MLGSCA Business Meeting
MLA Conference 2017 - Seattle, WA

Monday, May 29, 2017

28 attendees

*In attendance:* Caroline Marshall, Melissa Johnson, Jennifer Dinalo, Penny Coppernoll-Blach, Laura Stubblefield, David Bickford, Melinda Davies, Nisha Mody, Andrea Harrow, Kathleen Carlson, Sue Espe, Kay Deeney, Kathryn Houk, Bethany Myers, Nita Mailander, Hal Bright, Judy Consales, Rikke Ogawa, Alan Carr, Gerald Rezas, Shanalee Tamares, Heather Rodriguez-James, Norma Layton, Amy Chatfield, Annie Thompson, Cynthia Henderson, Janet Hobbs, Kelli Hines

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Caroline Marshall at 3:30pm.

**Report from President given by Caroline Marshall-President Elect:**

**Announcements:**

**Awards:**
- Danielle Linden was awarded the Louise Darling MLGSCA Achievement Award.
- *Nominees for the Paraprofessional of the Year award are needed. Please submit them ASAP.*

**New officers:**
- Kelli Hines - President-Elect
- Danielle Linden – Chair Credentialing Committee
- Jennifer Dinalo - Treasurer
- Melissa Johnson - Secretary
- Rebecca Davis and Janene Wandersee – Nominating Committee
- Janet Hobbs and Andrea Harrow- Professional Issues

Amy Nadell is stepping down and has reported problems with the list-serv.  Please report any problems to Caroline Marshall and Melinda Davis, the new list-serv administrator.

**New committee chairs:**
- Daisy Nip - Web Services chair
- *Needed: Chairs for Government Relations and Connections.*

**Documents Distributed for Meeting**

- MLGSCA Business Meeting Agenda
- Treasurer’s Report 3rd Quarter FY16-17
- Treasurer’s Report: MLGSCA Location of Assets
Officer, Committee, and Other Reports:

Outgoing Treasurer - Sue Espe: Report pending
Financial statements attached:
- Treasurer’s Report 3rd Quarter FY16-17
- Treasurer’s Report: MLGSCA Location of Assets

Chapter Council rep - Hal Bright:
The Joint NCNMLG/MLGSCA Meeting will be in Scottsdale, AZ January 21-24 at the Embassy Suites. On June 12, the co-chairs will meet to determine the theme and responsibilities. Hal has been recruiting vendors during the MLA conference. Several NCNMLG members have been recruited as conference volunteers.

The tentative schedule:
- Sunday - CE, attendees arrive, and vendor reception
- Monday - Plenary with program sessions
- Tuesday - program sessions with dinner and reception
- Wednesday - wrap up and attendees depart

Chapter Council rep- Annie Thompson:
MLA representatives have been awarded a $240,000 grant over 3 years to establish an MLA research institute to enhance the quality of literature and research output. There will be 20 students per cohort, focusing on both qualitative and quantitative research.

Barbara Epstein, new President of MLA would like to know when joint meetings are scheduled so she can attend.

MLA.net use is up 20-30% over last year, and we have a new JMLA digital platform. If you have ideas about services that can be centralized or shared through MLAnet or the new LMS, MedLibEd, please share them with Annie Thompson (e.g., finance management, negotiating contracts, chapter CE).

The Socious platform will be going away. We will be migrating to Higher Logic. If our chapter wants to participate as a beta site, please inform Annie.

We can consider digital archiving through Wild Apricot or Amazon Cloud Services.

As of next year, there will no longer be chapter roundtables. Sponsors will conduct lunch -and-learns instead.

Outgoing Secretary, Susan McKinley:

Susan McKinley is catching up with motions and 2nds, she has many emails to still review and will work with the incoming secretary Melissa Johnson to ensure everything is covered.
Membership - Norma Layton: We have 156 members.

Credentialing - Kathleen Carlson:

Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP) Provisional members are encouraged to take the self-assessment and earn 2 points for the new competencies. Read the MLA competencies or take the FREE competencies self-assessment.

A subcommittee was created by the MLA Credentialing Committee which will look at the Point-Index and the minimum requirements. Several areas of focus are the Independent Reading Program (books), and time spent on an Institutional Review Board (IRB).

Members of MLA HQ, Tomi Gunn, Manager Member Services and Barry Grant, Director of Education are working on updating the MLA Credentialing webpage.

David Midyette the chair of the credentialing committee is stepping off in June 2017. He talked about the Portfolio Training Online System. It has been two years since it was implemented and he will need two reviewers to train on the system which is easier than the manual reviews prior to online implementation.

AHIP Statistics by MLA chapter will be provided by Tomi Gunn after the 2017 annual meeting.

As of Friday, May 26, 2017 there were 968 AHIP members. In 2016 there were a total of 899 AHIP members MLA is seeing a lot of growth in AHIP. There are currently 23 AHIP portfolios pending. The committee reiterated that it is a minimum of eight weeks to review an AHIP portfolio.

There is discussion by the credentialing committee to distinguish between provisional, senior, and distinguished members by using AHIP-P, AHIP-S, AHIP-D.

There are currently 12 members of the Credentialing Committee, three will be stepping off. There is discussion of having a separate area for MLA Rising Stars in the AHIP Point Index. They could possibly earn up to 30 points.

There was a question to the committee from a Canadian Health Libraries Assn. (CHLA) member about using CHLA activities to satisfy the AHIP distinguished level requirements. This issue must be brought to the full MLA board for a vote.

Discussion about AHIP and international organizations and MLA in general.

Finally discussion about what is AHIP? Is it a certification for the profession? Similar to nurses, doctors, lawyers, etc.

There were ten members of the credentialing committee as well as chapter liaisons to the committee present at the meeting.
Outgoing Web Chair - Kelli Hines:
Daisy Nip is the new Web Chair.

Please consider joining the Web Services Committee; you can be as busy as you’d like.

We also have Facebook ([https://www.facebook.com/Medical-Library-Group-of-Southern-California-Arizona-MLGSCA-184836371542057/](https://www.facebook.com/Medical-Library-Group-of-Southern-California-Arizona-MLGSCA-184836371542057/)) and LinkedIn groups ([https://www.linkedin.com/groups/128724/profile](https://www.linkedin.com/groups/128724/profile)).

The MLAnet servers were hacked, but everything is back up and running.

Committee chairs: Please report how much time is spent on committee work.

New Business

President-Elect - Kelli Hines: What do members want from MLGSCA?

Responses discussed:
- Mentorship for jobs, networking, CV/resume editing, interview prep, and conference presentation guidance
- Writing retreat
- More robust member directory periodically marketed
- Tour each others’ libraries and learn each others’ procedures
- Webinar sponsorship
- In-person meetings on Joint Meeting off-years
- Create a community of librarians with non CE meetups in local areas

A survey will be sent to the list-serv to gather more responses.

Discussions about whether to revive in-person meetings and the value of sponsored webinars ensued.

Motion to Adjourn: Caroline Marshall motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:30pm.
Seconded by: Jennifer Dinalo

Motion to approve minutes through June 23 email: Amy Chatfield
Seconded by: Kelli Hines

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