

**MLGSCA Business Meeting
FALL MEETING
October 19, 2004
Long Beach Memorial Medical Center**

Welcome

President Marsha Kmec welcomed those in attendance and thanked Alice Kawakami and the rest of the CE Committee for putting together today's programming.

Call To Order

M. Kmec called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.

Introductions: New Members and New AC Members

M. Kmec introduced the new faces of MLGSCA including Jennifer Marrujo, Kathy Drake, Zoha Zahibi, Judith Samuel, Belinda Beardt, Paula Romeyn, Cliff Bushin, Marissa Lighthouse, Doreen Spencer, Evelyn Simpson, Michelle Gordon, Liberty Gooler, Beth Araya, Carol Bondeurant, Arpita Bose, and Judy Kammerer. Also introduced was a new member to Advisory Council from Arizona, Rebecca Birr.

Approval of Minutes – April 24, 2004 Business Meeting

ACTION: The minutes of the April 24, 2004 Business Meeting were approved as submitted.

OFFICE AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report (Helen Seaton)

Helen Seaton reported that the ending balance in the Bank of America primary checking account was \$1,716.49. This balance is considerably less than the previous quarter because the group's Scholarship Endowment funds, totaling \$27,587.64, which was temporarily housed in the checking account, has been reinvested in a Vanguard fund. The current fund balance reflects total quarterly receipts of \$495.00. Receipts include \$175.00 in membership dues, \$300.00 for advertising, and \$20.00 in exchange participation. Quarterly expenditures totaled \$1,008.31. Expenditures include money for food service, travel, postage and mailings, fees, and a scholarship donation.

As of September 30, 2004, the balance in the Joint Meeting checking account was \$7,253.71. The increase from the previous balance is due to exhibitor registrations for the February meeting.

The Vanguard Money Market account shows a balance of \$252,593.44 as of September 30, 2004. During this quarter, the account earned \$749.38 in dividend income, which was automatically reinvested in the account.

The MLGSCA Endowment Fund of \$27,587.64 was deposited in a Vanguard Federal Market Fund. Since the investment date of August 17, 2004 this account has earned \$42.42 in dividend income, which was automatically reinvested in the account. This money had to be reinvested because the Delaware account where it resided was closed.

As of September 30, 2004, the MLGSCA ILL coupon liability was \$167,112.00.

ILL Coupon Manager (Carla Smith)

M. Kmec reported that the coupon manager's report was included in today's handouts for review.

CE/Program Committee (Alice Kawakami)

A. Kawakami reported that a survey was sent to the listserv in August asking for CE topic interests. There were 39 responses. The number one choice was the invisible web, which is today's program. The order of interest for other topics was wireless technology, patient/consumer education, evaluating research for conflict of interest, and instituting a consumer health library. A. Kawakami said that the CE committee was looking into wireless technology for the spring program.

The September 22 teleconference, entitled *The Art and Practice of Electronic Journal, Book, and Database Licenses: Practical Tips for Health Care Organizations* was held at various locations in California.

MLA announced a new program for members called the Independent Reading Program. Members can read select articles from the *Journal of the Medical Library Association* and receive CE contact hours by writing a brief analysis of the article and answering specific questions.

Carole Levitt and Mark Rosch of Internet for Lawyers will present today's program, entitled *Just the Facts Ma'am: Facts Finding on the Internet*.

Awards Committee (Russell Smith)

R. Smith was not present and M. Kmec stated there was no report at this time.

Chapter Council Report (Doreen Keough)

D. Keough reported that MLA was asking for ideas for the Phoenix meeting in 2006 including CE symposium. The deadline is December 15th. The deadline for volunteering to be on an MLA committee is October 31st. The Internet Librarian conference will be offering a tract for medical librarians. MLA is calling for nominations for the Daniel T. Richards Prize, which is for collection development.

Finance Committee (Cheryl Bartel)

C. Bartel was not present and M. Kmec stated there was no report at this time.

Joint Meeting Planning Committee, 2005 (Judy Bube, Judy Kraemer, Diana Lane)

Judy Kraemer reported that the dates for the meeting are February 2-5, 2005. Postcards were sent out and if you did not receive one then make sure to check with Gloria Arredondo to update your mailing address. There have been several listserv announcements and the MLGSCA newsletter has information about the meeting as well. There are opportunities for people to submit posters or papers so please send in abstracts. The posters will be on display the entire meeting. There are also opportunities to join subcommittees such as hospitality. The next meeting will be on November 1 so please email J. Kraemer if you are interested in attending.

Newsletter Committee (Christina Mayberry, Dominique Turnbow)

Both C. Mayberry and D. Turnbow were not present. M. Kmec reported that over the next eight months MLGSCA will be looking for two new editors of the newsletter. Please contact M. Kmec, C. Mayberry, or D. Turnbow if you are interested in being an editor.

Research Committee (Mary. Aldous)

M. Aldous was not present and M. Kmec stated there was no report at this time.

Exchange Committee (Marsha Kmec for Evonda Copeland)

E. Copeland was not present but M. Kmec reported she applied for the Majors/MLA Chapter Project of the Year Award for the exchange database that is being worked on in conjunction with MLA.

Professional Issues (Irene Lovas)

I. Lovas reported that on October 3 she and Judy Kraemer went to California State Fullerton for a professional associations fair where they recruited three new members. With Jana Bradley now dean at the University of Arizona library school, they expect more recruitment to medical librarianship. There were 22 students enrolled in the UCLA medical librarianship course and 14 at the San Jose program. I. Lovas urged people to become a mentor and fill out an application on the MLA mentor site. Currently, there are about 10 mentors in MLGSCA.

Public Relations (Marge Geiger)

M. Geiger was not present and M. Kmec stated that M. Geiger has been finding vendors for the newsletter.

EIRC (Andrea Lynch)

A. Lynch reported that she is updating the discussion list so that new and renewed members are on the list. She is also assisting non-members to post to the discussion list for items such as job postings. M. Kmec added that A. Lynch is filming today's program for Arizona members.

Membership (Gloria Arredondo)

M. Kmec stated that Cinthya Ippoliti resigned from her position as membership chair and reported that Gloria Arredondo volunteered to take the position. G. Arredondo reported that there are currently 306 members and a few more as well as not all have been entered in the membership database. Several packets have been sent out including some to students to recruit members.

H. Seaton asked if anyone joining MLGSCA now should be considered for the calendar year 2005 membership. The answer was yes.

Webmaster (Chris Ewing)

C. Ewing was not present and M. Kmec said there was no report at this time.-

M. Kmec asked how the Joint Meeting web site looked. J. Kraemer said that it was great and that Steve Clancy and A. Lynch have been helping as well. A member mentioned that the link for the joint meeting was not on the MLA page. M. Kmec stated that she would contact C. Ewing about the problem.

ILL (Anna Habetler)

A. Habetler was not present but notified M. Kmec that there was nothing to report at this time.

Government Relations (Betty Allanson)

B. Allanson encouraged members to weigh in on why they think it is a good idea for NIH to offer open access to articles resulting from NIH-funded research to their elected official. MLANET has additional information on this. B. Allanson also reported that an important case in appeal is regarding National Geographic being sued by some photographers. This case may have an affect on the digital archiving of books and journals. A handout was available with detailed information on these issues.

PSRML Rep (Ellen Aaronson)

E. Aaronson was not present and M. Kmec stated there was no to report at this time.

MLA Credentialing (Julie Kwan)

J. Kwan was not present and M. Kmec stated there was no to report at this time.

OTHER BUSINESS

Nominating

Past-President Alan Carr reported that the Nominating Committee will be looking to fill the positions of President-Elect, Treasurer-Elected, Secretary, and two Nominations Committee members.

Changes in AHIP point structure

M. Kmec reported that she received a notice from MLA that there is a change in the AHIP points index. The index was included in the meeting's handouts. More details are also on MLANET.

Leadership Grant

M. Kmec reported that this is leadership grant available whereby anyone or chapter can apply for \$2,500 for leadership education. If you have an idea, please contact M. Kmec who will forward you more information.

Tri-Chapter Meeting(s)—proposed:

M. Kmec reported that it has been proposed that we transition from a Joint Meeting to a Tri-chapter meeting joining forces with Pacific Northwest Chapter (PNC), which has approximately 100 members. A conference call took place in July with Rebecca Davis from NCNMLG, Vicki Croft from PNC/MLA, and A. Carr, A. Kawakami, and M. Kmec from MLGSCA. M. Kmec stated that PNC hosts a meeting every October with the main purpose of generating enough revenue to keep the chapter going. NCNMLG is interested in a Tri-Chapter meeting because they look to raise money as well to keep going. NCN is eager to join forces with PNC and PNC is very interested as well.

M. Kmec asked those members present in an informal poll if there was interest by our members to create a Tri-Chapter meeting. A discussion of the pros and cons ensued of

the Tri-Chapter meeting. Benefits discussed included meeting in other parts of the country, attending different types of CE activities, hearing different presenters, and meeting members of other chapters.

M. Kmec continued by stating that there was a letter from Rebecca Davis detailing a meeting calendar for the next few years. With this schedule, MLGSCA would not host a meeting until 2008 and the month would be October. A discussion of the cons of hosting a meeting in October ensued. Cons discussed by members included academic librarians cannot get away in October due to classes, October is a really busy month for meetings and we would be competing with other chapters for exhibitors/vendors, advertising to new library students in October would be tough since the semester just started, we would be competing with getting CE presenters, and hotels may be more difficult to book for a meeting.

A. Carr offered some background regarding the July conference call. He stated that the proposed meeting schedule during the call was different from that within R. Davis' letter. In July it was discussed that when MLGSCA hosted the meeting, it would continue to be in February with either 9 months or 17 months between meetings. PNC cannot host a meeting in January or February due to the weather in their area of the country.

M. Kmec stated that she will contact NCNMLG and PNC/MLA presidents and hold another conference to have further discussion. M. Kmec asked for another informal poll as to whether members wanted to maintain the February date if we transition to a Tri-Chapter meeting. The majority of members present voted yes.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Meeting Handouts

- Agenda
- Minutes of the April 14, 2004 Business Meeting
- Treasurer's Report
- Coupon Exchange Report
- Government Relations Report
- AHIP Points Index Information
- Letter from Rebecca Davis, NCNMLG