

SIS Student Organization Meeting

Friday November 9, 2007

6:00 p.m.

Playback:

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Those in Attendance:

Cheryl Cranick (leader)

Allison Bassett (leader)

Sarah Hilker

Jamie Osborn

Jason Roberts

Melanie Taylor

Melissa Rawlston

Laura Starratt

Meeting Started: 6:07 pm

We have decided this is the last meeting for the semester. We will meet again in mid to late January.

Sarah: Fall Picnic overview – Everything went well with the picnic. We had roughly 20-25 people there throughout the day. No recreational games took place, but that was fine – lots of food and chatting together. Sarah brought some pumpkins from home for décor; we had three (or four?) jack-o-lanterns (which was very cool). Parking signs with balloons were set up from the front entrance – next year we need to make sure the back entrance is covered as well. SIS offered \$50 for decorations reimbursements, but it wasn't really necessary to take advantage of because all of the décor was already available and no money was spent in getting them. It was nice to see all of the faculty members at the picnic that could come – Dr. Normore, Dr. Mehra, Dr. Cortez, Dr. Wang, Dr. Sandusky, and Dr. Bilal. Thanks to all who brought food, drinks and supplies, helped clean up, and attended!

Allison/Melanie: ASIST Brown Bag overview – Not very good attendance – three people or so other than Allison, Bo and Dr. Mehra. The brownbag was about the ASIST conference and all that happened there.

Cheryl: SLA Brown Bag overview – Not very good attendance either – only two people in attendance with a great slate of presenters! It is very unfortunate that these great Special Library speakers were missed. Cheryl took notes – the event went on as planned despite the lack in attendance – and will attach them to SLA's web page on SIS's website. The date of the event overlapped with the Oak Ridge National Library tour (which had a large attendance number) possibly detracted from attendance to the brownbag. Somehow there was a mix up with those dates – we didn't realize they were going to overlap in such a way and we hope the calendar proposal for next semester (see end of the minutes) will help ensure this does not happen again.

Jamie: Resume cover letter workshop future event & TLA news and update –

Resume/Cover letter workshop will be November 29 – 30th. Info will be sent to the listserv about it and also will be posted to TLA's web page on the SIS website. First, Jamie will ask students to look at the career website that Dr. Pemberton and Dr. Robinson put together. Students who want to participate in the resume/cover letter workshop will set up an appointment to meet with either Dr. Pemberton or Dr. Robinson to discuss their resumes and cover letters. The students will email their resume/cover letter three days or so before the appointment occurs. Meetings about the resumes will be about 30-45 minutes long. DE students have the option of talking over the phone for the meeting. Campus students can also call on the phone if they would like.

The East Tennessee TLA chapter has asked SIS TLA to present at the ETLA January meeting which will take place at a restaurant or other informal site in Knoxville. (Date and location to be announced later, when more information is known). The presentation will be about Web 2.0 applications currently being used in libraries. Hopefully, Bo Link is going to help present some information about Web 2.0 tools currently on SIS's website. Web 3.0 may be discussed in the presentation as well. If you would like to help with this presentation, whether a TLA member or not, please let Jamie know by emailing josbor10@utk.edu.

TLA has a great "get a member" campaign going on right now - \$10 goes toward your membership or the annual TLA conference fee if you recruit a TLA member. The campaign runs through January 31st. Memberships run Jan-Dec.

Sarah: ALA News and Update – Midwinter meeting is coming up on January 11 – 16 in Philadelphia. The annual conference starts June 26th and is in Anaheim, CA. There are multiple student grants available for it and those can be found at <http://discuss.ala.org/marginalia/2007/09/25/travel-grants-for-attending-annual-conference>.

Also, ALA's scholarship offerings for next year are open and many are due in March (for the 2008 Fall year) – please see <http://www.ala.org/Template.cfm?Section=scholarships&CFID=62647433&CFTOKEN=94207407>.

If you're a new member of ALA, Sarah gave a reminder to check out their new member round table – <http://www.sis.utk.edu/files/nmrt%20brochure.pdf>.

Cheryl: SLA News and Update – Southern Appalachian Chapter of SLA information can be found on the SIS website (SLA's page). There are online courses available through SLA such as New Certificate Programs for KM Professionals, Managing Digitization Projects, and 90 Minutes to Beyond Taxonomy– on SLA's page, click on "Professional Development." Cheryl believes that one computer = one site cost, meaning you can get a group together to use one computer to take the course and only have to pay the one site cost.

The SLA 2008 Leadership Summit, equivalent to a midwinter Conference, is happening January 23-26, 2008 in Louisville, KY.

Allison: ASIST News and Update -

Next Meeting: January – tonight was this semester’s last meeting.

Cheryl, Jamie and Sarah talked about many things we’d like to do to make some changes for next semester at the end of the meeting. Here were some of the things we came up with:

Make a calendar at the beginning of the semester with all of the University event dates and SIS event dates (and conferences and meetings, etc) for the entire semester to better plan our meetings and events. Pass this calendar around to all officers.

Cheryl, Allison, Jamie and Sarah will talk over Christmas break to decide all meetings for the semester ahead of time and then present the entire calendar to all officers for final approval. Hopefully this will allow officers and members to plan ahead and keep their calendars clear for meeting dates, particularly since we are going to try to find a permanent site for our meetings on campus where food can be brought and people can meet physically (and wireless on campus is available for DE participation).

Look for a place for the meetings to be at on campus, where we can take food, and have a social meeting. Perhaps we can have this place reserved ahead of meetings, far in advance (since we will know our meeting dates) so that we won’t have to scramble for a place when the meeting approaches. We thought maybe the International House (where the storytelling class has their readings) room would work well. Sarah is going to call them on Monday to see about their reservation policies. If that doesn’t work, we’re thinking about a room in Hodges. Jamie also mentioned the meeting rooms in the public library branches, which are free to nonprofit groups and allow food.

Next semester we will designate particular meetings as “Recruiting meetings” where individuals interested in becoming officers can come to learn more and let us know of their interest, possibly entering their name for the election at the end of the year.