

IHEAA

Illinois Higher Education Art Association

Fall Meeting Western Illinois University – Macomb, IL October 27, 2017

Treasurer's Report

Balance brought forward from last report:	\$ 704.31	April 21, 2017
Receipts:	<u>250.00</u>	
Subtotal:	954.31	
Expenses: \$ 300.00 – (donation to host: ICC)	<u>-300.00</u>	
Balance this report	654.31	October 25, 2017

Minutes from the Spring Meeting Illinois Central College – East Peoria, IL April 21, 2017

Topic: *"Reassessing the Required and Recommended Content of IAI Art Panel Articulated Courses"*

Kari Schimmel, Dean of Arts and Communications at Illinois Central College (ICC) and our host, extended a warm welcome to everyone for the IHEAA meeting. Highlights of ICC included that this is ICC's Arts Week, which is an annual event which generates great PR through media coverage, the Art POP has student winners featured, and to check out the sculpture walk on campus. Art faculty member, Jennifer Costa, promoted the student show in 3 campus galleries in her welcome and highlighted the Art Trip, which leaves later today for a camping trip at Starved Rock State Park.

Charles Boone, Co-Chair of IHEAA, responded to the welcome—expressing the organization's appreciation for ICC hosting the IHEAA without a room rental fee. He also mentioned that budget constraints across the state have changed the way many schools think about their space rentals and warned that it is common now on community college campuses to charge for space usage even for faculty groups and non-profits such as IHEAA. We, as an organization, will need to be aware of this for the future.

Al Shull and Cindy Hellyer Heinz recapped our fall project updating the five core course sample syllabi for transfer courses: Drawing I, Drawing II, Two-Dimensional Fundamentals, Three-Dimensional Fundamentals, and Life Drawing. The goal for this meeting is to finalize updates for our 5 core syllabi course content revisions so that they can be approved next meeting and then be forwarded to the IAI Art Panel. A detailed review with discussion of each core course was held with changes and additions noted. The WordPress created by Charles Boone (a blog based discussion of the 5 core courses used in advance of last fall's meeting at Judson) will be used to further the review of the revisions discussed here. Expect the updated versions from this meeting to be uploaded ASAP. They will also be on the IHEAA website <http://iheaa.org/courseoutlines.html>

As an aside, last fall at the IAI (Illinois Articulation Initiative) Art Panel meeting, the 2-year representatives were told that they were off the panel due to the list of new folks eager to get onto the panel. Then this spring those same loyal panel members (such as Al) were reminded to vote on the submitted syllabi and able to login as usual. Those panel members not in attendance in the fall were not notified of the need to step down. Denise asked if there is a disconnect between the IAI and IHEAA? Cindy asked, "How do we get more attendance / participation?" and Al questioned if we do this is it really getting represented at the IAI or is it repetition? Charles explained for the benefit of those new to the IHEAA that we are an open forum. All voices are welcomed here. The IAI is a selection of faculty and administrators from a few representative schools based on a formula of 2 year, 4 year, public, and private institutions. Susan, as a new attendee, expressed the opinion that IHEAA needs to tell its story better: who we are and what we are about. She asked if the IHEAA is on Facebook as an organization page for PR. The administrators of the page could be all of the Board of Officers. All schools these days are increasing their use of Facebook and social media. This point was well taken with the response that it is time to review ourselves and how our message is heard. We want to know that there is purpose and productivity for our time and expense in meeting and working together. GE mentioned their recent program prioritization where the 5th tier was axed. Art landed in tier 3 due to crossover with general education, majors, and alumni placement. Illinois is experiencing unprecedented out migration to neighboring states (33,000 students).

IHEAA mission / vision / goals could be revisited for the next 5 to 10 years. Originally the excitement was for the AFA degree and how articulation works. Now the AFA is established. We could help with recruitment and group goals in the best interest of the students. Every institution has students that need to be where they are. Some are ready for a 4 year degree program and they should go there. The "flounders" are where "we" (higher education) do not do too well.

Why do we continue to advise as if they know where or what they want and are locked into a path for XYZ degree? Cindy voiced that we could share to make things more dynamic, transparent and advisement for a new needs arsenal in soft skills. Work study options are problematic when students don't follow through. Thomm inquired about how to incentivize students to graduate or continue in a degree program.

A discussion of the syllabi recommendations followed. See updates online tagged "2017 revision." Adding digital skills / applications encourages as a boiler plate to each (like 2D statement). Additional discussion included a range of topics. NIU is stepping away from a contained experience in a computer lab. Concern was expressed by several regarding computer/digital practice in Life Drawing because abuse of images is so easy. It was readily agreed that the core of creative field is flexibility and experimentation. Thomm retires in one month and there is not a plan for a full-time replacement, just adjuncts. Standards for adjuncts have different levels for transfer credit or tech classes. Security for digital labs is necessary yet creates access problems. It was decided not to introduce digital practices into Life Drawing at this time. Sketchbooks were added for 2D. Drawing II continues to be somewhat problematic for matching across the state. This outline is more like Drawing III at EIU (and others). Common ground is the continued drawing from observation in color and black and white. Students learn how to draw observationally in color. Jamie voiced observation of need for a climate of expectation and support for adjunct faculty and advocating for adjuncts doing a good job by providing assessment and development opportunities. Concern was expressed about market driven school for market driven society (mission changing). The Arts are skills based: writing, reading, speaking, and creating.

TOUR and Lunch Break

Business Meeting: Minutes of the previous meeting (Fall 2016 at Judson University) were approved. Treasurer's Report was also approved. (Moved by AI and seconded by Patricia)

Election of Officers: 2-year representative to fill a vacancy—Denise Seif from Parkland was elected. Officers are elected to three year terms, this partial term will end in the fall of 2019. Cindy and AI volunteered to head a team to revisit mission / vision / goals. The IHEAA Constitution is posted on the website for review by any interested members. Susan volunteered for Social Network Chair to initiate Facebook and other platforms for IHEAA information and outreach.

Calendar for upcoming meetings:

Next meeting is Fall 2017 at Western Illinois University, October 27, 2017

Spring 2018 location is Kishwaukee College, with host Jamie Long

Fall 2018 possible location is EIU (Patricia will look into it)

Spring 2019 (location yet to be determined)

Fall 2019 possible location Northeastern Illinois University with Nate Mathews

Announcements: NASAD conference is October 12-14 in Atlanta, Georgia.

A dues reminder was announced by Veda.

Motion to adjourn from AI and seconded by GE.

Respectfully submitted: Veda Rives, IHEAA Secretary / Treasurer

This meeting was followed by the IAI Art Panel meeting.

Attendance: 15

Officers: Charles Boone, College of DuPage; G. E. Colpitts, Judson University; Cindy Hellyer Heinz, Northern Illinois University; AI Shull, Lincoln Land Community College; Nate Mathews, Northeastern Illinois University; Denise Seif, Parkland College; Veda Rives, Illinois State University

Members & Guests: Thomm Beggs, McHenry College; John DenHouter, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville; Jamie Long, Kishwaukee College; Karl Warma, Quincy University; Susan Czechowski, Western Illinois University; Patricia Belleville, Eastern Illinois University; Jennifer Costa and Kari Schimmel, Illinois Central College