

HSLI Board Minutes
October 20, 2010
Minutes Submitted by Miranda Shake

Board members present: Linda Feinberg, Virginia Gale, Carol Jewell, Roy Jones, Joy Kennedy, Fran Kovach, Stacey Knight-Davis, Miranda Shake, MichaelWold.

Members present on conference call: Beth Carlin, Molly Horio, JoycePallinger.

Guests: Pam Sherwill-Navarro

Linda called the meeting to order at 7:15
Review of the agenda, there were no additions.

Minutes from the July board meeting were handed out, there were no corrections. Michael moved to accept the minutes as written. Stacey seconded.

President's report: Linda had no written report. She has been working hard on the conference. Ramune and Linda went to the ILA conference on different days and sat at the poster display with fliers. There was not a great deal of interest. There were lots of people on Wednesday, when Linda was there, so we should think about what other meetings we might like to be present at. So we can let more people know about our group and hopefully gain new membership.

Joy mentions that we should post an entry in the GMR blog about our new Newsletter blog.

President Elect report: There is no president elect report at this time.

Treasurer's Report: Stacey reported there is a balance in checking of \$11,198.15 and the money market has a balance of \$11,888.18 as of October 18, 2010. The report shows grey highlighting which indicates conference expenses/debits. Joy motions to accept the treasurer's report, Virginia seconds. Linda approves.

Consortia Purchases: no written report. Virginia is waiting for more information about the GMR purchase.

2010 Conference Planning Committee: no written report. Conference is going well, 19 people registered quickly. Our total registrations is 66 this includes Nancy's reception vendors, etc. Each class has 22 people as of Monday the 18th. Linda reported that the state wide planning committee worked very well. Conference calls made it cost effective.

Discussion continued as to whether we should purchase some additional door prizes. We have 11 prizes so far. Suggestions include Home Depot or Office Max, Amazon Gift cards can be purchased from Walgreens. We will buy several \$25 dollar gift cards. Beth suggested we give them at the business meeting instead to give people an incentive to stay.

Fran reported we are going to try recording the Round tables with the Flip camera. There will be permission forms at the business meeting or round tables.

Syed Maghrabi Scholarship: Jerry has no written report. There were 3 scholarship winners. Each will write a report for the blog.

2011 Conference: Joy suggested Starved Rock as the location for our next meeting. We will need to find a librarian near that area for the hospitality committee. Virginia will see what the availability of the location is. The question was asked if anyone wanted to head the committee. Virginia said she would think about it, Linda is willing to help. It was then discussed that Linda could co-chair with Virginia then start a trend in 2012 Virginia could co-chair with a new person. We need to look at other meetings (Midwest Chapter) to help us select the date for our conference. One advantage or incentive is the planning committee gets half off the registration fee if they are active as a member on the committee.

Newsletter Committee: Since the newsletter has changed its format we need to make a bylaw revision. However we will need to wait to do that until the membership can be informed of the change and vote. Linda would prefer the term “blog” not be in the bylaws in case that term goes away. We need to find a term like “electronic distribution” that can remain true for many years to come. The name HSLI Newsletter will remain the same.

This discussion reminds Joy that we need to check the bylaws to see if the president elect is supposed to be the conference chair?

Joyce reports that any news the group has should be sent to the newsletter committee who will publish it on the blog, then an email will go to the membership about the new posting. Messages should not be duplicated on the listserv and blog as this gives no incentive to go to the blog. Beth will mention this at the business meeting. Beth thanks Stacey for the work she has done on the blog. Joy suggests a blog entry about how to create an RSS feed – and how to read them in a feed reader.

Midwest Chapter/MLA Liaison: A Midwest Chapter/HSLI poster has been created which combines our information. Beth reported that we exhibited at the ILA meeting. Arlis set up at the local chapter ACRL meeting. Beth also reported any information Midwest Chapter has given her has been put on the blog. Beth would like to see a bylaw change. Article 5 sec. 3 reads “liaison to network” she would like to change it to just “liaison”. Article II Purpose Section F- add “Midwest Chapter/MLA” to the list of groups for interaction.

Webmaster: Stacey reported as of August 2010 the newsletter is distributed electronically through the Blog Engine software loaded on our Network Solutions account. A report of usage was distributed to the board. The conference and newsletter pages have the most hits.

Listserv Committee: Fran reported we have 136 members on the listserv, with 139 questions. Roy and Fran coordinate the listserv membership. Fran would like to have a password protected page on our site for documents – policies can go there too. It was discussed whether we still needed a listserv or not. At this time it is felt that we still need one. When more of the member ship understands RSS feeds then it can be discussed again. Should we create a Linked In account? A few libraries have it blocked; we should look into a webinar on how to use linked in in effective ways first.

Membership Committee: Roy reported that we have 131 paid members. 13 new members (3 are vendors). The directory has been updated. At the end of each year the directory gets sent to the archives chair.

Nominating Committee: Molly reported that Dianne Olson was nominated to be treasurer. Stacey has been treasurer for 4 years and will complete her term at the end of the 2010 annual meeting. Dianne received 48 votes. No other candidates ran for Treasurer and there were no write-in candidates. Her term will commence with the close of the annual meeting on October 22, 2010 and will end with the close of the annual meeting in 2012. Ballots were distributed to the HSLI listserv.

Archives: Karen submitted a written report. She has submitted a letter of resignation due to the reduction of her position. Michael and the board thank Karen for all her work with the archives. Karen is preparing to send a large number of items to the Archives at the University of Illinois.

Regional Advisory Committee: There is no report because Regional Advisory Council is meeting in November.

Legislative Committee: Michael thanked Stacey for sending ILA updates since he is not a member.

Strategic Planning: Fran talked to the Illinois Hospital Association in Springfield, however they told her the power was in Naperville. She suggests we draft a letter to this group inquiring about surveying the number of libraries in hospitals, employees as librarians, and future exhibiting opportunities.

Old Business: no old business.

New Business: Michael reports that Amy Vega is very excited and can't wait to meet everyone. Michael would like to thank the group for trusting his recommendation to bring Amy to our annual meeting.

Continuing Challenges for Members and HSLI: We need to continue contacting hospital librarians in the state.

Stacey motions to adjourn, Fran seconds. Meeting is adjourned at 8:37pm.