

Washington Preservation Initiative
Advisory Group Minutes
August 16, 2006, Conference Call

Present: Gary Menges, UW Libraries, Chair
Gudrun Aurand
Lee Dirks, Microsoft (in part)
Eric Palo, Renton Technical College
Linda Pierce, Gonzaga University
Kathryn Hamilton Wang, WSL
Susan Barrett (WSL Project Manager)

Absent: Jill Bourne, Seattle Public Library

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, August 30, 2006, 2 pm

Workshop Update

A hands-on Basic Book Repair workshop, offered by Kris Kern and Carolee Harrison of Portland State University, was held August 4th in Camas and will be held August 18th in West Richland. All twelve attendees are expected to attend, and have been sent reminders to notify if they cannot. The size of the waiting list, seven people, including representatives from the host library, prompted a query about the teachers' availability in September. Happily, we were able to settle on Friday, Sept. 22, when another workshop will be given in the Tri-Cities area. Book repair tool kits are available to be distributed.

The last of the four Caring for Scrapbooks Live Online classes from Solinet will be offered Monday, Aug. 21, with all 15 seats full.

Registration continues for the Photographic Negatives workshops with Gary E. Albright on Sept. 6 and 7.

Remaining Budget and Reports

Grant funds are to be expended by Aug. 18th, with invoices to follow for September payment. We are awaiting the last OCLC invoice and IPI has been reminded to send one for the data loggers. When the final OCLC report on the WPI preservation surveys has been received, it will be sent on to the Advisory Group.

Solinet will bill in September for the four Live Online Preserving Scrapbooks classes, and the book repair teachers in one invoice after their last class. Gary Albright will also bill on a single page "package" invoice, rather than by reimbursements. We have been able to provide a kit of book repair tools to the class attendees, with great appreciation, and at Gary's suggestion have also offered such a kit to the smallest public libraries in the state, 15 of which have accepted. These are in the process of being ordered.

Ordering a copy of Heritage Preservation's new "Field Guide to Emergency Response", without an accompanying salvage wheel, since these have recently been distributed, may be possible, if the ordering, receipt, and distribution could be achieved within September. Gary will be obtaining purchase costs for bulk orders.

Tom Clareson's Proposal for a Telephone Survey

A draft contract has been submitted for approval, to be sent on to Tom.

Wrap-Up Meeting / Cooperative Preservation in Washington after WPI

See August 2nd minutes for Gary's compiled list of potential interested organizations; time constraints postponed this discussion until another time.

There is no official word yet on the possibility of funds for preservation grants in the 2007 fiscal year. Budget requests from 2006 continuing programs are currently being analyzed. The Library Council of Washington meets on Sept. 14; decisions about 2007 funds will likely be made after that time (dependent upon Congressional appropriations for the 2007 federal budget).