

**Ohio Health Sciences Library Association
Spring Business Meeting, April 20, 2007
Medical Heritage Center/Prior Health Sciences Library
The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH**

President Ximena Chrisagis called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. She welcomed meeting attendees, and called for a minute of silence for the victims of the Virginia Tech shootings, as requested for today by Governor Strickland.

Approval of Fall 2006 Business Meeting Minutes: Approved with no change.

Membership/Treasurer Report (Stacy Gall)

Handouts: 2006-2007 OHSLA Budget through April 12, 2007; Checkbook Transactions for the period October 27, 2006 through April 12, 2007.

1. The handouts reflect the usual expenses. Expenses are down, and no Spring Meeting expenses have been posted yet.
2. Fall Meeting expenses are on the "Checkbook Transactions" handout. The budget is healthy, with a current balance of \$7,234.10.
3. With 93 current members, our membership is down a bit.

Program Committee Report (Michelle Kraft)

1. Thirty-five members are in attendance today. Michelle thanked everyone who helped put this meeting together.
2. She requested everyone to fill out the evaluation in the registration packet. The recommendations for topics and speakers for future OHSLA meetings are helpful to the Executive Committee.

Archives Report (Luz Sinha)

1. This has been Luz's first year as archivist. She is carrying on using the information put together by Sandy Wicker.
2. Carol Powell and Marlene Porter have passed on past meeting minutes to her for the archives.
3. Luz will be labeling 2006 and 2007 items during the next year.

Webmaster Report (Susan Wehmeyer)

1. The GMR will discontinue hosting association web sites, so SWON (the SouthWest Ohio and Neighboring Libraries consortium) will begin hosting the OHSLA web site.
2. The charge will be \$175 per year, which is reasonable. SWON will provide 50 mg server space, five e-mail accounts, and password protection. Glen Horton will provide web site support.
3. The switchover from GMR's server to SWON's will take place on June 1. If all goes well, it will be unnoticeable.

OCLIS Report (Brian Hickam)

1. OCLIS is in the process of reevaluating its mission.
2. It seems that there is no need for a central location anymore to share library events information.
3. OCLIS can make a calendar for all library events in Ohio, and Glen Horton of SWON will work to get this automated. There will be liaisons to supply information for the calendar.
4. OCLIS may also co-sponsor meetings or conferences.

Announcement of Election Results/Introduction of New Officers (Barbarie Hill)

1. Barbarie thanked her nominating committee, Pam Bradigan and Marlene Derrick.
2. Forty-seven ballots were returned.
3. Marlene Porter (University of Toledo Health Sciences Campus) is president-elect; Susi Miller (Riverside Hospital, Columbus) is treasurer, Shirley Lewis (Walsh University, North Canton) is RAC representative.

Recognition of Current Executive Committee Members (Ximena Chrisagis)

1. Ximena handed out certificates of appreciation to all current officers and committee chairs.
2. She thanked the executive committee for all the help and advice sent by many e-mails in the past year.
3. Michelle Kraft presented Ximena with a gift to thank her for her work as president this year.

Hospital Librarian Advocacy Committee (Ad Hoc) Report (Marlene Derrick for Heather Holmes)

Handout: OHSLA Advocacy Ad Hoc Committee, Report to OHSLA Spring 2007 Meeting

1. This committee started as a task force initiated by Sarah Murphy, when she was OHSLA past-president. It has become an OHSLA Ad Hoc Committee.
2. Committee Accomplishments
 - a. Initiated a dialog with the Ohio State Medical Association's accreditation committee, trying to bring about a partnership and include hospital librarians on accreditation teams. Ohio would be the fourth state to do this.
 - b. Starting a "Hospital Administrator of the Year" award.
 - c. Sent an advocacy brochure to Ohio hospitals.
 - d. Letter to the Ohio Osteopathic Hospital Association being drafted.
 - e. Asking GMR to send letters to Ohio hospital administrators.

GMR Update (Ximena Chrisagis for Holly Burt)

Handout: NN/LM – Greater Midwest Region, GMR Update, April 2007

1. Holly was unable to attend this year's Spring Meeting. Please see her GMR Update in the registration packet.
2. Ximena also thanked Dale Prince for coming from Maryland to present this year's MLA CE course, "Geeks Bearing Gifts."

Midwest Chapter 2009 Preliminary Planning (Ad Hoc) Committee Report
(Clare Leibfarth)

Handouts: Meeting Finances Policy, Midwest Chapter/Medical Library Association, Adopted November 24, 2004; Hyatt on Capitol Square flyer.

1. Clare thanked her committee members, Bette Sydelko, Carol Powell and Shirley Sebald-Kinder.
2. Clare announced that with OHSLA serving as the hosting group, the 2009 Midwest Chapter Annual Conference is planned for October 3-6 at the Hyatt on Capitol Square in downtown Columbus, across from the Ohio Statehouse. (On April 11, the OHSLA Executive Committee voted that OHSLA would act as the official hosting group.)
3. The hotel contract and audiovisual quote were signed last week by Marlene Porter in her capacity as current Midwest Chapter Treasurer. The chapter will assume all financial responsibilities of the conference from the chapter treasury.
4. The process of site selection: Working with the meeting planning company Group to Go, the committee considered suitable properties in all areas of the state. After receiving proposals from a number of properties, they visited hotel conference sites. The committee had two conference calls with the meeting planner, one before and one after the hotel site visits; two days of site visits in February to four Columbus properties. There was also an in-person committee meeting with Ximena Chrisagis in Columbus. Hundreds of e-mails back and forth.
5. Why Columbus? Strong membership base in the area, both OHSLA and Midwest Chapter. Geographically central for Ohio members; within reasonable driving distance from high population areas in Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky. Area offers numerous possible venues for offsite events and tourist excursions. October 3-6 is a weekend with no OSU football game. There will be a Short North Art Hop on Saturday, and a number of pre-Columbus Day activities and festivals. Many restaurants and theaters in the downtown area.
6. Why the Hyatt? AAA 4 diamonds rating. Interesting location. Light, spacious public areas. We are the only large meeting scheduled there at this time; we will be using most of the meeting rooms and will get undivided attention from the staff. Meeting rooms are large and flexible. Food is good. Hotel rooms are recently remodeled; we got a good room rate of \$124.00. Reasonably priced attached parking deck with adequate spaces. Negotiated good concessions, free meeting

rooms, concessions from the AV vendor. Hotel staff was really interested in our business and went the extra mile for us.

7. Clare pointed out that this is an exciting opportunity for us to provide Ohio medical librarians with a top-quality professional conference nearby. We will be able to showcase our accomplishments and build our professional skills as we work together to make this conference a success. A lot of work and a lot of fun. Clare invited all to become involved in some way in the conference process.
8. Clare has advised Ximena that by securing the hotel contract and AV quote, the ad hoc committee has successfully fulfilled the charge to start the planning of the conference. She asked to have the committee dissolved at her convenience. She thanked her for the support in this process and the opportunity to work on this project.
9. Bette Sydelko and Marlene Porter have agreed to be conference co-chairs.

Adjournment: President Ximena Chrisagis adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Powell
Secretary