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Chapter officers:
Kristen Mastel, Chair
Christy Dent, Vice-Chair
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Chapter Meetings

I.  Our spring meeting was held during the Joint Conference with VRA Midwest on March 26, 2011; we had ten members present. At the joint meeting we discussed suggestions to drive chapter membership. After each group held their own business meeting. Each of the participants mentioned highlights from the conference thus far. In addition, Kristen provided an update on the mailing of ARLIS/NA Twin Cities postcards to library school programs.

II.  Our summer meeting was held at the American Craft Council on August 1, 2011; we had seventeen people in attendance. During the meeting we provided a conference wrap-up, discussed successes, and thanked everyone for their time, talents and energy. At the meeting several members volunteered to be on a subgroup to work on redesigning the website, which was moved over to the ARLIS/NA servers. After the business meeting Jessica Shaykett led a tour of the ACC Library. We also nominated Laura Morlock as Vice-Chair after the meeting via e-mail.

III.  The fall meeting occurred in conjunction with the Embedded Metadata: An Explanation with Real World Uses, led by Greg Reser, hosted by VRA Midwest on October 17, 2011 at Carleton College, telecast to the University of Minnesota, and encouraged online participants; ARLIS/NA Twin Cities had ten members attending between all the locations. During the lunch break we attempted to do a virtual meeting, however the technology did not work well. We had a brief discussion of how to foster informal mentoring with the chapter, along with launching of the website redesign group.

Chapter Activities

The majority of our members served on the VRA + ARLIS/NA Joint Conference Planning Committee. Many of which were chairs of subcommittees and volunteers at the registration and hospitality desk. In addition, this year the chapter received funds to create a postcard to distribute to library school programs promoting our chapter and the upcoming conference. The planners also reached out to local library science programs to recruit volunteers for the desk in exchange for attending one of the conference sessions, providing a stronger connection to future art librarians and outreach possibilities. After the conference, the local conference planners participated in an informal celebration hosted by Rebecca Moss.
Treasurer’s Report
Jessica Shaykett, Secretary/Treasurer

Membership Statistics
New members in 2011: 4
Renewed members in 2011: 15
Non-renewed members in 2011: 6

Treasurer’s Report
Balance on Jan. 1, 2011: $599.77
Income for 2011: +$370.00
Expenditures for 2011: - $370.85
Balance on Dec. 31, 2011: $598.92
This past year we did not have a travel award, as we hosted the conference in the Twin Cities. The expenses covered the costs of refreshments during our meetings.