



## Midwest Chapter/Medical Library Association

### Annual Business Meeting

Monday, October 20, 2008

Marriott Hotel, Troy, Michigan

12:40-1:40 p.m.

### MINUTES

#### 1. Call to Order

The Annual Business meeting of the Midwest Chapter was called to order by Mary Markland, President, at 12:40 p.m.

Determination of quorum:

81 Midwest Chapter members were present, confirming a quorum.

Thank you to 2008 Conference Planning Committee:

Mary Markland extended a thank you to the Michigan Conference Coordinator Ellen O'Donnell and Local Arrangements Chair Sandra Martin and all the conference planning committees for hosting this year's joint Midwest Chapter, MLA/Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association meeting. Members of the Conference Planning Committees were asked to stand and be recognized.

#### 2. Introductions and Special Guests

Mary Ryan, MLA President and Carla Funk, MLA Executive Director

#### 3. 2007 Annual Business Meeting Minutes

**Motion, Passed:** Moved to adopt 2007 Business Meeting minutes [Motion by Deborah Lauseng]

#### 4. Bylaws Revision Review and Vote

Sheryl Stevens presented the revised bylaws. As required by MLA, the revised bylaws have been available (Midwest listserv and Chapter website) to the membership since September 19, one month prior to the Annual Business Meeting. Two specific changes are: 1) under duties of the Treasurer—submit preliminary budget at the fall Executive Board meeting, and 2) change the Governmental Relations Committee to an appointed Governmental Relations Liaison. A series of general edits were made for readability.

**Motion, Passed:** Move to dispense with the reading of the bylaws article by article [Motion by Marlene Porter].

**Motion, Passed by 2/3 vote:** Accept the revised Bylaws [Motion from Special Bylaws Committee].

5. Membership Secretary Report

Bette Sydelko reported that as of September 30<sup>th</sup>, we have 399 members. 15 of these members are student members, six of whom are in attendance.

Bette recognized Beth Carlin for her work on Midwest Chapter traveling banner to be used within the states for recruitment into the profession and for membership in the Midwest Chapter.

6. Treasurer Report

Marlene Porter reported that the Chapter's financial statement as of October 16, 2008 shows a beginning balance of \$52,594.21 and ending balance of \$79,086.55 for a net increase of \$26,492.34. This reflects a deposit from MHSLA to pay for Annual Meeting related expenses.

7. Representative to MLA Chapter Council Report

Pam Rees, provided an overview of what is Chapter Council—composed of 14 MLA Chapter with representatives that serve as a liaison between chapter and MLA. Both the Representative and Alternate serve on committees and fulfill liaison roles. Pam commented that this is a great way to be immersed in MLA during the 3 year term. Announcements: A survey of potential Chapter Sharing Roundtable topics and the MLA Salary Survey are available from on MLANet.org.

8. Annual Meetings Report

Donna Barbour-Talley announced the place for the upcoming meeting: 2009 in Columbus, Ohio; 2010 in Madison, Wisconsin; 2011 in Indiana; and 2012 in Minnesota (likely Rochester).

a. Report from Michigan, 2008

Ellen O'Donnell, Annual Meeting Chair, thanked attendees for coming and supporting this year's joint Midwest Chapter/Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association meeting. There were 162 registrants, of which 74 MHSLA members and 90 Midwest Chapter members. There has been wonderful exhibits support. 15 contributed papers. Sandra Martin, Local Arrangements Chair, recognized all the committee chairs. Overall 40 people worked to prepare for this joint Midwest/MHSLA meeting.

b. Wisconsin

The 2010 Annual Meeting will be held September 24-28 in Madison, Wisconsin at the Inn on the Park on Capital Square.

9. Awards and Scholarships

Sheryl Stevens presented the following awards:

- a. Annual Meeting Scholarships (\$500.00 each) went to Chyrsta MeadowBrooke, University of Michigan School of Information student, and Zack Young, University of Kentucky School of Library and Information Science
- b. Professional Development Award (\$500.00) was presented to Christine Allan, Munson Community Health Library, Traverse City, MI
- c. Jean Williams Sayre Innovation Award (\$500.00) was awarded to the staff of Gunderson Lutheran Health System Library & Health Information Services (LaCrosse, WI) for their innovative development of GLine database. Working in collaboration with Gunderson Information Systems, the Library staff used RefWorks and RefShare to support the information needs of Gunderson's research departments.
- d. Distinguished Librarian Award: Carole Gilbert, 2006 Distinguished Librarian Award recipient, presented this year's award to Logan Ludwig, Loyola. Surprised and appreciative, Logan accepted the award. He shared that he couldn't have gotten to where he is without the support of people around him--his staff and colleagues across the profession.

#### 10. Nominations and Elections

Mary Markland shared the results of the election, and introduced the new officers.  
 President-Elect (2009) - Elaine Skopelja  
 Membership Secretary (2009-2010): Rebecca Caton  
 Representative-at-Large (2009-2010): Ximena Chrisagis  
 Potential Candidate to the MLA Nominating Committee (2009): Charniel McDaniels  
 Archivist (2009-2010): Mary Hitchcock

#### 11. Old Business

##### a. Web Site

Clare Leibfarth, ConnectMidwest Editor, promoted the new Chapter blog and encouraged people to visit the Midwest Chapter booth within the exhibitors' area for a demonstration of how easy it is become a "blogger."

##### b. Policies and Procedures Special Committee

Work is underway to review the Chapter's policies and procedures. The Board is using PBwiki and hopes to have a link to the completed procedures available from the Chapter Website within the next year.

#### 12. New Business

##### a. Committee Chairs

Deborah Lauseng presented the 2009 Standing Committee Chairs. A full list of the Executive Board, other officers, standing committee and members was distributed. As incoming President, Deborah appoints committee chairs and members for positions open during her presidential year.

Annual Meetings Chair: Donna Barbour-Talley, 2008-2009  
Awards and Scholarships Chair: Sheryl Stevens, 2008-2009  
Communications Committee Chair: Karen Anderson, 2009  
Finance Chair: Marlene Porter, 2008-2009  
Membership Chair: Rebecca Caton, 2009-2010  
Nominations and Election Chair: Mary Markland, 2009  
Professional Practice Chair: Janna Lawrence, 2008-2009  
State Liaison Chair: Ximena Chrisagis, 2009-2010

13. Recognition of Outgoing Officers and Committee Chairs

The following outgoing members of the Board were recognized:

Mary Markland, President, 2008

Deborah Lauseng, President-Elect, 2008

Chris Shaffer, Immediate Past President and Chair, Nominations & Election Committee, 2008

Bette Sydelko, Membership Secretary and Chair, Membership Committee, 2007-2008

Nancy O'Brien, Representative at Large and Chair, State Liaison Committee, 2007-2008

Rebecca Caton, Archivist, 2007-2008

Karen Anderson, Chair, Communications Committee, 2008 (re-appointed)

Sheryl Stevens, Chair, Bylaws Special Committee, 2008

Bette Sydelko, Chair, Electronic Payment Special Committee, 2008

Chris Shaffer, Chair, Policies and Procedures Special Committee, 2008

Brian Finnegan, Chair, Web Site Redesign Special Committee, 2007-2008

14. 2009 Ohio Invitation and Drawings

Annual Meeting Co-coordinators Marlene Porter and Bette Sydelko presented a skit and showed a video welcoming attendees to the 2009 Midwest Chapter meeting in Columbus, Ohio. We were invited to "seek, explore, and discover" October 3-6 at the Hyatt on Capital Square, across the street from the renovated state house. The plenary speaker will be Clifford Stoll.

A drawing was held for two free 2009 Midwest Chapter Annual Meeting registration certificates. Winners were Katherine Chew, University of Minnesota; Merle Rosenzweig, University of Michigan; and Chrysta MeadowBrooke, University of Michigan School of Information.

15. Transfer of Gavel

Mary Markland transferred the gavel to Deborah Lauseng, new Chapter President.

16. Adjourn

Holly Burt moved for adjournment. Deborah Lauseng adjourned the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Chapter/Medical Library Association at 1:40 p.m. until the Columbus 2009 meeting.

*Respectfully submitted, Deborah Lauseng, Acting Recording Secretary.*