

Washington Preservation Initiative
Advisory Group Minutes
August 30, 2006, Conference Call

Present: Gary Menges, UW Libraries, Chair
Gudrun Aurand
Lee Dirks, Microsoft (in part)
Eric Palo, Renton Technical College
Susan Barrett (WSL Project Manager)

Absent: Jill Bourne, Seattle Public Library
Linda Pierce, Gonzaga University
Kathryn Hamilton Wang, WSL

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2006

Workshop Update

A third hands-on Basic Book Repair workshop, offered by Kris Kern and Carolee Harrison of Portland State University, will be held September 22 at the West Richland Branch of the Mid-Columbia Regional Library. All twelve seats are filled, and at the moment there is no waiting list. Book repair tool kits are available to be distributed, and more have been ordered for the small public libraries' distribution.

The last of the four Caring for Scrapbooks Live Online classes from Solinet was offered Monday, Aug. 21, with all 15 seats full. Solinet shared the participants' electronic evaluations, in an Excel format, with Susan, who converted them to a Word document which you have been sent. The invoice for the four Scrapbooks classes is expected in September, since Solinet bills in the month following the event.

The Photographic Negatives workshops with Gary E. Albright will take place on Sept. 6 and 7, in Seattle and in Cheney.

Remaining Budget and Reports

The OCLC invoice, and the final assessment report, will soon arrive, and the report will be distributed to the Advisory Group. IPI invoice is still awaited; it was suggested that Susan remind them again that funding is ending and we will be unable to pay after mid-October. In addition to the Solinet bill, Gary Albright plans to send in a single "package" bill soon after his Photographic Negatives classes take place.

There was discussion about ordering copies of Heritage Preservation's new "Field Guide to Emergency Response", without an accompanying salvage wheel, since the wheels have recently been distributed. Eric felt that this was an important resource, which some

libraries might not order on their own. He offered to do the distribution to the community college libraries.

Tom Clareson's Proposal for a Telephone Survey

A contract has been sent on to Tom and PALINET, with the full "boiler-plate" provisions which have troubled other speakers (Washington car insurance, unemployment insurance, etc.). Tom is contacting OCLC to see about remaining records from his first survey.

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).