



**Midwest Chapter Medical Library Association
2017 Annual Business Meeting
Monday, October 16
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm
Ypsilanti, MI**

- 1. Call to Order and Welcome:** Deb Werner, President
Meeting called to order at 12:15 and there were approximately 75 were in attendance
Deb provided a summary or progress this year and recognized a few major accomplishments: 1. efforts of the current planning committee as well as those of the 2016 meeting; 2. new website was launched 3. Initiating chapter fundraising efforts 4. special meetings committee work 5. mentorship program won the chapter project of the year
- 2. Review/approve minutes from 2016 Annual Business Meeting:** Jen Deberg, Recording Secretary.
Merle made a motion to approve and Alison Erlinger seconded
- 3. Membership Secretary Report:** Heather Healy, on behalf of Stephanie Schulte, Membership Secretary
Provided an overview of the # of members and updated on online renewals process
- 4. Treasurer's Report:** Liz Kiscaden, Treasurer
Provided an overview of the financial situation this year, which is substantially improved this year.
- 5. Representative to MLA Chapter Council Report:** Janna Lawrence, Representative
Provided an overview of role which is to serve as conduit between chapters and discuss how things are done with other chapters to help figure out better ways/workflows. She also serves as continuing education committee for MLA
- 6. Annual Meetings Report:** Clare Leibfarth, Annual Meetings Chair for this meeting.
In 2019 we will meet in Milwaukee and planning is going well with this group.
She recognized the efforts of planning committee
- 7. Annual Meetings Special Committee Report**
Clare Leibfarth, Annual Meeting Chair
Provided an overview of how this committee came about and its goals to improve the planning process, continuity, with centralization of some activities. Displayed the charge of the group and reviewed the highlights and proposed changes. Changes for 2019 will be: 1. centralized review of

hotel contract 2. CE will be handled by the professional practice committee 3. there will be an individual conference liaison 4. vendor relations will be handled by a member of annual meetings committee. The board also began discussion of the ways that our meetings are planned via 9 state rotation and differentiating roles of hosting group and how profit sharing works. She asked the membership to begin thinking about these issues, as she will be sending out a survey in future. There was a question about consideration of online meetings periodically and Clare indicated that this is definitely being considered. Another comment was made about importance of chapter member voting to ensure that changes made are responsive to needs off users. Concern brought up about drawbacks of online meeting approach.

8. Communications Report: Elizabeth Huggins, Communications Chair

Provided an overview of the website migration to Wordpress—the url has not changed. She provided a summary of some of the major changes and challenges that the team are working on. Connect Midwest (blog) is being retired at end of next year. Some restructuring of the communication committee. She thanked her committee members.

9. Nominations and Elections report: Chris Childs, Immediate Past President

51% was the voting response and he thanks those who contributed to the efforts

10. Awards and Scholarships Presentations: Nicole Theis-Mahon, Awards and Scholarships Chair

She acknowledged everyone who provided support.

- Student Annual Meeting Award - Caroline Hogan, University of Iowa
- First-Time Attendee Award - Allison Erlinger, Nationwide Children’s Hospital, Columbus, OH
- Annual Meeting Grant - Rosie Hanneke, University of Illinois – Chicago
- Jean Williams Sayre Innovation Award - Jonna Peterson and Corinne Miller, Northwestern University
- Distinguished Librarian of the Year - Merle Rosenzweig, University of Michigan

11. Professional Practice Report; Poster/Paper Research Awards: Angie Tucker, Professional Practice Chair

Thanked all for participation and winners were announced:

- Best Research poster award: Barb Gushrowski, Community Health Network, Indianapolis, IN
- Best Research paper award: Deborah Lauseng, Emily Johnson, and Carmen Howard, University of Illinois at Chicago
- Honorable mention for research paper: Rachel Hinrichs, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

12. Old Business

a. 2017 fundraising efforts: Edith Starbuck

Raised a total of \$1038 between silent auction and the critter vote. She asked that everyone who donated items to stand and be recognized. She recognized everyone who helped with staffing the table. The critter winner was reported: the owl. She provided a background of how both of these activities came about. She reviewed the board discussion about continuing the fundraising efforts via a committee which will be developed this year.

b. Website migration: Elizabeth Huggins

She reported that migration is mostly complete but she needs additional feedback. She reported that most of the information that we are discussing today are located under chapter business. Midline, the chapter newsletter, will continue and she encouraged members to consider submitting news/updates to Abby Thorne, the newsletter editor.

13. New Business

Formalizing fundraising efforts: Deb Werner

Karen will be moving forward with formalizing fundraising committee, which will require a change of the bylaws.

14. 2018 Midwest Chapter Annual Meeting Announcement/Raffle

Margaret Hoogland, Chair, 2018 Midwest Chapter/MLA Publicity Committee

Showed promotional video and invitation to Cleveland

15. New Incoming Officers and Committee Chairs

President – Karen Hanus

President-Elect – Merle Rosenzweig

Recording Secretary – Edith Starbuck

Candidate for MLA Nominating Committee – Deborah Lauseng

Nominations & Elections Chair – Deb Werner

Awards & Scholarships Committee Chair – Anna Beth Morgan

Governmental Relations Liaison – Elizabeth Whipple

Archivist – Megan Keller Young

16. Recognition of Outgoing Officers and Committee Chairs

Deb Werner – Outgoing President

Chris Childs – Outgoing Immediate Past President

Karen Hanus – Outgoing President Elect, Incoming President

Jen DeBerg – Outgoing Recording Secretary

Ramune Kubilius – Outgoing Candidate for MLA Nominating Committee

Nicole Theis-Mahon – Outgoing Awards & Scholarship Chair

Special recognition for Nicole and Edith for fundraising efforts

17. Transfer of Gavel

Deb Werner, President

Karen Hanus, President-Elect

18. Adjourn

Karen Hanus, President

Merle moved to adjourn and Angie seconded-- Meeting adjourned at 1:15