

MCMLA Executive Committee Meeting

MINUTES

June 10, 2011

9 am MT or 10 am CT

Executive Committee Members Attending:

- Sarah Kirby, Chair
- Melissa De Santis, Recording Secretary
- Holly Henderson, Chapter Council Representative
- Carolyn Warmann, Chapter Council Alternate

Leadership Attendance:

- Heather Brown, Chair, Nominating Committee
- Sue Fleming, Archivist
- Tom Gensichen, Chair, Bylaws Committee
- Rebecca Graves, Program Planner
- Jackie Hittner, Chair, 2011 St. Louis, MO Meeting Planners
- Cindy Logan, MLA Chapter Membership Liaison
- Marty Magee, Chair, Education Committee
- Brenda Pfannensteil, New In-coming Chair
- Amanda Sprochi, Newsletter Editor & Chair, Publications
- Joan Stoddart, Chair, Awards & Honors Committee
- Darrel Willoughby, Chair, Governmental Relations Committee
- Nancy Woelfl, Parliamentarian

Approval of MCMLA Executive Meeting Minutes for April 15, 2011

- Moved by Holly, seconded by Sarah
- Approved by Executive Committee

Motion to MLA Bylaws Committee

- Sarah let us know that the MLA Bylaws Committee is discussing the motion our Chapter made to adjust the bylaws to explicitly allow virtual meetings.
- Rebecca mentioned that our Chapter is not the only one interested in this topic and that the MLGSCA held their recent meeting in a hybrid manner using MLA's MegaMeeting software.

Joplin Disaster

- There is interest from the membership in MCMLA making a donation. However, the best way to make that donation is not clear yet.
- Exec Committee would like any donated funds to go towards health information and/or supporting the affected libraries and library staff.
- Holly is getting more information about what they might need in Joplin in terms of information support and resources. We will revisit this topic in July and see if we have enough information to make a decision.

Letters on closing of libraries

- Sarah worked with the Advocacy Committee and the RML to draft letters that were sent to administration for the VA Medical Center in Denver and the Via Christi hospitals. The letters stressed MCMLA's concern over the closing of these libraries.
- Nancy Woelfl let the group know that Nancy Clark, who is over the VA libraries, met with a number of academic library directors at the MLA meeting. Nancy Clark is organizing a retreat on this topic for the VA and the AAHSL Board is assisting by writing letters to support the retreat.

2011 Annual Meeting Program Planners

- The Program Planners for the 2011 Annual Meeting in Wichita had previously made a couple of requests regarding disbursement of the profits from that meeting.
- There was a profit of around \$12,000 from the meeting. Two thousand dollars of the profit went to the planners of the 2011 meeting as their seed money.
- Melissa moved and Holly seconded that an additional \$3,000 be given to the planning group for the 2011 meeting.
- Sarah moved and Melissa seconded that the remaining \$7,000 be held in reserve by the Executive Secretary until the Endowment Task Force delivers their report and the membership votes on it. Assuming that the membership votes to create an endowment fund, the \$7,000 being held in reserve will start off the endowment.
- Related to the Endowment Task Force, Nancy said the group has been meeting and are hoping to have a report for the August Executive Committee meeting.

Possible joint annual meeting with the South Central Chapter (SCC)

- The new SCC President talked to some MCMLA members and expressed an interest in holding a joint meeting with our Chapter.
- The soonest this could happen would be in 2014.
- On a related topic, Joan mentioned that Utah is prepared to coordinate a "blended" annual meeting in 2013. The blended meeting would involve both in-person and virtual attendance options. The Exec Board encouraged Utah to submit a formal letter stating their desire.

2011 Annual Meeting Planning Committee

- Jackie thanked the 2010 meeting planners for the additional funds they are giving to the 2011 meeting.
- The 2011 Planning Committee has met with the hotel and received a walk-thru of the space. They said everything looks very good.
- They are still working on getting a keynote speaker so if you have any ideas let them know.
- They are working with Peggy and Amy to get registration ready to go live. They anticipate the registration link to be live within the next week.
- The link to reserve a hotel room for the meeting is currently live.
- The call for papers and posters has gone out to the membership.
- The Executive Committee meeting will be on Thursday Sept 22 from 5:30 – 7 pm.
- CE classes have been set and are available for viewing on the meeting website.

Chapter Council Report

- Holly gave this report even though her term has technically ended. Her report was from events that took place during the MLA meeting when her term was still active.
- Holly had submitted her report prior to today's meeting and she asked the group if there were any questions.

- There were a few questions about the use of MLA's MegaMeeting software by the MLGSCA. If MCMLA wanted to use MegaMeeting, what might the cost be? And what features would be available to us? Melissa will follow up with MLA and report back to Joan and Rebecca who wanted to know this information.

MLA Membership Committee Report

- Cindy updated the group on efforts undertaken by MLA's Membership Committee to follow up with people that did not renew their MLA membership in 2009.
- Not surprisingly, a number of them that did not renew said it was because of funding issues. The MLA Membership Committee is now looking at the possibility of creating less expensive membership levels – such as an Affiliate membership.

Education Committee

- Marty gave an update on the CE classes that will be offered at the MCMLA meeting. There will be two morning classes and two afternoon classes.
- There will be a PubMed class and a TOXNET class too but dates for those classes are still being worked out.
- All of the CE classes will be \$75 per class except the CE class on patient safety that will be \$105.

Awards Committee

- Joan reported that a notice will go out soon to the membership asking for nominations of colleagues for the three Chapter awards.
- The Committee would like to expand the definition of "rural" for the Travel Scholarship because they feel it is currently too narrow of a definition.

Announcements:

- The MCMLA Express deadline will be advertised soon for the summer issue.
- The MLA News Editor has asked Amanda to write an article about MCMLA. Amanda and Sarah will work on this.
- MCMLA Committee reports are due July 15, 2011. Sarah will be following up with Committee Chairs.
- Roz Dudden will be retiring from National Jewish on June 30, 2011.
- Thank you to Carolyn Warmann for sitting in at this meeting as the MLA Chapter Council Alternate even though her term technically ended in May.
- We will be discussing the MCMLA website at our July meeting.

Upcoming Executive Committee Meeting

Friday, July 8, 2011 at 9 am MT or 10 am CT

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa De Santis, Recording Secretary