ARLIS/NA NW Annual Spring Business Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, April 13, 2022
11:00 AM PT
Location: Online via Zoom

Agenda Items:

- Welcome and land acknowledgment by Chair Allison Comrie.
    - https://native-land.ca/
    - https://www.whose.land/en/?npi
- Executive Committee Introductions
- Guest Attendee Introductions
- Matters Arising
    - Website migration to the Humanities Commons and email listserv migration
    - Sunset social media accounts
    - Annual fall meeting: in-person or virtual preferences
- Chair's Update
- Pierre B. Landry, ARLIS Canada Representative Update
- Stephanie Grimm, ARLIS/NA Chapter Liaison Update
- Member's Roundtable Reports
    - Share annual conference experiences and institution updates

Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome, introductions of executive and guests
   Allison acknowledged the traditional Indigenous heritage of the lands she was on and invited others to identify the lands that they occupied at the time of the meeting.

2. Matters Arising
    a. Website migration to the Humanities Commons and email listserv migration
    PeggySue shared the process of moving the NW chapter website from the WordPress site to the Humanities Commons where all ARLIS/NA and subsidiary web content will be hosted. The current site had a theme that was on the approved list so we kept it.

ACTION: Once the site is in place, PeggySue and Sylvia will review the site for necessary edits.

Sylvia reported that the NW chapter listserv will also be moved to the Humanities Commons platform in the near future. Options are currently being reviewed to preserve the listserv histories for the chapter email lists.

b. Sunset social media accounts
Members agreed to sunset Instagram and Facebook accounts, in favor of contributing to the ARLIS/NA accounts. Plans for this will be made and shared with chapter members prior to execution.

ACTION ALL: Consider content that might be useful for archives.

c. Annual fall meeting: in-person or virtual preferences
We can't know what COVID will be doing in autumn 2022. It might be optimal to plan a hybrid meeting, holding the business meeting and keynote online and having an in-person meeting with tours/visits for those who are interested.

Dan McClure re-stated his invitation to host the fall meeting in Astoria OR, describing the significant history of the region and the strong local arts scene, including an arts walk on the 2nd Saturday of each month. Astoria is a 3 hour drive from Seattle, 2 hour drive from Portland, a 4 hour bus ride from Portland.

We'll plan to check-in about this in mid-summer, in order to allow enough time to enable program planning.

3. Allison Comrie (Chair), Chapter Update
Tania Williard's talk from the 2021 fall meeting is now available on Kaltura and will be linked from the chapter web site after it's transitioned to the Humanities Commons.

Acknowledged contributors to the NW Chapter history slide show, excerpts of which were included in the Chicago conference slide show.

ACTION: Allison will seek permission to share some version of the Northwest Chapter slides on the chapter web site.

4. Pierre B. Landry, ARLIS Canada Representative Update
Pierre was not able to attend so will provide updates at follow-up round-table meeting

5. Stephanie Grimm, ARLIS/NA Chapter Liaison Update

Implementing the blended memberships has been a priority for ARLIS/NA HQ but it's been difficult to implement Canadian currency for member categories. Chapter treasurers should be able to intervene in the process but details are still being determined.

Another cross-border chapter is being considered with a working group having been formed and consultations with NW Chapter executive happened in January 2022. There is not provision for cross-border chapters in the ARLIS/NA by-laws.

The Humanities Commons implementation is being rolled out with chapter web sites being converted to the new platform first. Listservs will be addressed in the next step. Work is being done to establish a policy on web accessibility (e.g. adding transcripts for video content). Attempts are being made to standardize processes for adding documents, conference proceedings and other typical web content.

At the ARLIS/NA AGM a motion was passed to require transparency in salary ranges for job postings on ARLIS-l. Work continues with the HQ manager on the job listings and in developing an educational document for institutions who wish to post.

Additional work by the ARLIS/NA Board of Directors includes a statement on solidarity with Ukranian libraries, the final report by the Anti-racism task force (including the implementation of a standing anti-racism committee with accountability for recommendations), statement on the right to unionize and collective bargaining and strategic planning, including the development of a mission statement, vision, values, etc.

6. Member's Roundtable Reports, Chicago conference experiences

Business meeting content consumed the time allowed for this meeting. Members in attendance expressed an interest in meeting again for a roundtable, early in May.

ACTION: The NW executive will discuss timing for this event and send an announcement to the listserv.

UPDATE: A Northwest Chapter members roundtable meeting was held on May 4, 2022. No minutes were recorded.