CHRISTIAN COLLEGE LIBRARIANS
Business Meeting
May 22, 2015
Oklahoma Christian University

President Myron Schirer-Suter called the meeting to order at 2:15 PM. Treasurer Brenda Breezeel certified that a quorum was present.

Opening prayer: Chris Rosser

Wanda Dickey moved we accept the 2014 Business Meeting minutes; Ruth Carlock seconded. Approved by voice vote.

President Schirer-Suter thanked the Beam Library librarians and staff for their work in organizing and hosting the conference.

OLD BUSINESS

1) Treasurer Brenda Breezeel distributed and presented a report of CCL finances.
   a) 2014
      (1) Total Income = $7,432.11
      (2) Total Expenses = $6,810.76

   b) 2015 (as of May 14)
      (1) Income
         (a) To date = $1,940.89
         (b) Expected income = $2,150.00
      (2) Expenses
         (a) To date = $0
         (b) Expected expenses = $3,426.00
      (3) Bank balance = $4,803.71 (including $1,140.00 in recent scholarship donations)
      (4) Geneva Hoover Scholarship Fund = $47,950.92
         (a) The 2015 scholarship will be paid directly out of recent scholarship donations, as those have not yet transferred to the TIAA-CREF fund.
         (b) The scholarship fund will become self-sustaining at about $75,000.

c) Schirer-Suter called for a motion to approve the treasurer’s report. J.J. Compton so moved; Ann Dixon seconded. The motion passed by voice vote.

d) Breezeel moved that the CCL dues structure stay the same for the upcoming year (2015-2016). Seconded by Lisa Burley. Passed by voice vote.
e) Breezeel asked if email invoices could be sent out for institutional dues; members agreed that this would work.

2) Chris Rosser presented the Scholarship committee report.
   a) Committee members: Rosser [chair], James Mitchell, Jean Waldrop
   b) The committee reported its intention to clarify the scholarship guidelines and application.
   c) 2015-2016 scholarship recipient: Megan Hasler of Brackett Library, Harding University.
   d) The scholarship committee membership will stay the same this year.

3) Melissa Atkinson presented the Website committee report.
   a) Committee members: Melissa Atkinson, Barbara Kelly [chair], Lisa Burley
   b) The new CCL website is on WordPress.
      a) Website can be edited by anyone with Gmail account access.
         (1) CCLinc2015@gmail.com
         (2) The password was distributed to members in attendance.
      b) Atkinson demonstrated the functions of the page and how to edit it.
   c) Website expenses:
      a) $18.00/year, with domain, plus $8.00 for a secure site.
      b) Website will be finalized after we decide to keep or change the name of the organization.
   d) Dixon moved that we approve the new website; seconded by Mitchell. Approved by voice vote.
   e) President Schirer-Suter thanked Atkinson on behalf of CCL for her work setting up the site.
   f) The committee will choose a website administrator.
   g) Website committee membership will stay the same this year.
4) Carisse Berryhill presented the Restoration Serials Index board report.
   a) Board members: Bob Turner [chair], Wanda Dickey, Carisse Berryhill, Lisa
      Burley, Gerald Cox; plus Craig Beard by Skype.
   b) General information
      a) Cost to renew our contract with the programmer will be $280.00.
      b) No new titles to be added this year.
      c) Indexing is not being done in a timely manner.
   c) RSI will be featured prominently on a new website: Char.is
      a) Aimed at discussion within the Churches of Christ, past and present.
      b) New RSI logo designed to complement Char.is site.
   d) In the next year, the board will be exploring plans to digitize Restoration journals
      for RSI, rather than only indexing.
      a) Possibly using the wildcat archivists as volunteers.
      b) The board hopes to have a well-thought-out call for participation at next year’s
         Christian Scholars’ Conference.
      c) Full text could possibly be housed on the ACU institutional repository:
         digitalcommons.acu.edu
   e) Board tasks for 2015-2016:
      a) Cox: investigating licenses and permissions.
      b) Burley: scanning a few sample journals with student workers.
      c) Turner: setting up a GoogleDocs workflow
   f) Comments and thoughts from members are welcome.

5) Future meeting hosts: 2016 @ FHU confirmed; 2017 to be determined.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Tamie Willis initiated a discussion on the CCL meeting schedule
   a) Shrinking budgets and decreasing staff moves responsibility for hosting CCL to a
      small handful of institutions, who often subsidize fees to keep costs down. In
      addition, CCL attendance is dwindling.
   b) Proposal:
      i) Meet as a group at a member institution every other year
      ii) On alternate years, meet electronically and /or with a session at the Christian
          Scholars’ Conference
   c) Discussion:
      i) Geneva Hoover commented that CCL originally met every other year.
      ii) Positives:
          (1) We would have a presence at CSC as librarians and scholars
(2) Remove some of the financial conflict of choosing between CCL and CSC
(3) David Fleer is very willing to accommodate CCL meeting at CSC; a library
track is a good possibility.

iii) Negatives:
(1) Cost of CSC is about $165; plus housing & travel => more expensive.
(2) Some institutions would not approve participation in CSC.
(3) Every-other-year CCL meetings could mean budget funds are lost.

d) Willis moved that we form an ad hoc committee to explore the idea and to
present a plan to members at next year’s meeting; seconded by Elizabeth
Rivera. Approved by voice vote.

i) Members interested in being part of the Committee are to contact President
Schirer-Suter, who will appoint the committee.

ii) Further questions and concerns will be forwarded to the committee to address
in its proposal.

2) President Schirer-Suter continued the discussion (begun through the CCL email list)
on changing the organizational name.

a) Major discussion points and questions:

i) "Christian College Librarians" is seen as a divisively exclusive name in the
broader Christian world, with which our institutions and libraries are
increasingly involved. This could be an issue if we increase involvement in
CSC (as discussed in the previous proposal).

ii) Lots of paperwork and some expense involved in a name change.

iii) Bylaws make it clear that the "Christian" in our name refers to the institutions
we support, not librarians' affiliation as individuals; this is contrary to the name
itself, and the way many of us think of the organization.

iv) Hoover noted that this topic had been discussed thoroughly in the past. The
decision then was that the existing name worked best, but that doesn't mean
we don't need to discuss again now.

v) Would changing our name have impact on the digitizing project? A name
identifying the organization as a Church of Christ adherent would rule out
support from some congregations and other institutions.

vi) Would it address the issue if we kept the name, but added a parenthetical
explanation or sub-title?

vii) What if we changed the bylaws instead of the name?
(1) Could we do that without losing our unique identity?
(2) A bylaws change could allow us to clarify our identity without tightening
the boundaries of the group.

b) Compton proposed that discussion continue online and that current members
vote electronically (by Google form or Survey monkey poll with comments box)