

MLGSCA Business Meeting
October 17, 2006
Western MLA Chapters Meeting
Seattle, WA

Attendees: E. Aaronson, M. Aldous, B. Armstrong, C. Bartel, L. Brown, A. Carr, P. Coppernoll-Black, P. Corley, K. Deeney, L. Gnerre, K. Ham, M. Henry, M. Kennedy, K. Klein, J. Kraemer, J. Kwan, B. Kwong, S. Lezotte, D. Linden, I. Lovas, L. Marks, L. Piccolotti, P. Romeyn, J. Ryan, H. Sandstrom, R. Smith, P. Ward, K. Zeblicky

President E. Aaronson called the business meeting to order at 7:45 AM and welcomed everyone present. Aaronson expressed her gratitude to our hosts, the Pacific Northwest chapter for organizing a great meeting.

Self-introductions proceeded around the room indicating the name, library and MLGSCA position held by attendees.

The Business Meeting Minutes from May 22, 2006 were placed on all the tables for attendees to read. B. Armstrong made a motion to approve the minutes and L. Brown seconded her motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Announcements:

E. Aaronson announced the following changes to the Advisory Council. S. Trombley is unable to fulfill the Treasurer position, L. Marks agreed to continue as Treasurer. S. Lezotte will continue as Treasurer-elect and D. Klein agreed to chair the Finance Committee. B. Armstrong will be replaced by P. Corley as MLA Chapter Council alternate. A. Bose is moving to New York and will be replaced by R. Smith as Awards Committee chair.

E. Aaronson thanked the Newsletter Committee, especially A. Lynch, E. Cortez and D. Linden for the recent edition of our exceptional newsletter. There is a copy of the new budget in the newsletter. All committees developed financially responsible budgets and S. Lezotte did a great job organizing them into our chapter budget.

New members were welcomed.

Professional Development Awards were given to J. Kraemer and D. Linden to help them attend the Western Chapters Meeting in Seattle, and C. Haynes who attended a meeting of the Librarians of Color in Texas.

There was an approved addition to the ILL Committee's budget for the development of a poster promoting the use of EFTS. This poster is on in display in the Exhibits Hall.

Congratulations to MLGSCA colleagues as 47 members attended Western Chapters meeting participating with programs, posters, papers, and panels. This was a great

representation of MLGSCA. Thank you to P. Corley and S. Lessick for assisting with the planning.

Officer & Committee Reports

Treasurer: (L. Marks) See printed report

Acteva was purchased to assist with event planning and we are now using Quickbooks Online to manage our financial records. The location of assets is on the back of the printed report.

MLA Chapter Representative: (K. Deeney) No Report.

Awards: (R. Smith)

Professional Development awards were handed out at the meeting. The Louise Darling award will be the next award presented followed by the scholarships.

CE: (C. Bartel)

C. Bartel expressed thanks to all who participated in the Survey. The committee is finalizing the CE for January and early April. The January program, "PubMed for Experts" needs to be held in a place with plenty of hands-on room. A possible topic for the April CE is how to use Web 2.0 tools for research. The committee is asking for suggestions of possible venues with hands-on access to host the CEs.

MLGSCA is funding one site, Long Beach Veterans Administration, Long Beach, CA, for the MLA Webcast on November 8, 2006 at 11:00. There also will be Webcasts at Loma Linda, UC San Diego, and USC.

EIRC: (A. Lynch, absent)

Five people have used Survey Monkey. It was suggested the committee post the names of those who used Survey Monkey to assist those who want to use it but may not have the time to figure it out.

There is an updated list including new members with nonmembers deleted. Assistance is available for posting messages.

Exchange: (E. Copeland) No report.

Finance: (D. Klein) No report.

Government Relations: (M. Kennedy)

M. Kennedy summarized the status of the Federal Research Public Access Act (FRPAA), noting that though it has growing support at all levels it will not become law this year. The bill was referred to the Senate, but no action was taken on it. Kennedy also noted the bill, Orphan Works Act of 2006, has been introduced but has not been pushed through. As a result, these two Acts will have to be reintroduced next year.

ILL: (M. Hicks, absent)

E. Aaronson reminded us to look for their poster in the Exhibit Hall.

ILL Coupon Exchange: (K. Carlson, absent) No report.

Membership: (E. Wakiji, absent)

Current membership stands at 272 members.

Newsletter: (A. Lynch, E. Cortez, absent) No report.

Nominating: (A Kawakami, absent)

A. Carr reported the MLA ballot will soon be available.

Professional Issues: (I. Lovas)

Lovas attended the Diversity Recruitment seminar in UCLA this fall and suggested we may want to add diversity to our goals. Lovas is working with J. Kraemer on a proposal for a Hospital Libraries committee. Lovas is also developing a survey aimed toward Professional Issues to be available in 2007. It has been six years since the last good membership survey. Lovas also encouraged everyone to sign up for MLA's mentoring database. Currently there are unfilled new student requests for mentors. Lovas will also be attending Professional Associations Day at CSUF this month.

Suggestion: Students with mentors could write an article for the Newsletter expressing the value of having a mentor.

PSRML Rep: (I. Lovas) No report.

Public Relations: (J. Bube, absent) No report.

Research: (M. Aldous)

M. Aldous encouraged members to apply for a research grant.

Archivist: (M. Kmec, absent) No report.

Webmaster: (A. Lynch, absent)

E. Aaronson reported for Lynch. A. Lynch and M. Just have updated the website. They request members to continue to send additional information for the website. They incorporated the new MLGSCA logo into the website and changed the content to reflect current officers. They are prioritizing the list of updates and working on usability suggestions from members.

Other Business:

Electronic approval of Business Meeting Minutes

Discussion: Those present are approving minutes from the previous Business Meeting in May.

Suggestion: Secretary send the Minutes out to the general membership for corrections and/or additions. The Secretary would make the corrections, additions, and then send the

Minutes out again. If there were any disapproving votes, the Minutes would then have to be voted on in person at the next Business Meeting. The Secretary would need to word the email to encourage all members to participate by voting.

E. Aaronson worked with K. Deeney to analyze information from MLA regarding electronic voting. There would need to be 30 votes for approval for acceptance. A quorum is not a percentage of the membership but whatever is determined by the membership to be representative of the membership. 30 was the number determined at the time when the total membership was smaller. We may need to re-evaluate that number. J. Kraemer added we do not have 30 members present today.

Discussion: Members may not choose to vote on approving the Minutes if they were not present at the meeting. The quorum should be a percentage of those who attended the meeting. We could experiment this time and see how it goes. Accommodations would need to be in place regarding electronic issues. The membership needs to be aware of evaluation techniques prior to voting on approval of the Minutes. The two issues here are approving the Minutes in a timely manner and dispersing information regarding the meeting to the membership.

Suggestions: Continue to approve Minutes at the meetings and then send a copy of approved Minutes to the general membership. Ask for electronic approval of Minutes by those who attended the meeting and then send out copies of the approved Minutes to the general membership.

E. Aaronson will analyze the discussion and suggestions to consider what are our best options. Secretary will send out a draft of the Minutes to those present.

Acteva

Acteva is an electronic event and membership registration product. A subcommittee reviewed the available products and determined Acteva was the best option for MLGSCA. E. Wakiji surveyed other MLA chapters and Acteva was highly recommended. The subcommittee worked with the Acteva sales representative and we will begin with 2007 membership renewals online. Members can pay with a check, credit card or PO. Acteva will manage CE registration in January. A survey will be conducted in the spring to determine how this product is received by the general membership.

J. Kraemer shared the Open House activities at Long Beach Memorial Medical Center, Parks Medical Library celebrating National Medical Libraries month.

All members were encouraged to take the AHIP Survey.

PNC holds their meetings in October. MLGSCA holds their meetings in February. There will not be a joint meeting in 2007. The next joint meeting will be in February, 2008 hosted by NCNMLG in Las Vegas. MLA will be in Chicago in May, 2008. The next meeting hosted by our chapter will be in Arizona in February, 2009. MLA '09 will be in Hawaii.

Discussion: It will be expensive to go to HI. Local CE meetings are preferred. A fifth chapter could be added without significantly adding to the workload. MLGSCA had over 200 attendees at our last joint meeting and there were less than 200 in Seattle for a four chapter meeting.

E. Aaronson will use Survey Monkey to get feedback regarding why members chose not to attend this joint meeting.

L. Brown suggested we consider a five chapter meeting including the South Central chapter.

E. Aaronson suggested we think this through and possibly offer CEs without the context of a joint meeting. MLGSCA could offer two CEs and then have a mini-chapter meeting involving multiple locations for '09 followed by a joint meeting in Arizona in 2010.

No further business

Business Meeting Adjourned by E. Aaronson at 8:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Romeyn, MLGSCA Secretary

Handouts:

Business Meeting October 17, 2006 sign-in

Business Meeting Agenda

Treasurer's Report

Minutes from Business Meeting May 22, 2006 Phoenix, AZ