

Mulsa April 15 2003
University of Missouri Libraries Staff Association
Executive Board Meeting
April 15, 2003
2:00-3:45 pm
Fourth Floor Conference Room

Present: Jack Batterson (recorder), Rachel Brekhus, Steve Clayton, Cindy Cotner, Karen Eubanks, Karla Geerlings, Ruthe Morse, Bob Lynn, Wayne Sanders
Absent: Tammy Green.

Reports

Staff lounge: Karen reported that we now have hot water in the lounge. Although it was not working, Karen reported the problem to the Administration office, and it was working the next day.

Community chair: Bob Lynn stated that he sent another Blue Bird box of donated clothes and toys to the California, Missouri, address provided by Tammy Green. Bob will email Steve the cost of postage.

Muse: "The Muse" was well-received by the Board, and Rachel heard some nice things about this most recent issue.

Treasurer: The Board discussed I-bonds and decided that the treasurer's time was more important than the better rate MULSA would get on the I-bond. The Board decided to go with a new CD at the Credit Union. We currently have a 2-year CD at 4.7%. The new CD would be at the 1.83% rate. Steve will find out when the current CD matures.

Old Business

Coffee Bar:

Rachel announced that the MU Libraries gateway has a link to the coffee bar naming contest and the winner will get a \$25 gift certificate to University Bookstore. Rachel, Bob Lynn, and June DeWeese, Head of Access Services, are members of the ad hoc committee on naming the coffee bar. This committee will give the entire list of possible names to Jim Cogswell at the end of the contest with its three favorite names highlighted. Jim will make the final decision.

Earth Day Party:

People liked the subs we bought from Subway for \$150, although Rachel considered them to be expensive. Next time, Mulsa might want to buy the ingredients for subs and have each person make his/her own. Karla has a small professional meat cutter available for use. Low turnout at the party was due to its being on the same day as the Division Heads meeting. These Division Heads meet either every Thursday or every other Thursday, and, after each meeting, they go out for lunch. MULSA held a poetry contest at the party, and one person got 15 of 17 answers right. That person won a free poetry book.

MULSA chose Subway because of its price and because they used more earth- friendly products. Melissa Skinner, of serials check-in, helped with this party, and she will be willing to help in the future on an ad hoc basis. In the future, we might want to consider charging for this event if we need funding.

Rachel thought it would be wise not to include language in the constitution saying that MULSA must have an Earth Day party. Each year, the Board could decide if it wants to have this party.

New business:

MULSA has an employer ID number attached to Ruthe's name as President. Bob Almony is the IRS contact person in case there is any question about the paper work.

Rachel has recycled paper in her office for the next social chairperson.

Recruitment:

MULSA discussed possible candidates for MULSA positions. Rachel said that she

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definitely does not want to be VP, because it would set a bad precedent.

Annual meeting:

Set for 2:30 on Monday, May 5, 2003. This is a day Jim Cogswell would be available. Karla will provide donuts, bagels, orange juice, and punch. Rachel will look in her box for MULSA pamphlets and will try to find out what happened to the pamphlets we had made. Rachel and Jack will look for the MULSA letterhead logo. Karla said that she needs a printed copy of the MULSA logo so that she can scan it into a program we currently use at Ellis. The board discussed possible candidates for the various positions.

Annual picnic:

Karla will call Columbia Parks and Recreation to reserve a shelter. Rachel will send Karla the dates of ALA to avoid any conflict with that date. Karla mentioned the pros and cons of holding the picnic at Cosmo vs Bethel. Bethel is more private and has all three shelters are reserved for us. Cosmo is more accessible. After the meeting there was further discussion about why fewer people attended the annual picnic than last time.