INCOL – Continuing Education Committee – Meeting Minutes

Date: June 1, 2006

Location: Argonne Library (Spokane County)

Chair: Jim DeMoss

Recorder: Jonathan Potter

Members Present: Cheryl Christiansen, Nancy Coffey, Paul Eichenberg, Monica Fox,

Theresa Kappus, Jim DeMoss, Jonathan Potter, Cheryl Pritchard, Mary Wood.

Agenda

1. Welcome (new member)

- 2. Approval of Minutes from 01/26/06 meeting
- 3. Turn over the meeting to the new INCOL CE chair:
 - a. INCOL CE chair 5/07 Jim DeMoss (North Idaho College)
 - b. INCOL CE vice chair 5/07 Linda Shippert (Neill Public Library)
- 4. Spring 2006 Event Joe Janes evaluation discussion (thanks Corey)
- 5. Budget
- 6. Fall 2006 workshop
 - a. Planning (who, what, when, where, etc.)
- 7. Other items.

Minutes

- 1. Welcome to new Member Cheryl Pritchard, replacing Elizabeth Thweatt from Gonzaga Law.
- 2. 1/26/06 minutes approved, pending corrections. (Jim is still working on them.)
- 3. Passing of the gavel from Cheryl Christianson to Jim DeMoss.
- 4. Spring 2006 CE Event. Strong turn out: over 50 at morning session and over 40 at afternoon session. 42 evaluation forms collected, overwhelmingly positive feedback. Why such a good turn out? The speaker? The timing? The venue? Mondays generally considered bad for such events, especially for Spokane Public since they are closed Mondays but didn't seem to hurt in this case. Joe Janes' presentation had broad appeal, future vision combined with reducing the topic to essentials: "stuff,

place, help." We should consider bringing him back again in a couple of years.

- 5. Budget. We have spent a little less then half of our annual budget of \$4000, so we are on track.
- 6. Fall 2006 CE Event: Steve Hanamura on intergenerational issues (e.g., "gamers vs. boomers"). Mr. Hanamura has presented at WLA and for SCLS staff. Web site: www.hanamuraconsulting.com.

Jim will contact Mr. Hanamura regarding his fee and availability for a date in October. Will try for a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. Also, what is his preferred room set-up? Tables? Or would lecture-hall seating be OK?

Possible locations: Gonzaga Law's moot courtroom or the new library at Riverpoint. Also mentioned: WSU (Pullman), EWU (Cheney), SFCC, SCC, Mukagowa.

- 7. Future CE event planning: Mary Wood brought up something she spotted in the minutes from the May 12, 2006 INCOL Directors' meeting, i.e., that the directors have discussed increasing support for CE activities, with the mention of holding CE events in multiple locations. We may need clarification from the directors about this. Are they suggesting that we hold the same workshop in multiple locations? For example, would we want to schedule a presenter to give one session in Spokane and one in Pullman over the course of two days? Looking at a breakdown of attendance of past workshops by home library might help inform this discussion, coupled with a survey of INCOL members. Does holding a workshop exclusively in Spokane prevent members from Pullman or other areas from attending? What about broadcasting an event over WSU's WHETS teleconferencing system? What about live streaming or podcasting or vodcasting an event?
- 8. Web site updates: Julie Miller, the associate dean at EWU, has asked Lisa Weirich to add a program suggestion form to the web site.

Discussion: Use the wording from the evaluation form. We would need a generic committee email account that submissions from the form would go to; the email could be forwarded to the current committee chair.

Other possible additions to web site: (1) Database of past programs. (Mary Wood has a list of programs dating back to 1981.) (2) Mechanism for updating membership list. (3) Program evaluation form. (4) Listserv for INCOL members. (5) RSS feed. (6) Powerpoints and handouts from programs. (7) Podcasts and vodcasts (video podcasts) of programs.

Should we consider getting a funded position for web enhancements? Get help from

other institutions, more collaboration, so that it doesn't all fall on Lisa Weirich's plate?

9. Spring 2007 event, potential topics and speakers:

Library as place.

Rick Brinkman, "Bringing out the Best in People." (<u>www.rickbrinkman.com</u>). Communication skills, very entertaining, but maybe too expensive.

Matthew Saxton (UW iSchool) on career change in libraries.

Efthimis Efthimiadis (UW iSchool) Information Architecture. Practical approach to technology. Could be done with a hands-on component in a computer lab setting.

Joe Albert, GU prof. Organizational Culture. (Did a presentation for Spokane Public staff.) Entertaining, non-threatening approach to the topic.

Karen Wright (www.wrightminded.com) on problem solving.

Look for other local presenters, or folks from within our own ranks to present on specialized topics; e.g. Gov Docs, patent searching, census data, genealogy, etc.

10. Next meeting: TBD (Aug or Sept?)