

## **Friends of the University Libraries Board Meeting, October 5, 2009, 111 East Hall**

**Present:** Fitzgerald, Jung, Steuer, Timmerman, Walker, Zastrow

### **Welcome/Announcements**

Steuer called the meeting to order at 2:05 and welcomed everyone.

### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the minutes. (Fitzgerald/Zastrow)

### **New Business**

Website – Fitzgerald reported that a flyer has been placed on the website for the “New Acquisitions” program.

Events/PR – Steuer reported on PR efforts for “New Acquisitions” event and updated information on “Dressing Emily Dickinson and Edith Wharton.”

“New Acquisitions” - Invitations were sent, posters distributed at meeting, and the history honors society was contacted. Western Herald to be contacted.

“Dressing Emily Dickinson and Edith Wharton” – Date and time tentatively set for Friday, November 13, 3:30 or 4:00 in the Meader Room. It is expected that they will have books to sign and sell at the event.

### **Old Business**

Ford Museum Trip – Zastrow reported that the trip to the Ford Museum is tentatively set for April 10. A behind the scenes tour will be conducted and there may be a special exhibit.

Spring Alternative Energy Event – Fitzgerald reminded the board that of the suggestions he received for possible speakers, he believed the best option was Dr. Bade Shrestha who does research in fuel cell evaluation and renewable and sustainable energy development. It is now up to the Events Committee to follow up. Walker will contact Dr. Shrestha to see if he is interested and, if so, determine possible dates.

Renewal letter update – The renewal letter was approved with minor changes.

Membership mailing list – Board members reviewed the list.

### **Other Business**

Improving membership – Steuer discussed ideas for improving membership. She reported that a great deal of information was passed out at the library graduate student event. A collection exhibition or competition sponsored by the FUL and promoted with a Facebook page was also suggested. Discussion to be continued at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30. (Fitzgerald/Jung)

Next meeting: November 2, 2009 at 2:00pm.