Welcome from moderator Hannah Bennett with introductions along with very special thanks to Stephanie Moye who will complete her duties as Update editor for the Museum Division with the June edition. The minutes from the 2004 New York meeting were approved with spelling corrections.

Naomi Niles, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, is the new Moderator; Suzannah Massen, Frick Art Reference Library, New York is Moderator Elect and Amy Ballmer, Art Institute of Chicago, will assume responsibilities as Update Column Editor.

Reminder to all that publications authored by museum division members should be reported so they can be recognized, incorporated in the annual report, and posted on the web site.

Incoming ARLIS/NA President Margaret Webster, and Vice President/ President-elect Ann Baird Whiteside, who is also the Board liaison for the Museum Division, came by to speak briefly of the new Web design for ARLIS/NA and the information there including the Strategic Plan and the core competencies. Program proposals for 2006 are due May 14, 2005. Proposals that address the goals and objectives of the 2006-09 strategic plan and the core competencies are especially encouraged. A reminder that special funding requests are due to Treasurer Lynda S. White, by May 31.

Suzannah Massen, Frick Art Reference Library, New York gave a report on her Robert Motherwell catalogue raisonné project and use of auction resources that was funded by the Dadaelus Foundation. Unfortunately the PowerPoint presentation was not available during the meeting but anyone interested in further information may contact Suzannah by e-mail at massen@frick.org

Linda Zoeckler, described her 5-year project to produce a Handbook and Reader’s Guide to The Huntington Library, Art Collections and Botanical Gardens.


Barbara Rockenbach, Assistant Director for Library Relations, ARTstor, is attending the conference. She welcomes all to visit the ARTstor suite for a demonstration and to ask questions. Barbara is also co-moderator for Session IV, Photography at the Borders: Image/Imagining Texas and Mexico.

Joan Benedetti reported on the progress of the Museum Library Handbook Project.
Recognition of Museum Division members who serve on the ARLIS/NA Board, Jonathan Franklin, National Gallery of Canada; and Eumie Imm-Stroukoff, Georgia O’Keeffe Museum.

Again, important dates to keep in mind: May 7, 2005 Houston conference proceedings are due; May 14 program proposals for 2006 conference, May 31 special funding requests.