

AMIA Student Chapter at Emerson College

2016-2017 Annual Report

Outgoing Officers:

President- Kevin Dusenberry
Vice-President- Stephen Szmed
Treasurer- Ben Winters
Secretary- Osiel Gonzalez

Incoming Officers:

President- Kevin Dusenberry
Vice-President- Ben Winters
Treasurer- Osiel Gonzalez
Secretary- Ella Dixon

Review:

This past year was the first official implementation of the AMIA Student Chapter at Emerson College. The chapter's priorities and goals centered around building interest in the topics that this organization deals with and increasing membership and the participation numbers of Emerson students and faculty. To do so, the chapter spent the first semester of its inaugural year focusing on securing publicity via trusted community outlets and establishing name recognition as a steady introduction to the populace. It was decided upon by the executive board to carry out this mission into the second semester with the intention of starting to host campus lectures and activities in the 2017-2018 academic year. We extended outreach to include tabling activities and passing out promotional literature. Throughout these two semesters, we held monthly chapter meetings to discuss the direction of the organization and current events within the motion picture archiving and preservation industry. At the end of Spring 2017 semester, a vote was held to remove the Communication & Events position on the executive board and to merge the duties of this position into the others. An updated constitution is being drafted and will be supplied in the coming weeks.

For the 2017-2018 academic year, the AMIA Student Chapter at Emerson College plans to host speakers from various community archives and archive related businesses located within the Boston area. In addition, education workshops will be held at various times throughout the year to help the community that is now aware of our presence on campus and our mission as an organization. We are looking forward to all that is planned to come and to growing our chapter further.