Present: Cindy Ashwill, Alistair Black, Cathy Blake, Stephen Downie, David Dubin, Miles Efron, Jon Gant, Les Gasser, Larry Jackson, Kathryn LaBarre, John MacMullen, Bonnie Mak, Jerry McDonough, Kate McDowell, Rae-Anne Montague, Carole Palmer, Allen Renear, Dan Schiller, Sue Searing, Linda Smith, Diana Stroud, Carol Tilley, Vetle Torvik, Mike Twidale, John Unsworth, Terry Weech, Martin Wolske; student representatives: Fredrick Lugya, Emily Shaw, Richard Urban; guests: Amani Ayad, Xiaozhao Deng, Meg Edwards, Sharon Irish

Dean Unsworth called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

I APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The September 2, 2009 faculty meeting minutes were approved as written.

II DEAN'S REPORT
A. Welcome visiting scholar Xu Xiao Xiong, and new masters student representative Fredrick Lugya - Fredrick Lugya was welcomed. Xu Xiao Xiong (not in attendance) was also welcomed to GSLIS.
B. Remaining faculty meeting dates for AY09-10: 11/4/09, 12/9/09, 2/10/10, 3/3/10, 4/7/10 (1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.), 5/5/10 - as noted. All meetings will be held 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. in Room 131 LIS unless otherwise stated.
C. Remaining faculty diet dates for AY09-10: 10/30/09, 11/20/09, 12/18/09 (5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. with spouses/ significant others), 2/26/10, 3/12/10, 4/8/10, 5/7/10 - as noted. All meetings will be held 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. at John Unsworth’s home unless otherwise stated.
D. CCFD update - This year’s Campus Charitable Fund Drive kicked off on Monday, 9/21/09, and concludes Friday, 11/13/09. The Dean sent an email to faculty and staff on 9/22/09 and 10/7/09 containing information about donation opportunities and options. The first report coffee was held on Friday, 10/2/09 and GSLIS was at 5% of its participation goal. The CCFD goal for GSLIS is $21,851. More information about the CCFD and giving opportunities may be found online at: http://www.ccfd.illinois.edu/
E. Non-University Activity Reports completed - A few reports still need to be submitted.
F. Ethics training period is October 5 through November 3 - Training is to be completed on-line per instructions in campus’ recent email instructions. Faculty were urged to complete their training as early as possible. Significant, and possibly severe, penalties may apply to those who either fail to comply or comply late. Contact Dorlene or Candy with questions.
G. Major proposal and Ph.D. proposal - The undergraduate Informatics major was removed from consideration by the Faculty Senate on Monday, October 5. The Dean is in discussion with the Educational Policy Committee and other departments providing input to the Senate on the program proposal and anticipates the proposal will be voted on at the next Faculty Senate meeting on November 9. The proposal for the Informatics major will be discussed at the next GSLIS faculty meeting on November 4. The Informatics doctoral proposal cleared the Faculty Senate on Monday, October 5.
H. General announcements - Christian Sandvig, Associate Professor, Communications and Brant Houston, Professor, Journalism have requested zero percent faculty appointments with GSLIS.

III ASSOCIATE AND ASSISTANT DEANS’ REPORTS
A. Allen Renear - Research Services will begin providing information to MS students, including LEEP students, interested in participating in research projects.
B. Linda Smith - Approximately 300 students will be at GSLIS October 15 - 19 for LEEP on-campus sessions. Virtual registration for spring will be available mid-October and faculty were alerted that they may receive questions from students regarding spring courses.
C. Cindy Ashwill - The School’s new website design is progressing with the completion of the visual identity expected by the end of October, and the rollout of the final web design expected in January 2010. The website team consists of Cindy Ashwill, Kim Schmidt, and Garret Gengler. Faculty were asked to send
any awards that were received during the 2008-2009 academic year to Cindy for review for the Chancellor’s Annual Recognition Dinner in the spring.

D. Erik Hege - was not in attendance; no report was presented.

E. Rae-Anne Montague - Faculty were reminded to send their office hours to Sally Eakin for the webpage. Open forums with new MS students are being held in order for them to voice any concerns about their experience at GSLIS. The community bulletin boards on Moodle are being reviewed and will soon be updated. LEEP on-campus is October 15 - 19 and is an excellent opportunity for faculty to get in touch with LEEP students. All faculty are invited to the LEEP dinner on Saturday, October 17 at 6:00 p.m. at the University YMCA.

F. Diana Stroud - The ILA Annual Reception is October 8 in Peoria, IL.

IV STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

A. Master's students noted a request from LEEP students about the opportunity to work on research projects and have been in contact with Allen Renear. Fredrick has also been in contact with Sue Searing regarding database searching questions, Meg Edwards regarding faculty contact concerns, and Linda Smith regarding LEEP scheduling and class concerns.

B. CAS students reported that some CAS students feel detached from GSLIS and Emily has been in contact with the Dean and Rae-Anne Montague regarding a program to resolve this issue.

C. Ph.D. students had nothing to report.

V COMMITTEE/PROGRAM REPORTS

A. Admissions Committee - Information on the campus appeals process for admissions was discussed and an email outlining the details will be sent to all core faculty.

B. Curriculum Committee - The curriculum committee is working with Martin Wolske to design more studio courses as well as assign permanent course numbers to some of the LIS 590 courses.

C. Doctoral Studies Committee - The wiki has been updated to reflect reading lists for core exams. Faculty were asked to submit previous field exam questions to Carole Palmer to archive.

D. Faculty Senate report - A proposal to amend the Senate Constitution was made to include academic professional representatives, with voting rights.

VI OLD BUSINESS

A. Budget - Campus has asked all units to make plans for 5%, 10%, and 15% reductions in their budget. Faculty were encouraged to teach higher-enrollment courses beginning Spring 2010 to enhance revenue.

VII NEW BUSINESS

A. IFLA - Terry Weech will discuss a draft proposal to IFLA for a research mentoring program at the October 9 Faculty Research Discussion. Peter Lor, the previous Secretary General of IFLA, will present a lecture on October 19 at 12:00 p.m. in Room 126. The 19th Annual Mortenson Distinguished Lecture is October 22 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 126. An afternoon discussion with Ellen Tise, the president of IFLA, is October 23 at 1:30 p.m. at the ACES Library, Heritage Room.

B. HLC campus visit - George Walker from the Higher Learning Commission accreditation team will be visiting GSLIS on Monday, October 12 from 10:00-12:00. Linda and Allen will be conducting a tour of the School and will visit with those faculty available.

C. MS advising proposal - Meg Edwards discussed a proposal for extending advising to master’s students. Faculty were asked to provide feedback to Meg about this proposal. A copy of the proposal is on file with these minutes.

VIII ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m. and the Executive Session began at 3:15 p.m., and concluded at 4:30 p.m.

Recorded by Christine Hopper