Date: March 7, 2005

To: Sheryl Stevens, President, Midwest Chapter, Medical Library Association

From: Clare Leibfarth, Chair, Publications Committee

Subject: Report for the Spring Board Meeting, Chicago, IL, March 18, 2005

Publications Committee Members:

Clare Leibfarth (OH), Chair
Ximena Chrisagis (OH)
Mary Taylor (IL)

Objectives:

1. To publish quarterly online issues of MIDLINE by soliciting, collecting, writing, and editing features and columns to be posted on the Midwest Chapter website within one month of copy deadline.
2. To encourage contributions of news items, announcements, informative articles, and ideas from the chapter membership through personal and professional contacts and the chapter listserv.
3. To expand committee membership to enable greater chapter membership input into official publications.
4. Work with the chapter President and Board for effective implementation of the 2005 Presidential Goals and Objectives.

Activities:

1. Produced the Fall and Winter issues of MIDLINE and worked with the Technology Committee to post the issues on the Chapter website.
2. Announced the availability of the Fall and Winter issues of MIDLINE on the Chapter listserv.
3. Solicited newsletter items and sent deadline notice reminders to Chapter members via the Chapter listserv and personal e-mail.
4. Introduced the “Midwest Chapter Newsflash” for more timely dissemination of “official” information to chapter members using the listserv.
5. Represented the Midwest Chapter at the Kent State University School of Library and Information Science “Library Careers Night 2005” on February 15, 2005.

This report is informational and requires no further action from the Board.