

Minnesota Innovative Users Group
Steering Committee Meeting
Wednesday, March 8, 2006
Anodyne Coffeehouse - Minneapolis, MN

Present:

Eric Hinsdale (Gould Library, Carleton College), Chair
Deb Bergeron (CLIC-College Libraries in Consortium)
Sarah Johnston (St. Olaf College Libraries)
Jim Vogt (Saint Paul Public Library)

Absent:

Peggy Woodling (Minneapolis Public Library)

Next Steering Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 4

2:00 p.m., CLIC Office, old Gordon School Building, 1619 Dayton Avenue, Saint Paul,
55104 (One block west of Snelling Avenue, one block south of Marshall Avenue)

Officer Positions

Steering Committee Officer positions for 2006:

Eric Hinsdale, Chair
Deb Bergeron, Chair-Elect
Sarah Johnson, Treasurer
Jim Vogt, Secretary

Treasurer's Report

The report will be presented at the next Steering Committee Meeting by Sarah. Eric will arrange for the transfer of the files from Sharon Kinsmith (MPL) to Sarah.

Jim will forward a sample Treasurer's Report to Sarah.

Sarah will check with Sharon concerning the annual fee that must be paid by Minnesota Non-Profit agencies.

Membership

Sarah will confirm with Sharon the names of member libraries that have paid 2006 membership dues. A follow-up letter will be sent to member organizations that have not yet paid. Per the bylaws, organizations that have not paid by the end of March may be taken of the membership roles.

Following the next Steering Committee meeting, an up-to-date roster of member organizations will be given to Ron Joslin (Macalester College) for posting to the MN-IUG website.

Eric contacted the three newest Innovate library organizations in Minnesota - Lake Agassiz Regional Library, Northwest Regional Library, and Pioneerland System - inviting them to become members of MN-IUG.

International Innovative Users Group Meeting

The 2006 International IUG meeting scheduled for Denver is later in the calendar year than usual, May 19-22. The Steering Committee agreed that the Spring MN-IUG Conference should continue to follow the International Conference on the calendar. A preliminary date for the MN-IUG Conference is Thursday, June 1.

Best wishes from the Steering Committee to our Chair, Eric Hinsdale, who will be presenting a session on creating custom search forms at the International IUG!

Spring MN-IUG Conference

The Steering Committee hopes to hold the Fall 2006 Conference at the new Minneapolis Public Library building in downtown Minneapolis, or at another Twin Cities location. Based on positive comments from evaluations of past conferences, the Steering Committee hopes to hold the Spring Conference at St. Olaf College in Northfield. Sarah will check into the availability of space at the Buntrock Center.

As in year's past, the Spring Conference will be a half-day event with lunch on-your-own. While school will not be session, a couple of dining options will be still be open and available for lunch in Buntrock, and another dining establishment is within walking distance. Sarah will follow-up with more information on the various options.

The Conference's agenda will most likely follow last year's pattern: Welcome, Keynote, news from the Denver IUG (roundtable re-cap), lunch, optional tour of St. Olaf Library, Breakout A (two options), Breakout B (two options), Social Hour. Also in keeping with year's past, the Spring Conference will use "local talent." As funding permits, paid and/or out-of-town speakers will be asked to present at the larger Fall Conference.

Possible Keynote: "The Future of the OPAC" (Deb will follow-up on this idea)

Possible Break-Out Topics:

- Collaborative Collection Development
- Social Software / Collaborative Software
- Innovative and Smaller & Mid-Size Libraries / Working with an outside IT Department (Deb will contact Debbie Kitt of Carver County about being a presenter.)
- Possible Social Hour: Refreshments with an opportunity to meet with other attendees in similar job positions

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Vogt
Secretary, MN-IUG