ball.