SLIS STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCILS MEETING DAYS:
October 7, 2009
November 11, 2009
February 3, 2010
March 3, 2010
April 7, 2010

SLIS GRADUATE STUDENTS WILL MEET AT 3:00 VIA VIDEO IN NORMAN/TULSA.
Lori Chatman, Graduate Student, Lori1813@ou.edu
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SLIS REPRESENTATIVES TO THE DEAN’S STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL,
MEETING DAYS:
October 14, 2009
November 18, 2009
February 10, 2010
March 10, 2010
April 14, 2010

SLIS REPRESENTATIVES:
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One SLIS undergraduate representative will attend each Dean’s SAC meeting (Lea for October 14)

OCTOBER 7, 2009
Notes, Oct 7, 2009, Graduate Students
Reporting from Director:
A SLIS request for a Director’s Search is being sent forward from the School.
Courses changes are forthcoming for LIS 5603 Information and Communication Technologies.
The SLIS SAC plans for representation at the Dean’s SAC.

Discussion (initiated by students):
The opportunity for an internship
The desire to see a completed portfolio
The preference to have core courses offered online and offline
Preferences regarding orientation
A sense of isolation in online courses

Notes, October 7, 2009, Undergraduate Students
Reporting from the Director:
Course and program changes
Purpose of and participation in SACs
Planning for attendance at the Dean’s SAC

Notes, November 11, 2009
Reporting from the director:
Opportunities for field experiences identified (e.g., directed project, internship, visits/observations, reading)
Announced was the national search underway for the recruitment of a new director. The search will be a national one with the most focused recruitment occurring at the January 2010 meeting (Boston) of the Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE).
Orientation for the spring 2010 semester is scheduled to be delivered in one and one half days after the semester begins (to accommodate the ALISE conference).
Retrospectively, the issue of a perception by some students of a sense of isolation in online courses has not been an issue raised on SLIS Student Teacher Evaluations. More detailed information on this issue was sought from students.
Students were encouraged to attend the School’s annual SLISeflation, for which a December book sale was scheduled to fund student dinners at the SLISeflation. The OLISSA student organization had agreed to manage and staff the book sale.
Seniors in the BAIS program were encouraged to apply for the IMLS graduate fellowships (MLIS degree) available for Spring and Fall 2010.
Graduate students were encouraged to develop papers for presentation at the Spring 2010 annual conference of the Oklahoma Library Association.

Discussion (initiated by students):
Students sought details about the management and expectations for the national search.
Regarding isolation in online classes, one student expressed a need/preference for more direct interaction with the online instructors.

Notes, February 3, 2010
Report (from the Director):
Two candidates had sent applications for the SLIS director position; one, Professor Wallace Koehler, was scheduled to arrive on February 21 for an on-campus interview, spending the 22nd in Norman and the 23rd in Tulsa. Students in Norman and Tulsa were invited to attend the meetings scheduled for them at each campus. The other candidate was Professor Cecelia Brown, whose candidacy was
announced but yet to be scheduled in detail for her on-campus interview.

Details for the spring SLISebration were provided: Oklahoma Memorial Union on March 27; the featured speaker would be Professor Charles McClure (Florida State University); and students could request dinner reservations sponsored by OLISSA by calling the SLIS office.

Students were made aware of new health foci on the Tulsa campus.

The director’s report included a discussion of SLIS curricular/course issues, especially in regard to changes or potential changes.

Discussion (initiated by students):

Student sought details and expectations about attending lectures and interview with candidates for the director position.

Student also sought information about the spring process of applying for SLIS scholarships and financial aid.

Students also asked about fee and tuition increases in past, current, and future semesters.

Notes, March 4, 2010 (The meeting had been originally scheduled for March 3; however, the second candidate for the director’s position had been scheduled to deliver a presentation during that meeting time. Thus, students were invited to attend the candidate’s March 3 presentation (video to Tulsa) and afterward Norman students visited as a group with the candidate.)

Report (from the Director):

The SLIS SAC meeting on the 4th with Norman and Tulsa had a smaller attendance, especially with conflicting class schedules in Norman and with on-site interviewing scheduled in Tulsa. Thus, the SLIS SAC meeting was informal and discussion was largely centered by students on the three candidates. Neither the director nor students introduced new topics.

The third candidate would be Professor Loriene Roy (University of Texas at Austin), who was scheduled to arrive on March 9.

Notes, April 7, 2010

Report (from the Director):

The outcome of the search process was reported. The SLIS faculty recommended the hiring of Professor Cecelia Brown to the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

The SLISebration was well attended by students who had OLISSA sponsorship for their dinners. Also, to ensure consistency in support through the first year of the new director, there was enough funding remaining from the December book sale to provide equal funding for students attending SLISebration in 2011.

Course changes that would go forward for University approval in 2010 / 2011 were reported and discussed.

Discussion (initiated by students):

The discussion was limited by a lack of attendees in Norman. However, there were student questions about the process of the SLIS comprehensive examination and, though generally addressed individually and in small groups, it will be a continuing topic.