ASSOCIATE AND ASSISTANT DEANS’ REPORTS

Associate Dean for Research, Allen Renear –
No report submitted

Associate Dean for Academic Programs, Linda Smith –
Some end of semester reminders:
1) Students have until May 16 to complete their ICES online course evaluation forms (https://ices.cte.uiuc.edu). All students are strongly encouraged to take this opportunity to provide feedback to their instructors. We worked with the Center for Teaching Excellence to provide access to the forms through finals week and are hoping this leads to a higher response rate. Results are not released to faculty until after grades are submitted and your responses will be kept strictly confidential (faculty do not know who completed a particular form).

2) Faculty must submit spring semester course grades online by May 20 at noon. If that deadline is missed, then grades must be submitted on forms completed manually. Instructions for online grade submission can be found at:  http://registrar.illinois.edu/staff/pdf/records/gradeinstruct.pdf

Assistant Dean for Communications, Cindy Ashwill –
Communications staff are working to complete publications—GSLIS Magazine, Alumni Newsletter, and Campaign Booklet—and to assist with preparation for ALA in June. Two electronic communications will be completed in May, the eUpdate and email to new graduates.

Library Trends 59.4,”Involving Users in the Co-Construction of Digital Knowledge in Libraries, Archives, and Museums,” edited by Paul Marty, will publish this month. The upcoming schedule includes:
   • Summer/August 2011 (60.1)  
     Library Design from Past to Present / Alistair Black and Nan Dahlkild, editors
   • Fall/November 2011 (60.2) 
     Information Literacy beyond the Academy—Part 1 / John Crawford, editor

Recent efforts also have focused on addressing concerns about publications raised in the recent Town Hall Meeting.

Assistant Dean for Infrastructure, Erik Hege –
The campus CIO submitted her resignation a few weeks ago. We expect an interim to be named in another few weeks. This was primarily due to the change in IT reporting structure which moved the campus CIO out from reporting to the Provost and he/she will now be reporting to the Executive CIO who is part of University Administration (specifically, AITS). What (if any) impact this will have on campus IT or more specifically GSLIS is still unknown.
Exchange migration - We have talked with CITES staff and are currently working out a schedule for our migration to Exchange 2010. This will not happen before the end of the semester.

We have had a meeting with a designer about renovating room 341 to make it more 'conference friendly'. I hope to hear back from them this week and have a decision (as well as schedule) on changes in the next few weeks.

New computers have been ordered for everyone on the replacement list for this year. They will be arriving and distributed in future weeks.

**Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, Rae-Anne Montague** –
No report submitted

**Assistant Dean for Advancement, Diana Stroud** –
LSAA has had a **GSLIS tassel** created for graduation. They are bright lemon with GSLIS on the gold emblem. Students are being asked to donate 2011 in honor of a faculty member who had an impact on their education. We will share those comments with the faculty who are recognized. If you are an alum of GSLIS and would like a tassel, for a donation in the amount of the year that you graduated you can also have one to wear on your cap. All proceeds will go for the LSAA endowed professorship. Please help us spread the word!

**Final CRT for the Academic Year**
May 6, 2011 (9-11 a.m.)-Chicago, “**Safety Culture and Safety Informatics for 21st Century Organizations.**” Graduate School of Library and Information Science faculty Terry von Thaden and Les Gasser will co-present.

The CRT presentation will provide insights and strategies for understanding and grappling with safety issues across and within organizations. The focus will be on practical applications and emerging research in the areas of:

- Cultural and informational dimensions of safety
- Measuring and assessing safety culture and safety informatics
- New industry and regulatory standards, and
- Cross-industry, cross-organizational benchmarking of safety performance

The session will be held at the Illini Center, 200 South Wacker Drive, 4th Floor. Please confirm with Sharon Johnson (sdjohnso@illinois.edu) or phone (217/244-6473).

**Alumni Reception**
Sunday May 22, Bloomington, IL
Hosted by Beth McNeil
Remarks by Dean Unsworth
Invitations have been sent
ALA Reception
Sunday, June 26, from 6:00-8:00pm
Embassy Suites New Orleans
Jean Lafitte Ballroom
315 Julia Street
New Orleans LA 70130
Please e-mail lis-dev@illinois.edu to RSVP or to receive additional information.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Masters students, Meghan Kutz –
No report submitted

CAS students –
No report submitted

PhD students, Caroline Nappo –
Field exam reading lists on the GSLIS webpage have not been updated since fall of 2009. Can this be done over the summer? Would be helpful for incoming students and second year students thinking ahead.

Many thanks to the faculty for all the opportunities for intellectual engagement they've provided throughout the year--that's what we came for. Thanks also for their hard work and dedication. Wishing them a happy summer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Admissions Committee, Jon Gant – The Admissions Committee has provided admission statistics as of May 2, 2011 (see attachment).

Curriculum Committee, Terry Weech –
No report submitted

Doctoral Studies Committee, Lori Kendall –
No report submitted

Faculty Senate, Les Gasser and Terry Weech –
The 25 April, 2011 Academic Senate meeting most of the session focused on the motion to close the Institute of Aviation. After extensive discussion and debate, the motion to close the UG program and to retain the Master's degree in Human Factors for two years failed by three votes. After the Senate meeting it was observed that while the Senate rejected the specific motion on the two elements of the Institute, no motion was made by the Senate regarding the future of the Institute. This issue may be brought up again at the special meeting on Monday, May 2d, when the resolution on IT will be voted on. A Resolution on Open Access to Scholarly Articles, submitted by the Senate Library Committee, was sent back to Committee for further revision. The Senate will meet at 3:10 pm on Monday, May 2d to take up the issues relating to IT and perhaps to the Institute of Aviation.