SOURCE
Meeting Minutes
April 29, 2014

Officers Present:
Co-President, Mary Hussey
Co-President, Juliette Appold
Secretary, John Giganti
Archivist, Emma Ricciardi
Webmaster, Melissa Nemitz
Remote Access Specialist, Marion Ada Holland

The meeting came to order at 5:50 pm.
Attendance sheet and agenda were distributed.

I. Announcements

Mary and Juliette introduced themselves and welcomed attendees. Mary passed around the agenda and Juliette began the sign-in sheet. Announcements were made.

An internship is available at Drake House in Plainfield. The contact is Deb Schiff, Archivist 908-347-2025.

Newer SOURCE members who are not graduating were addressed about inheriting next year’s group. In addition to other positions, new leadership will be needed by December of this year.

II. Upcoming Events

Mary asked attendees to fill out the Survey Monkey for the May 9 SOURCE trip to the New Jersey State Archives.

Upcoming non-SOURCE events and workshops were announced via the meeting agenda and were made available for members to peruse. They include Preservation Week events at NYPL including: ‘Caring for Your personal Media’; ‘Star Books’; ‘The 3D Structure and Pop-out Books’. ALA Preservation Week is April 27 – May 3.

May, 13 is the 5th Annual Libraries of Middlesex (LMx) Unconference.

SAA Workshop: Achieving Email Account Preservation with XML [DAS]
Upcoming Exhibits include: printed scores and rare material from Handel; an exhibition on calligraphy at the Dana Library (Rutgers Newark), ‘Fran Manola: A Scribes Life’; Alexander Library’s (by archivist and professor, Erika Gorder) ‘Unheard-of Curiosities: An Exhibition of Rare Books on the Occult and Esoteric Sciences’. Mary asked the group to sign Erika’s guest book to show support.

III. MARAC Rochester, NY

Lawrence Lane told the group about his experience attending the Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference (MARAC) in Rochester, NY.

Fobazi Ettahr also discussed her involvement at MARAC as a panelist and presenter. She observed the conference was well run and was on the subject of feminism. She attended a wonderful exhibit on George Eastman.

Kristen Mapes also added that social responsibility, from a feminist perspective, is not discussed enough in our curriculum at SC&I. Kristen, whose specialty is digital humanities, added that documentation is key to navigating the history of an archive itself. This comment came up in a vibrant group discussion over the limitations of our attempts at objectivity.

IV. Archive of the Month

American Museum of Natural History (AMNH) Digital Collections

V. Closing

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20pm. Ideas and suggestions were solicited for future meetings, trips, etc. for the summer. This was the last meeting of the Spring 2014 semester. Thank you!

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