

**MLGSCA Business Meeting
FALL MEETING MINUTES
October 2, 2003
9:00 am to 10:00 am
UCLA Faculty Center, Los Angeles, CA**

President Alan Carr called the meeting to order at 9:30.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

--Julie Kwan announced that the release of DOCLINE 2.0 was postponed, and that testing dates will be from 10/27 to 11/7. The new version will include more detailed information, such as ILL charges and library group contacts.

--Ellen Aaronson has been appointed to the national EFTS Advisory Committee. The web-based version of EFTS has been postponed, and no implementation date has been set.

--Heidi Sandstrom introduced Natalie Kamper, who is completing the 2nd year of her NLM Fellowship at UCLA.

--Mary Linn Bergstrom has accepted a new job as Head of the UCSD Science and Engineering Library, and she is resigning from MLGSCA.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 4, 2003, business meeting minutes were approved as written.

March 28, 2003, business meeting minutes were approved as written.

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

TREASURER'S REPORT: Helen Seaton reported for John Carney. As of Sept. 24, 2003, there was \$8,763.64 in the B of A primary checking account for the July-Sept quarter. \$4,000 of the total was transferred from the Vanguard Money Market account as seed money for the 2005 Joint Meeting. Total quarterly receipts were \$6,470.50. Quarterly expenditures were \$3,499.71. The Vanguard account has a balance of \$260,238.46, which is a decrease of \$13,443.67 from the previous quarter. The decrease includes the \$4,000 seed money transfer for the Joint Meeting and a \$10,000 transfer for coupon redemption. Another \$10,000 for coupon redemptions will be reflected on the next quarterly report. The MLGSCA Endowment account balance is \$25,522.35, a decrease of \$25.47 from the previous quarter.

ILL COUPON MANAGER: Caroline Elman reported that 520 coupons were sold this quarter, with service fee and interest income totaling \$1,054.88. A total of 8,870 coupons were redeemed, for a total of \$17,740.00. On Sept. 23rd the coupon liability was \$179,692.00.

CE/PROGRAM COMMITTEE: Marsha Kmec announced that 3.0 MLA CEUs are pending for today's Symposium. Pat Thibodeau, Duke University, and MLA President, will address compensation issues for health sciences librarians. Mark Funk, Cornell University, will address issues related to electronic publishing costs and Open Access Publishing. Marsha will apply for a Leadership Education Challenge Grant by the December 1 deadline to enable MLGSCA to sponsor a leadership symposium speaker for the 2005 Joint Meeting program, possibly in conjunction with NCNMLG. Plans for either the spring CE opportunity or program include a session on Health Statistics, with Cheryl Bartel as presenter. The location and date still need to be determined.

CHAPTER COUNCIL REPORT: Melissa Just reported that there has not been any activity, since Chapter Council Chair Linda G. Markwell recently injured her back. Mary Linn Bergstrom has resigned as Chapter Council Alternate Representative, and a replacement will be sought for the duration of the term of service, through May, 2006. MLA provides \$400.00 travel support for the position.

ELECTRONIC INFORMATION RESOURCES COMMITTEE: Chris Ewing reported that the Spring 2003 program webcast has been mounted on the MLGSCA website, and is located in the CE/Events section of the page. Links to a webcast and PowerPoint presentations for today's program will also be mounted on the website soon.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Ellen Aaronson reported that she is working with a small subcommittee to evaluate our financial situation this year. They will be looking at our contract with our Financial Advisor, Brad Ptolemy, as well as our Strategic Plan, in order to make better use of our advisor in alignment with our chapter goals and activities. Cheryl Bartel has agreed to be the Finance Committee Chair-in-Training.

JOINT MEETING 2005: Judy Kraemer, Diana Lane and Judy Bube reported that Long Beach, with its variety of attractions and accessible transportation, will be the site for the 2005 Joint Meeting. The dates will be February 2-5, 2005. The three hotels being evaluated are the Hyatt, Westin, and Hilton, which have all have agreed to a \$145.00 room rate for one to four persons per room. A committee interest sheet was circulated to obtain volunteers for the various subcommittees. The tri-chairs need a lot of help and would also like suggestions for the annual dinner event. While the Long Beach Aquarium and Queen Mary come to mind, there may be other locations to review. Please notify them with suggestions and offers of help.

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE: Christina Mayberry reported that the fall newsletter will be available next week. She also announced a naming contest for the newsletter, and the winner will receive a free 2004 MLA membership. Please send suggestions to Christina (cmayberr@usc.edu) or Dominique Turnbow (dturnbow@library.ucla.edu) by October 31. Suggestions will be voted on during

the month of November, and the winning entry will be announced around the first of December.

RECRUITMENT TASK FORCE: Janis Brown reported that the committee is in an information gathering phase and is looking at scholarship enticements, and other issues.

RESEARCH COMMITTEE: Mary Aldous will submit an article related to MLGSCA Research grants for the next newsletter, with ongoing notices appearing in subsequent issues, to remind members to submit requests for funding. Complete application information is available on the MLGSCA website. Funds are available to support three \$500 awards per year. The 2001 recipients, Joan Schlingen and Michael Kronenfeld, have completed their research. They will present their results at the 2004 Joint Meeting and have also submitted an article to JMLA.

EXCHANGE: Alan Carr reported for Evonda Copeland. Testing for the web-based exchange database is set for Oct. 30, with the goal of going “live” by early December. Evonda very much needs more feedback from members. Contact her at ecopeland@shc.org to be a volunteer tester.

MEMBERSHIP: Alan Carr reported for Cinthya Ippoliti. As of Sept. 23rd 102 membership renewals had been received, and 18 new members have joined MLGSCA. A renewal reminder notice was sent over the MLGSCA listserv on Sept. 23, 2003.

PROFESSIONAL ISSUES: Alan Carr reported for Irene Lovas. Sue Trombley, from the Arizona Health Sciences Library, attended a luncheon for the new students at the University of Arizona School of Information Resources and Library Science in August. She distributed information about MLGSCA and MLA, especially scholarships and membership. On October 12, 2003, Judy Kraemer will represent MLGSCA at the San Jose State University/CSU-Fullerton Professional Association Day, sponsored by their Graduate School Student Association. She will make a presentation and distribute materials from MLA and MLGSCA.

The PIC wants to encourage anyone interested in mentoring to enter their information in the MLA Mentoring database. The committee will use this information to determine who in the chapter is interested in mentoring new members, graduate students, etc.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Alan Carr reported for Lisa Marks. Potential advertisers have been contacted and renewal notices for current advertisers will be going out shortly for ads in the 2004 newsletter issues.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 am.

Next meeting: Thursday, January 29, 2004, 4:15 pm-6:00 pm in Sacramento, CA

**Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Piccolotti, Secretary
10/20/03**