Friends of the University Libraries, Minutes January 9, 2012, 111 East Hall

Present: Susan Steuer, presiding; Jessica Beach, Sharon Carlson, Greg Fitzgerald, Kathleen Garland-Rike, Randle Gedeon, Joyce Zastrow.

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 by Steuer.

Welcome and Announcements
Steuer welcomed everybody. Smith was not able to attend, but Buckner had budget reports.

Approval of Agenda
The agenda was approved as presented. (Fitzgerald/Zastrow)

Approval of Minutes
The minutes were approved as presented. (Fitzgerald/Zastrow)

Budget
Steuer went over the budget. There has been a new member and a renewal. The first memorial funds for James Dexheimer are also starting to arrive. Steuer suggested that the funds in the memorial be designated for something in the new Legacy Collections Facility. The consensus was that this was a good idea.

New Business

Publication/Web Committee

Friendly Notes – Steuer reviewed the publication. The featured photo will continue to include bookplates. Carlson will provide a bookplate from Charles Starring and will provide some biographical information. Steuer is working with Gerow to update and improve the mailing list. Steuer also has a set of mailing labels. Carlson will get the minutes to Lib-Web and they should be up by February.

Events Committee

We’re in good shape for all of the upcoming events. Steuer reviewed the upcoming speakers, including Michael Nassaney and Jen Bervin. The volunteer reception will be in June which will include anybody who has donated time, materials, or funds. Steuer does not have the speakers lined up for the annual meeting. Steuer is still working on the Behind the Scenes program for next spring and the 1893 World’s Fair Speaker.

Awards Committee

Garland-Rike and Fitzgerald met with Joseph Reish and Sara Volmering who were part of the review team. There are eight applicants and there were two clear winners. The winners will be announced at the end of the week after Buckner reviews the applicants for eligibility.

Book Club

Steuer has been talking to Kevin Barton, a student in Digitization. They would like to see their numbers increased. They are getting together and talking about what they are reading and having a great time. Barton is very enthusiastic.
Old Business

Archives Update

Carlson provided an update on the planning for a building with a reduced footprint. Initial plans slashed the reading room and reduced staff space. Reish supported the archival programming. There will be meetings with the SHW Group, library staff, and facilities management staff. Houghton provided an update on the developments at East Hall. The developer has developed a local team, and several members have been through East Hall over the last month. It isn’t known if the developer will get the $100,000,000 state money that has replaced the brown field and historic tax credits.

The meeting adjourned at 2:36. The minutes were taken by S. Carlson.