Mulsa 2002 annual meeting

University of Missouri Libraries Staff Association Mulsa annual meeting May 22, 2002 9:15 am-10:07 am Ellis Library Staff lounge

Minutes of the 2001 meeting read and approved by membership Reports were presented

Old business

A staff scholarship was voted down in the 2002 annual meeting and it was not a popular option in the MULSA survey.

The MULSA survey showed that Ellis Library staff considered parties the most important activity while the branches rated community service as the primary item. Continuing outreach to the branches will be a focus of the MULSA board.

New Business

Social: Karla Geerlings added to the Social Report that the leftover food from the last annual meeting was given to the St. Francis House. The annual picnic will be June 21, 2002. A sheet was passed around for volunteers to help with all the parties.

Board: The VP will not be President this time. Because of the unfilled vacancy at the VP position, Rachel Brekhus will serve another term as President, and Ruthe Morse will be the new VP.

Mulsa policy: Rachel met with Jim Cogswell, the Director of Libraries, about setting up a MULSA member-participation policy. Library Council noted on May 2, 2002 that Rachel Brekhus, Mike Cook and Jim Cogswell will work on the draft of this policy, and Leo Agnew will review this document to be sure it conformed to the University's HR guidelines. It will then have to go to Library Council for approval. The goal is to spread the various tasks among the executive board members and MULSA members so that no one person or department will carry the weight. The plan is to use ad-hoc committees for parties and continue to have a five-member staff lounge cleaning crew clean the lounge as a way to get more people involved. This policy will also establish the hours employees can work for MULSA, and it will include administration endorsement of MULSA.

In a meeting with Rachel Brekhus, Jim Cogswell expressed support for the idea that staff lounge duties might shift from MULSA to become the responsibility of the Ellis Library Administration office. It would be ideal to have a student clean the lounge, but with the current budget situation, a large pool of volunteers may need to clean the lounge.

Action

Name change: The membership voted 12-4 to keep the current name for MULSA. Perhaps the next board will discuss this issue further.

Election of officers: The following candidates were introduced, and with no nominations from the floor, the slate was elected.

Newly elected officers:

VP - Ruthe Morse
Secretary - Jack Batterson
Treasurer - Steven Clayton
Social Chair - Karla Geerling
Ellis Staff Lounge - Karen Eubanks
Courtesy - Cindy Cotner
Community service - Bob Lynn
Book sale - Wayne Sanders and Ruthe Morse
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Muse - Tammy Green

Troy Gordon suggested tours of the different branches from time to time. One person also mentioned that staff from the branches might want to tour Ellis Library's Technical Services Department.

The meeting adjourned at 10:07 am.

Submitted by Jack Batterson