MLGSCA Business Meeting Minutes
January 28, 2010, 4:30 – 5:30 PM
Renaissance Glendale Hotel & Spa, Glendale, AZ

Call to Order & Welcome and President's Update (L. Marks)

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 pm. Lisa Marks welcomed all attendees.

The minutes from the last Business Meeting, held April 23rd, 2009, were approved.

Officer, Committee & Other Reports

Treasurer (M. Harrington). Treasurer Molly Harrington was not in attendance due to a family emergency.

Chapter Council (A. Lynch). If anyone wants to submit questions or requests to the Chapter Council, they can send them to Andrea Lynch.

Awards (L. Stubblefield). Laura Stubblefield reported the Awards Committee is on track.

- Seven applications received for scholarships.
  - These applications are currently under review.
- The first Paraprofessional Award was presented by Lisa Marks to Kathleen Shepler at this meeting.
  - Jacque Doyle said a few words about the award winner
    - Hired long ago at Good Samaritan hospital.
    - Incredible worker, including ILL streamlining and creative solutions.
    - Mainstay of the library, very dependable.
    - Hard work with CABL, representing paraprofessionals. She kept archives.
    - Happy to know and have hired.
    - Sally Harvey, her current boss at the Banner Good Samaritan Medical Center, appreciates her too.
  - Ms. Shepler talked about Dewey the library cat. He did ordinary things extraordinarily well.
    - Ms. Shepler thanked Jacque, Sally, and Cynthia.

CE/Program (E. Wakiiji).

- At July meeting decision was made to increase CE fees from $35 to $40.
- Fall program was successful in November.
  - Good evaluations for instructors.
  - One drawback was low registration. Why couldn't people attend? Program was geared towards hospital librarians, but was also useful for academic librarians.
  - 22 registered, 20 attended.
  - Too close to Thanksgiving, near webcast.
- If you have suggestions for the spring program, send them to Eileen. Will probably be in April. That will depend on ideas and who can teach.
Webcast will be March 24th.
- RML found that traveling is the biggest barrier to attending meetings.
- Will look at a different site, including Arizona. The CE is usually held in California and Arizona.

**Connections (A. Harrow)**. No report at this time. Andrea Harrow not here.

**EIRC (P. Bielman)**. Chair Paul Bielman sent a report with nothing to report.

**Finance (E. Aaronson)**. Ellen Aaronson shared an e-mail from Robb Mackes, regarding Speaker reimbursement for travel expenses.
- Negotiated fee needs to include travel expenses.
- Will have to check with financial advisors on California and Arizona laws.
- Speakers here will be paid for travel, but AC will look at.

**2010 Joint Meeting (E. Aaronson/J. Bube)**
- Thank you from Ellen. She has received lots of positive comments from attendees.
- There were 125 registered attendees, 32 exhibitors, and 4 print ad sponsors.
- Please fill out evaluations. Link is live online now. There will be a prize for filling them out.
- Judy Bube thanked everyone; it’s been a pleasure working on this meeting.
- Ellen thanked MLGSCA for support ($75,000 transferred from Vanguard account) for this meeting. Much of the borrowed money will be paid back.

**Government Relations (M. White/J. Kraemer)**. No report.

**Membership (D. Linden)**. Report from Danielle Linden.
- 2010 renewal opened in November, open until Nov 2010. As of Jan. 22, 2010:
  - 134 total members,
    - 111 renewals, 17 student, 6 retired.
  - Last year had more memberships, 172
- If you haven’t renewed membership, please do now. You have to pay dues before you can vote.
- The Honorary Life Membership nomination form is complete and available online.

**Newsletter (E. Brennan, K. Carlson)**. Emily Brennan reported.
- They have been blogging for the meeting, with 16 official bloggers.
  - The blogs are categorized by activity and content. She hopes for follow-up posts, too.
  - Andrea Lynch is using tools to collect statistics and analytics.
  - The Blog is permanently displayed on MLGSCA web page. If you have any news, send it to Emily.

**Nominating (D. Klein)** Debra Klein (past president) enjoyed this work and she thanked committee members: Alan Carr, Irene Lovas, Kathleen Carlson, Laura B.
Nominees for President-Elect:
- Becky Birr: Maricopa Integrated Health System, Phoenix
- Zoe Pettway-Unno: Kaiser Permanente South Bay, LA Area

Nominees for Secretary:
- Emily Brennan: USC Norris Medical Library, LA
- Michelle Bureau: Carondelet Health Network, Tucson

Nominees for MLGSCA Nominating Committee (two to be elected):
- Carol Ann Attwood: Mayo Clinic, Scottsdale
- Brooke Billman: AZ Health Sciences Library, Tucson
- Sherrill Olsen: Huntington Hospital, Pasadena
- Laura Stubblefield: Sharp Memorial Hospital, San Diego

- Thank you all for running and willingness to serve.
  - Treasurer and Chapter Council are multi-year terms.
  - Nominee to MLA nominating committee. Proposed by nominating committee and approved by AC. Bylaws stipulate that nominees can be made by general membership. Any additional nominees now? No response.
- Next step will be ballot on Survey Monkey. Ballot will be available online 30 days before the spring meeting.
  - You must pay dues and be current to vote.
- Thank you from Lisa.

Professional Issues (I. Lovas).
- Committee worked on paraprofessional award. They are happy to see presentation of award.
- Criteria for paraprofessional scholarship, someone working in a library. Applications received.
- Asked by MLA to prepare a list of activities for recruitment and retention.
- Send any news to Irene on student recruitment.
- Article in MLA News for award.

Research (C. Haynes). Zoe Pettway-Unno reported.
- The committee held a conference call on November 12th.
- They will revise information on web site.
- Award announcement will be on blog, with other news on listserv.
- Research Award Applications
  - Requires a budget to be submitted.
  - No applications yet, so maybe it's not enough.
  - Raise amount to $1000?
Suggestions? Maybe raising awareness will get more applications. People may be too stressed to do research. Members encouraged to spread the word.

Web site will be revised and add links to MLA research initiatives.

Archivist (M. Kmec). Marsha Kmec reported that the Archives have been cataloged so they can be put into storage. She will meet with a student, maybe to start a project to work on.

Benchmarking Liaison (C. McClamma)

Internal Auditor (A. Carr). Last July at AC meeting financial advisor talked about auditing.

- As Internal Auditor, Alan looked at MLGSCA books online in January. Everything looked good.

PSRML Representative (A. Carr). No advisory committee. RML is working on Emergency preparedness. Poster here on that topic.

Public Relations (S. Clancy). Steve Clancy reported.

- All advertisers have renewed for the blog (October to March). Vendors include BMJ, EOS, Elsevier, Mosby, and STAT!Ref.
  - It has been a challenge to explain the change from newsletter to blog. One vendor requested pre-invoice, but maybe a phone call in the future will improve process.
- Their next step is to look at vendors here at the meeting.

Webmaster (A. Lynch). Andrea Lynch said she has been focusing on the Joint Meeting website.

- Headline animator to make blog more prominent.
- Web site may have given an error last week, early this week. Everything has been resolved.
  - MLA was upgrading their site.
- Nominating committee liked seeing the old newsletters. Please keep them up. Old files will not be deleted.

Old Business. No old business.

New Business. First-time attendees were introduced: Brooke Billman, from University of Arizona and AZHIN, Kathy Quinn, library director from San Diego, and attendee from China.

Connie Schardt, the MLA president, is here.

Judy Kraemer has a job opening at her hospital in Long Beach, CA. She will announce to MLGSCA blog.

Next meeting in conjunction with spring CE.

Adjournment: Alan Carr moved, Ellen Aaronson seconded to adjourn at 5:21 pm.