

OPC Membership Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

March 10, 2022

Via Zoom

Attendees

Leadership:

Jim DaMico (Chair) – Archivist, Cincinnati Children’s Hospital

Virginia Dressler (Chair-Elect) – Digital Projects Librarian, Kent State University

Kim Hoffman (Education & Programming) – Preservation Librarian, Miami University

Jamye Jamison (Secretary) – Paper Conservator/Owner, Jamison Art Conservation

Rachel Makarowski (Education & Programming) – Special Collections Librarian, Miami University

Andrew Mancuso (Marketing & Outreach) – Preservation Officer, Kelvin Smith Library, Case Western Reserve University

Kristen Muenz (Membership) – Archivist, The Wexner Center for the Arts

Miriam Nelson (Treasurer) – Director of the Mahn Center for Archives and Special Collections, Preservation & Digital Initiatives, Ohio University

Gena Reynolds (Marketing & Outreach) – Special Collections and Preservation Assistant, Oberlin College

Membership:

Jill Clever, Toledo Lucas County Public Library

Jen Johnson, State Library of Ohio

Chris Mannix, Instruction Librarian, Columbus College of Art & Design

Kate Medicus, Special Collections Cataloger, Kent State University

Ashleigh Schieszer, Co-Lab Manager and Conservator, Cincinnati and Hamilton County Public Library

Penelope Shumaker, State Library of Ohio

Marisha Sullivan, Head Librarian, Holden Forrest and Botanical Garden

Ed Vermue, Special Collections and Preservation Librarian, Oberlin College Libraries

Marcela Estevez and Staff from Ohio State University Libraries joined for the second half presentation

Meeting Minutes

Call to order 10:05AM

Review of who OPC is, what we offer to members, and introduction of Leadership Group

Chair Report (Jim DaMico)

LSTA- Full update will be given in Education section, but the recent meeting with the State Library went well and they are excited and on board for this year’s grants.

Zoom account – OPC will purchase its own account rather than depending on an account tied to the various organizations of people in the Leadership group. Seeing as we envision using this platform going forward, we would like to have a consistent platform and continuity as people rotate on/off the Leadership group.

OH Society of Archivists – There was an ask to support a \$100 Student Scholarship to attend their annual meeting. Leadership thought that perhaps OPC could sponsor this scholarship for a total of 5 years. The sponsorship would help fulfill OPC’s mission of supporting students. Miriam believes that \$100/year over 5 years should not be a financial hardship – we have enough money that we need to start spending it.

There is currently \$15565 in the OPC account. The general feeling was that it was a responsible way to

use our money and a great way to give back to the wider community. Ed wondered if we could do more and asked how expensive the meetings were. The grant is specifically for students. It was noted that Midwest Conservation Guild has something similar and it has been very successful. Jim will look into whether there is a requirement like a meeting summary or something similar that the attendee has to provide after the meeting.

Jim proposed to vote to fund this scholarship for the next 5 years for a total of \$500. Andrew seconded. All in favor.

Chair-Elect Report (Virginia Dressler)

Ginnie will start organizing grants for this year. She and Miriam are looking into a partnership with OHDig which will be discussed at the next meeting.

Approval of Minutes (Jamye Jamison)

Minutes for the November Membership meeting were distributed to members over email. Jamye asked if there were any changes. None noted.

Jamye proposed to accept the November Meeting minutes as written. Miriam second. All in favor.

Finance Report (Miriam Nelson)

Quiet start to the year. There has been a steady trickle of membership renewals. This is a good time to push out grants.

Membership Report (Kristen Muenz)

As has been said, it was a quiet start to the year, but anticipate memberships to getting going soon.

Marketing & Outreach Report (Andrew Mancuso & Gena Reynolds)

They have been working to keep members updated about events and grants. This meeting is the first event of 2022. Gena noted that they are making sure to follow all member institutions Instagram accounts and reposting.

Education & Programming Report (Rachel Makarowski & Kim Hoffman)

LSTA meeting – Program will be the same virtual format with similar dates. LSTA will begin promotion in April/May with the live virtual meeting kick-off in early June. Kim and Rachel are currently reviewing modules in the program to look for dates or anything else that might need to be updated for 2022. Jim will be the point person for OPC but will delegate appropriately as needed.

Overview for 2022 – Round table for May meeting – favorite tool or mistake you learned from – what are people more interested in? September will be a DEAI focused event. November meeting feature Andrew giving an overview about the multi spectral imaging project in which some OPC institutions have been participating.

General consensus was in favor of the tool roundtable so that will be the focus for May's meeting.

Extra time in meeting used to round robin with members to get updates on everyone's institutions.

15 Minute Break

Nose Hair Trimmer Presentation – 11:15AM

Andrew is the Preservation Officer for Kelvin Smith Library at Case Western Reserve University and has been working in the Cultural Heritage field for nearly a decade. At KSL, Andrew is tasked with preventive and interventive conservation, general collections care and specialized analytical imaging. He enjoys many aspects of this work, and in particular, creating and utilizing inventive technology-driven solutions for the profession.

While browsing through the AIC Wiki one day, Andrew came across a page about a project regarding the transformation of a personal grooming tool...his interest was peaked. Upon further investigation, he was thrilled to find a creative solution for working with odd-shaped paper fills that utilized a retro-fitted nose hair trimmer. Creating the perfect fill for losses in collection items can be tiring to complete by hand, but with this grooming device-turned-perforating pen, it becomes a breeze! [Originally presented at the 2014 AIC conference by Grace Owen-Weiss](#), Andrew will be going over the instructions and tips to assemble this handy little tool according to her [revised version](#). You are welcome to acquire the supplies listed and build your own or just follow along!

Meeting adjourned: 11:48AM