

Oct. 12, 2011 HSLI 2011 Fall Board Meeting President's Report

As we enter the final quarter of 2011, we continue to reflect on our value. October is Medical Librarians month, let us raise our voices by conducting elevator speeches about our services, find creative ways to communicate with administrative leadership, sharpen our intellectual skills by participating in continuing education classes, and network with colleagues by attending the annual conference. Marketing and bridge building opportunities with the winner of the RK Dixon Make My Nonprofit Run Better Contest, [Hult Health Center for Health Education in Peoria Illinois for the 2013 conference](#) may transpire.

In order to maintain the annual conference structure, I would like to request board action on reviewing the Statewide HSLI Conference Planning Committee policy. After the revisions, the document can reside on the HSLI website for greater visibility.

Bylaws vote: Joy Kennedy, bylaws chair, compiled the Proposed Revisions to the Bylaws on the HSLI website. Please read the changes and vote on the proposed revisions by October 27.

Board transitions: The fall election ballots called to elect the incoming President and Secretary. **Nominating Committee:** The Nominating Committee chaired by Molly Horio, has submitted a slate for our consideration. The candidates and positions are:

President-elect – Stacey Knight-Davis (Eastern Illinois University)

Secretary – Miranda Shake (Lakeview College of Nursing)

Donations: By the end of the year, we hope to donate to MLA or support a library scholarship. With our non-profit status pending; other giving, and/or fundraising opportunities will be opened on our website once the tax dilemma is solved.

Recruitment: By exhibiting the HSLI display at the Joint Consortium meeting, we recruited two new members. Perhaps, HSLI could send membership information to all consortia coordinators. Other plans are to exhibit at SLA and IACRL in 2012 for further recruitment and to print business cards for board officers. A new HSLI poster was developed to take to ILA 2011.

Newsletter: Discussions about education and guidelines of posting in the blog and the HSLI list are taking place. The HSLI Newsletter blog poster will be displayed at the poster session.

Open Access: More research is planned on Open Access opportunities in the coming year.

Publications: The publications of HSLI members are growing. Mendeley is the web program used to manage the presentations, publications and posters on the website by Stacey Knight-Davis. If you have published or presented, please let Stacey know.

Conference 2012: A virtual conference is to be decided by a membership vote.

President's Award: To be awarded at the business meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Fran E. Kovach President HSLI