

ISSA Meeting Minutes – Thursday, February 1st, 2024 @ 8:30 – 9:30 PM

In Attendance:

Naomi Richards, Catherine Gracey, Isabel Brechin, Toni Beaton, Madeleine McGregor, Rowan Moore, Taryn Neufeld, Megan Krempa, Timothy Howatt, Emma Hak-Kovacs, Paxton Romana

Regards:

Morgan Paul, Hailey Wills

Proceedings:

1. Regular Business – approval of minutes
2. Update from chairs
 - a. Academic Chair – Robyn & Megan
 - i. Lunch and learn recap!
 1. Held 2 so far – good attendance with Kellie Dalton – interview questions to come / be circulated
 2. Another one in mid Feb – details to come
 - ii. Thanks to Toni for message about Academic Meeting
 - b. Non-Academic Chair – Hailey & Taryn
 - i. A couple of events in the planning stage – Brenna wrote up proposal, but plans on hold until we have funds for it
 1. Zines and exhibit around Palestine – related to EDIAD
 2. Naomi – we don't have a space for an exhibit in a safe place for an extended period of time. Still please send in the proposals
 - c. EDIA & Special Projects Chair – Isabel & Rowan
 - i. Waffle Wednesday! – good turn out – haven't counted money
 1. Enough supplies to do another one – Africville museum for Feb
 - ii. Dal Law degree combined with MI degree student – course project was to do an analysis of all the core courses for EDIA content – working on report – will be passed on
 1. Don't have a reporting system for professors upholding EDIAD standards or saying offensive things in classes for the faculty specifically (outside of the general Dal system) – if anyone wants to do some research – long term project
 - d. Finance – Cat & Timothy
 - i. Paxton - Sandra will be paying
 1. Instead of transferring to us and then us transferring to Paxton
 - ii. No grants from DSU
 1. Sandra asked if they were allowed to do that

2. Will email asking why / can you walk me through it – DSU will ‘re-evaluate’ in the next semester
 - iii. DAGs
 1. President will answer us, but the VP of finance has not been answering emails – Naomi: I will give them until Monday and then I will tell them ask them why they are misusing finances
 - iv. \$60 donation to Books Beyond Bars
 1. Will e-transfer total donations
 - v. Send me receipts please!
 - e. Digital Publications – Toni & Emma
 - i. DLIAA page on ISSA website
 1. Maddie says they still want a tab on the website – want to be able to reach out to the first years
 2. Maybe we can invite them to the Association Display during orientation
 - ii. Student requests for Crafternoon!
 1. Naomi – maybe next Wednesday
 - f. Communications – Madeleine
 - i. Elections – we have a single nomination so far. Will wend out
 - g. Co-Chairs – Naomi & Morgan
 - i. Transition documents – do them!
 - ii. Meeting with Kim – planning for incoming students and returning students meetings
 - iii. Professional Development – Ursula – environmentally aware libraries – maybe good for IWB
3. Other business
 - a. Next Meeting is Thursday, February 15th

Meeting Adjourned: 9:00pm