

Washington Preservation Initiative
Advisory Group Minutes
Dec. 12, 2003, University of Washington

Present: Gary Menges, UW Libraries, Chair
Linda Pierce, Gonzaga University (by phone)
Eric Palo, Renton Technical College
Kathryn Hamilton Wang, WSL
Lee Dirks, Microsoft (by phone)
Jill Bourne, Seattle Public Library
Susan Barrett (WSL Project Manager)

Absent: Gudrun Aurand, WSU

Preservation Needs Survey

A survey draft had been submitted by OCLC and was examined closely by the group. The many suggested changes were compiled by Gary and sent to Tim Claeson, to be incorporated. Gary volunteered to draft a cover letter and an introduction. Comments made by the group during the ensuing month were also to be sent to OCLC.

Grants

The eleven applications for 2003 preservation grants have been reviewed and the applicants selected. After approval by the Office of the Secretary of State, the applicants will be notified, by email from Susan and later by an official letter, with a contract to follow. A packet sent to each will enumerate the quarterly report of activities expected from each library. A list of the libraries will be added to the preservation web page.

Successful applicants:

Everett Public Library	\$7,000
University of Washington (Special Collections, Film)	\$20,000
Washington State University	\$20,000
Museum of History & Industry (Sophie Frye Bass Library)	\$13,764
Seattle Public Library	\$19,360
Gonzaga University	\$ 8,000
Ellensburg Public Library (partial funding)	\$11,876 (\$19,588)

Workshops

March—Preservation Fundraising and Grant Writing—had been intended for May but was switched to enable attendance prior to WPI and NEH Preservation Assistance grant cycles for 2004. Lee Price from CCAHA will be the trainer. Dates will be Monday, March 15 in Seattle and Wed. March 17 in Spokane.

April—a special one-week BALBOA training will take place at the UW, not sponsored by WPI.

May—An informal solicitation for a photographic preservation trainer will be conducted.

June—Saving Family Treasures, by Sheryl Davis of UC Riverside. Arrangements are pending for this half-day workshop, with the Seattle location perhaps to be the new Central Library of the Seattle Public Library.

August—Basic Collection Repair—SOLINET will send Tina Mason and another trainer; they feel they must limit to 24 attendees. Group felt that staff who will have the eventual hands-on duty should have the first opportunity to attend, with registration perhaps at first to be limited to one per library. WPI will include in SOLINET's fee the \$15 per seat which they usually charge for materials.

Other Grant Possibilities

Gary mentioned the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Preservation Assistance grants of \$5,000, with applications due May 1.

Next Agenda

Consideration of 2004 WPI grant guidelines
Preservation Needs Survey
Workshops
Public library outreach

The next meeting will be held Friday, Feb. 6, 2004, at the UW, Allen Library 428A., at 10 am.