



**ASSOCIATION OF ARCHITECTURE SCHOOL LIBRARIANS**

**21<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL MEETING: MARCH 20-23, 1999**

**HYATT REGENCY HOTEL: DOWNTOWN**

**MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA**

( Saturday Events are from the ACSA Program)

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1999 Conference Planning Committee  
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**PROGRAM**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 20**

9:00-12:30	<b>ACSA TOURS</b> Minneapolis Architecture and Minneapolis Firms
10:00	<b>ACSA ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION</b>
11:00-1:30	<b>AASL REGISTRATION at Hyatt</b>
10:00-2:00	<b>BOOK DISPLAY/EXHIBIT AREA OPEN</b>
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break
1:30	<b>Buses leave Hyatt Regency for Univ. of Minnesota</b> College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture
1:45-4:30	<b>AASL Registration at the Arch and Landscape</b> <b>Arch Library</b> College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, UMN
2:00-2:45	<b>ANNUAL MEETING WELCOME</b> ACSA President Wayne Drummond, Dean Program Co-Chair Geraldine Forbes Isais Program Co-Chair Marvin Malecha, Dean
	<b>INTRODUCTION TO MINNEAPOLIS</b> Local Events Chair Thomas Fisher, Dean (Courtyard, CALA, Univ. of Minn)

- 2:45-4:15                   **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**  
 Winona LaDuke  
 An internationally recognized activist for Native American lands and peoples, Ms. LaDuke has served as national program director for Honor the Earth and was Green Party vice-presidential candidate in the 1996 elections.  
 (Courtyard, CALA, University of Minnesota)
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- 4:45-5:30                   **TOPAZ MEDALLION PRESENTATION**  
 Presentation of the ACSA/AIA Topaz Medallion for Excellence in Architectural education to Cecil Steward, Univ. of Nebraska-Lincoln  
 (Courtyard, CALA, University of Minnesota)
- 6:00-8:00                   **PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION**  
 (Weisman Art Museum, University of Minnesota)

**SUNDAY, MARCH 21**

**AASL MEETING**

**Room: Lake of the Isles - Hyatt**

**DESIGNING LIBRARIES: ARCHITECTS AND LIBRARIANS WORKING TOGETHER**  
 Presentation and Group Discussion

8:30-8:40

**Introduction**

8:40-9:30

Design Challenges: What to Anticipate in Planning the Library

Jeffrey Scherer, FAIA and Principal of Meyer, Scherer & Rockcastle Architects

9:40-10:30

Staff-Centered Design of Reference Desks: Librarians and Architects Collaborate

Lars Peterssen, Adjunct Assistant Professor & Assistant Head, CALA, Univ. of Mn.

Pamela Holt, Youth Services Librarian, Edina Library, Hennepin County Libraries

Michael McConnell, Principal Librarian, Rockford Road Library, Hennepin County Libraries

10:30-11:00

**Discussion**

11:15-12:15

**AVERY INDEX USERS GROUP MEETING**

Edward Goodman, General Editor  
 Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals

12:00-1:30

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:30-5:00

**AASL GROUP TOUR** (meet at the Hyatt Lobby)  
James Mornes, AIA will lead the bus tour  
Minneapolis Downtown Architecture and Scenic Lake Areas  
Walker Art Center's Sculpture Garden  
Minneapolis Institute of Arts: Special Feature of Recently  
installed Chinese Rooms

7:00-9:00

**AASL MEMBERS GROUP DINNER**  
Luci Ancora, Saint Paul (pay your own dinner)

**MONDAY, MARCH 22**

8:30-11:00

**AASL PANELDISCUSSION Room: Greenway D - Hyatt**  
**REINVENTING OURSELVES; NEW ROLES FOR**  
**ARCHITECTURE LIBRARIANS**

Redefining Public Services at MIT: An Experiment in Organizational Change  
Michael Leininger, Architecture Librarian, MIT

The Librarian as Information Consultant: Forming Partnerships with Faculty  
Kathy Brackney, Architecture Librarian, Georgia Institute of Technology

Sharing Digital Images: Creation of an Image-Sharing Consortium in the Big 12  
Kay Logan-Peters, Architecture Librarian and Interim Director of the Engineering Library, University of Nebraska

From EDRA to Europe: Where is the Librarian?  
Kathy Demsky, Architecture Librarian, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI

11:00-Noon

**NAAB DISCUSSION**  
The New NAAB Initiatives and the Library  
Elliot Pavlos, Executive Director, NAAB  
James Anstis, FAIA, Current NAAB President  
William Miller, FAIA, Dean, Sch. Of Architecture, Univ. of Utah and NAAB Board Member

12:00-1:30

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:30-2:30

**AASL GUEST LECTURE: Room Greenway D -Hyatt**  
The Prairie School Architecture in Minnesota  
Tim Quigley, AIA and Adjunct Assistant Professor, CALA, University of Minnesota.

2:45-4:00

**AASL BUSINESS MEETING: Room Greenway D Hyatt**

4:00-4:45

**AASL MEMBERS INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 23**

AASL Tour of Twin Cities on Your Own

*attention the MIT web.*  
*group change*  
*forming*  
*norming*  
*storming*  
*she liaisons with faculty - finds that gender + age makes differences*  
*over*

*They have downsized - have a management consultant - everyone must participate - must reach consensus (over) ->*

*validation conference will be held in Oct. 2000*  
*new recommendations for standards will be presented*

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**AGENDA**

**Business Meeting: Monday, March 20, 1999, 2:45 PM - 4:00 PM**

1. Approval of Minutes from AASL Business Meeting, 1998
2. Treasurer's Report - Margaret Culbertson
3. Nominating Committee Report - Francis Chen (Joon Mornes will report in her absence)
4. Old Business
  - A. AASL Membership Brochure - Anita Carrico and Anita Anderson
  - B. ARLIS Report - Anita Carrico
  - C. Revisit the membership dues, student membership, and the late fee.
5. New Business
  - A. Electronic Newsletter - Michael Leininger
  - B. AASL Listserv and Maintenance - Kay Logan-Peters
  - C. AASL Web Site: Additions and Maintenance - Michael Leininger
  - D. AASL Officers' Guide - Michael Leininger
  - E. NAAB Responses and Future Plans - Kathy Brackney
  - F. Review of honoraria for conference speakers - Joon Mornes
6. Recommendation for By-laws
  - A. Formalize Current Nominating procedures
  - B. Formalize Procedures for Annual Conference and Planning Committee
  - C. Archivist added to the Executive Board
7. Announcements

Kevin  
McMahon  
Sci-ARC  
(Calif) is  
new chair

no student membership fee  
but 1/2 price conference fee

I volunteered  
reluctantly to  
do a twice  
a year newsletter  
with Judy Conner ton

Notes  
AASL Meeting  
March 1999  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

I didn't attend any of the functions on Saturday. Sorry about that.

March 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday

Designing libraries  
Jeffrey Scherer, FAIA

*+ text will be on www.msritd.com*

Internationally known library designer. Has won numerous honors and awards. He is concerned about why relationship between the architect and the client falls apart. Has observed that librarians don't spend enough time asking themselves what they do. They need to determine what must be kept and what can go. A strategic plan for 5 years is necessary.

Design is determined by:

1. Change in materials
2. Increase in sources
3. Change in user demand
4. Change in support

*not clear to me*

Client can only control two; architect must control one

1. Quality
2. Quantity
3. Cost

Helpful to the architect if librarian prepares

1. Vision statement= ideal library
2. List of needs (not same as wants)

*1 paragraph prior to architect selection*

Librarian must be involved in the design process. Study plans, ask questions, offer honest challenge, choose battles carefully. Librarian must agree that the design is functional and efficient; that the space is clearly organized

Collaboration Panel: Lars Peterssen, Pamela Holt, Michael McConnell:

Architect and librarian collaborate on reference desk design.

Design includes signage and the desk.

Reference desk needs to retain the social functions of the traditional library

Librarians help users navigate different kinds of information: print and digital

The client is not same as the user

Reference desk is where the user and the librarian come together

Electronic tools require cabling and wiring- causing space problems

## Outcomes

1. Circulation and reference desks combined. Two staff people there most of time.
  2. Each staff person chooses a specialty: technology or information
  3. Measurement is needed often to determine if the changes have been successful.
  4. Staff person chooses two areas- reference, instruction, collection development- to be evaluated on. One is primary job and other is secondary.
- Change is necessary or we become irrelevant.

### Kathy Brackney- Georgia Tech- Partnership with Faculty

Job title has changed to information consultant, but duties are the same as before- helping people find information. Now searching done on Web.

Instruction is also web based.

Pathfinders on college web have replaced instruction in the library. Instruction now done in collaboration with faculty member. Standard format is used, covering the local catalog and the statewide catalog. Kathy prepares a list of recommended databases for each course.

### Kay Logan-Peters- University of Nebraska- Sharing Digital Images (slides, videos, sound disks, etc.)

Big 12 plus a few other schools of architecture invited to consider sharing images. All schools are short staffed and lack of finances, but many were interested in talking. Many collections belong to Colleges rather than libraries.

Needs:

1. Solution to copyright problem.
2. Development of prototype collection.
3. External funding; grant.
4. Full time coordinator.
5. Quality control.
6. Methods of buying large number of digitized slides from vendor.

### Kathy Demsky- Andrews University- Other duties for the librarian.

1. Regular duties: in charge of Architecture Library plus managing the art, modern languages, and history collections.

2. Special duties:

EDRA book display coordinator:

Used Pro-Cite to create database of materials published by EDRA and acquired by Andrews.

Receives many ILL requests.

Displays materials at annual EDRA conference. Covers forty tables.

Study abroad program

Helped create program. Goes to Italy ahead of students to locate religion instructor and arrange special enrichment activities.

Avery Index Users Group: Edward Goodman

Avery Index will reside with the Getty Reference Institute until June 2000.

Getty Trust will replace G.K. Hall

More CDs per year. Perhaps quarterly. Windows format.

RLG owns Eureka. Big increase in cost is forthcoming.

Applied for NEH grant to add 250,000 records from 1876-1972 volumes to the database.

The print copy of the Avery Index may be dropped.

Some titles in archeology, city planning, and in some foreign languages were dropped two years ago. Subscribers haven't been told what those are.

Librarians would like to know which journals are currently indexed.

The most highly used journals are indexed first.

Bus tour of Minneapolis/ St. Paul

Conducted by architecture professor James Mornes. Included scenic lake areas. Stops at Walker Art Center's Sculpture Center and the Minneapolis Institute of Arts.

Group dinner at Luci Ancora in St. Paul.

Chris Johnson, retired University of Minnesota architecture librarian and former AASL member, joined group for dinner.

### March 22 Monday

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Panel: New roles

Michael MIT: Redefining public services.

Points from Leadership and the New Science by Meg Wheatly:

1. 70% of all change efforts fail
2. People will support only what they help create

Stages in MIT process

1. Forming
2. Storming
3. Norming
3. Performing- team has been established

Important concerns

1. How much authority does group have?
2. Make decisions by consensus

MIT public services priorities

1. User self-sufficient.
2. Valuable to community
3. Timely delivery of information

#### NAAB: New Initiatives

NAAB Board members: Elliot Pavlas, James Anstis, William Miller.

NAAB is reviewing library requirements for accreditation, especially the 5000 NA titles.

Wanted AASL suggestions.

Comments offered to panel:

1. Review core list of periodicals
2. Reminded that librarians emphasize service rather than number of volumes.
3. Many libraries are emphasizing access rather than ownership.
4. Electronic services and distance learning should be included in self-study.
5. Adequate staff and space should be emphasized
6. Relationship between faculty/administration and library staff is important.
7. Examine guidelines established by Council of Planning Librarians:

AASL will draft a proposal for NAAB to discuss over next 18 months.

NAAB representatives urged librarians to value unique characteristics in their libraries- not to seek standardization.

#### Guest lecture-- Prairie School Architecture in Minnesota

Tim Quigley AIA and adjunct University of Minnesota faculty member.

Showed slides and discussed work of Frank Lloyd Wright, Louis Sullivan, George Maher, and especially Purcell and Elmslie-- who brought Prairie School style to Twin Cities and entire State. Slides illustrated interior and exterior detail in houses and banks. Excellent murals in Sullivan's Farmer's National Bank.

Elmslie was responsible for stenciling done in about 20 banks in small towns in Minnesota. He used steel lintels to open space for huge windows. Many of the banks remain for the most part as they were designed.

Prairie School no longer popular after World War I.

#### AASL Business Meeting

Contact Margaret Culbertson, University of Houston, for minutes of meeting and treasurer's report.

*I hope these are useful.*

*P. A. W.*



Date: Mon, 07 Jun 1999 17:11:05 -0500  
From: Margaret Culbertson <MCulbertson@UH.EDU>  
To: Edward Goodman <goodman@columbia.edu>  
Subject: Re: AASL Minutes

Ted,

Sorry the attachment didn't work. Here's the text of the minutes, with really weird spacing, etc.

Margaret

Association of Architecture School Librarians  
21st Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Business Meeting, March 20, 1999  
Minutes

I. The meeting was called to order by Kathleen Demsky, and the minutes of the March 15, 1998 meeting were approved.

II. Treasurer's Report: Margaret Culbertson distributed copies of the report, which showed a cash balance of \$1,972.28, with several expenses for the 1999 conference yet to be paid, and total assets of \$4,221.34. The report was approved.

III. Election Results: Joon Mornes reported for Francis Chen that Kevin McMahon, from Sci/Arc, had been elected Vice-President/President Elect. Kevin introduced himself to those present.

IV. Old Business

A. AASL Membership Brochure: Anita Carrico could not attend the meeting, but she sent a draft version of the brochure for the group's review. The group felt that a membership form should be included in the brochure, and there was one question about the clarity of the lettering on the front of the brochure.

B. There was no ARLIS report, since Anita was unable to attend.

C. Membership dues and student registration fee: Joon Mornes reported that the increase in member dues from \$8.00 to \$10.00 that was approved at the 1998 meeting will be incorporated for next year's dues. Margaret Culbertson suggested that a reduced conference registration fee be instituted for students that might want to attend. After a discussion, Margaret made a motion that a student registration fee be instituted of half of the regular registration fee, and that motion was approved with one dissenting vote.

V. New Business

A. Electronic Newsletter: Michael Leininger proposed that future newsletters be in electronic form and mounted on the AASL Web Site, if the new editor was willing and able to produce it electronically. Pat Weisenburger described the duties of the newsletter editor, and Ted Goodman and Judy Connorton agreed to serve as co-editors of the newsletter.

B. Kay Logan-Peters reported on the AASL Listserve, which has approximately 60 subscribers now, and she asked the group if they objected to the fact that the List is not archived. The group did not object.

C. & D. AASL Web Site: Michael Leininger reported that he had added the AASL officer's guide to the Web Site this year and that he was planning to add a calendar for officer's activities and the bylaws of the organization. He has conceived of the site as a gateway to the organization, and his additions have been related to that conception. However, he also emphasized that other members should feel free to submit appropriate items to the site. The group felt that a membership form should be added to the site, and it was suggested that when the new brochure is completed, it

could be scanned and put on the site. Michael also suggested that a brief history of the organization should be added to the site.

E. NAAB Responses and Future Plans: The following people volunteered to work on a response to the NAAB's request for input on the library evaluation part of the accreditation process: Deborah Thompson-Wise, Kay Logan-Peters, Kathy Brackney, and Irene Askelson.

F. Review of honoraria for conference speakers: Joon Mornes asked for a response from the group regarding whether the honoraria for conference speakers should be increased according to the amount of time committed by the speakers. Michael Leininger felt that the honoraria are tokens anyway, and variations of amount should not be necessary. Wayne Meyer mentioned that there are times when a check may not be appropriate, and the conference planner could use discretion. Presenting a book or a gift certificate to the speaker or a donation in the speaker's name to an appropriate charity or organization might be alternatives.

VI. Recommendations for By-Laws: Michael Leininger led a discussion of changes that should be made to the By-Laws to reflect changing practices and procedures in the organization. He will prepare and post the suggested changes on AASL-L, and votes should be cast by email or mail. The suggested changes will include:

- Change the number of members on the nominating committee from "three" to "from one to three."
- Include the duties of the Archivist and the List-Moderator in the By-Laws.
- Change voting procedures in the By-Laws to incorporate email voting.
- Add that the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined.

VII. The group applauded Joon Mornes's work with local arrangements and program planning.

VIII. The meeting was adjourned.

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**Conference Registration/Membership Form**

Advanced registration deadline is March 1. Make checks to "AASL." Send completed form and payment to:

Margaret Culbertson, Treasurer, AASL  
Architecture and Art Library  
College of Architecture  
University of Houston  
122 ARC  
Houston, TX 77004-4431  
Phone: (713) 743-2337 FAX: (713) 743-9748  
Email: [libp@jetson.uh.edu](mailto:libp@jetson.uh.edu)

**ANNUAL DUES:**

Individual members.....	\$8.00
Institutional member.....	\$10.00
CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEE.....	\$50.00
Total dollar amount enclosed.....	\$ _____

**Please fill out the following form:**

**Name:**

**Position:**

**Institution:**

**Business Address:**

**Business Phone:**

**FAX:**

**E-mail Address:**

**Library Homepage URL:**

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**2:00-4:30**  
*Architecture and Landscape Architecture Library open to visitors*

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- *TBA: Bernard Jacob (AIA)*

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