

**Minutes of Fall Meeting
October 12, 1999
Akron General Health and Wellness Center**

The meeting was called to order at 10:35 AM by President Patty Augustine.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the general membership meeting on April 20, 1999 were distributed. Judith Janes moved that the minutes be approved as corrected. Suzanne Arnold seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Patty reported that the Transitional Executive Committee met at the Prior Health Science Library in Columbus on July 15, 1999 and the current Executive Committee met at Akron General Medical Center Library on August 23, 1999.

Patty reported the following committee discussions and actions:

The creation of a Treasurer-Elect position to handle membership duties was discussed and postponed.

David Blankenship resigned as Webmaster, since he has accepted a position outside of Ohio. Marcia Poggione has agreed to become the Webmaster for OHSLA.

The OHSLA archival materials are currently scattered and Mary Sprague has agreed to gather them together and house them at Prior Health Sciences Library. Rob Ray from NEOUCOM has provided guidelines for retention standards and supplies.

The payment of \$500 for programming sponsorship at MC/MLA that was approved at the Spring meeting has been moved forward to the present year's budget by executive decision. OHSLA is sponsoring a session at MC/MLA 2000 entitled Age of Electronic Resources

Bette Sydelko has agreed to investigate obtaining a Federal ID number for banking purposes for OHSLA. She is also investigating an interest bearing checking account for the association.

Patty asked the members to please use the OHSLA listserv for communications with the membership.

Looking ahead for the year, Patty would like to see the OHSLA Web page and the Benchmarking project move ahead.

Patty welcomed new members Dan Arnott, Onadell Bly, Carol Kamens and Leanne Windsor.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE: Barb Van Brimmer thanked Chris Williams for bringing the program Akron General Health and Wellness Center today and announced that there would be tours of the facility available after the meeting. Barb explained that OHSLA is planning to hold some of the meetings in locations other than central Ohio, so we were happy to be in Northeast Ohio for this meeting. The next meeting will be held in central Ohio. As yet the date and program have not been set but she asked everyone to provide suggestions for programs when they fill out the evaluation forms at the conclusion of the program.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bette Sydelko reported that the balance in the treasury as of 10/11/99 was \$7358.49. Mary Sprague moved and Rose Zajac seconded that the treasurer's report be accepted. The motion passed.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: Bette reported the current paid up membership is 87 members.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE: Chris Williams asked that any comments or suggestions for the newsletter be included on the evaluation form for the meeting.

Wendy Hess will be assisting Chris with the newsletter. Chris asked for volunteer news reporters from diverse geographic areas in the state. The deadline for information for the next newsletter is the first week in March.

WEB PAGE: Marcia Poggione requested that anyone with ideas for the Web page send them to the OHSLA listserv. She asked if anyone would like to volunteer to help her. The page will be hosted at NEOUCOM. Previous suggestions for page topics have included job listings, bylaws, newsletter archive, meeting announcements and links to other groups.

OCLIS Update: Mary Sprague reported for Jo Yeoh. Mary said that Jo would like to know what types of messages the membership would like to have forwarded to the OHSLA listserv. She requested responses via the listserv or e-mail.

OTHER BUSINESS: Rose Zajac gave an update on the program for the MC/MLA 2000 meeting entitled, *Enter the Future - Press Any Key*. The meeting will be in Cincinnati on September 22 - 26, 2000. Dr. Marilyn Hughes Gaston, Assistant Surgeon General, Public Health Service and Director of Public Health Service Bureau, has tentatively agreed to speak on her department's vision of the future of health information and healthcare availability and distribution. Charles Friedman, PhD, Director and Chief, Biomedical Informatics, University of Pittsburgh has also tentatively agreed to speak. The following speakers have confirmed their participation; George Manning, Professor at Northern Kentucky University and James Lavalley, Director Tri Health Integrative Medicine.

Clare Leibfarth suggested that OHSLA sponsor a library science student at the next OHSLA meeting. The Executive Committee will discuss this at the next meeting.

Mary Sprague, Past President, heads the Nominating Committee. The committee is charge with developing a slate of officers to be voted on before the Spring meeting.

GMR REPORT: Jean Sayre, Assistant Director of the Greater Midwest Region, announced the following personnel changes and additions at GMR:

Susan Jacobson, Director of the Greater Midwest Region and Assistant University Librarian for the Health Sciences Library at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Lorna Springsteen, Consumer Health Librarian.

Kathy Davies, Outreach Coordinator. Kathy was previously Communications Coordinator and that position will be filled.

The five year contract for the Greater Midwest Region office is ending and competition for appointment to provide those services will begin in February or March.

Jean emphasized the importance of each librarian subscribing to GMRLIST in order to be up to date on new services and opportunities in the region.

Web-based DOCLINE is scheduled for testing in January and implementation in early spring. You must have cookies turned on to be able to use this DOCLINE.

Kathy Davies, Outreach Coordinator, announced that GMR is currently offering two MLA credit courses: “Advanced Internet Grateful Med/PubMbed Searching” and “Health Resources on the Internet.”

GMR will also present demonstrations of PubMed or Internet Grateful Med to groups of healthcare professionals at your site. These demonstrations qualify for CME credit.

Kathy urged everyone to watch the GMRLIST and GMR web site for exhibit award opportunities. The GMR office will help you with the application process.

Lorna Springsteen, Consumer Health Librarian, described NLM’s emphasis on providing resources to enable the new paradigm of the informed healthcare consumer. NLM is developing and expanding MEDLINEplus to provide reliable information at the consumer level for a diverse population. Lorna will be working to identify the region’s health information needs and the means to meet those needs.

There being no other business, Jim Buchman moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded and the meeting adjourned at 11:58 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Carlson, Secretary