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Midwest Chapter / Medical Library Association Annual Business Meeting September 19, 2005 Holiday Inn, Fargo, ND

1. Call to Order – Sheryl Stevens, President at 12:15 p.m.

2. Introductions – Sheryl Stevens

3. Parliamentarian's Report - Jan Cox

A quorum of members was present.

4. Minutes of 2004 Annual Business Meeting – Theresa Arndt, Secretary

MOTION, APPROVAL: Minutes of 2004 Annual Business Meeting approved with corrections noted. (Motion by Chris Shaffer.)

5. 2005 Executive Board Activities

5.1. Summary – Sheryl Stevens

- New Chapter award: Distinguished Librarian of the Year Award
- Ratification of Board vote to approve Chapter Task Force on Library Promotional Materials promotional expense
- Ratification of Board vote to approve MLA insurance & tax fees
- The Midwest Chapter Innovation Award was developed as a reworking of the former Award for Health Information Management. The new award can be given to individuals, teams or libraries and will be presented for the first time in 2006.

5.2. Bylaws Task Force -- Melinda Orebaugh

The Task Force is working on bringing Chapter bylaws in line with MLA's and also simplifying our bylaws. The goal is to have revised bylaws for discussion at Spring 2006 Board meeting and then have bylaws we can take to the membership at the 2006 Fall annual meeting. We will need MLA approval prior to membership vote.

6. Treasurer's Report – Chris Shaffer

7. Membership Secretary's Report – Bette Sydelko

7.1. Update

There are currently 416 members and membership numbers have been stable for the past 4 years. Thirty-five new members attended the 2005 Annual Meeting, and special recognition was given via nametags and a welcome reception arranged by the Planning Committee.

7.2. Raffle for free MLA membership

Winn Theirl won.

8. MLA Chapter Council Representative – Carole Gilbert

- MLA is working on preventing hospital library closures, but lacks accurate count of the number of hospital libraries. All hospital librarians, even at small hospitals, are encouraged to participate in the benchmarking data initiative.
- MLA wants feedback on what issues members think are most important. They are also interested in CE and satellite conference topic suggestions.
- Ideas or short articles are also sought for the MLA News Chapter column.
- MLA encourages linking Chapter objectives to the MLA strategic plan.
- MLA has discussed hosting Chapter websites.

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- 32% of MLA members are also AHIP members. AHIP points are available for multi-day CE activities.
- Ideas from other chapters were shared. For example, one chapter gives an award to the administrator most supportive of libraries.

9. Annual Meeting Coordinators

9.1. 2005 Fargo Mary Markland

Estimated attendance: 146, including 13 first-time attendees. \$684 was collected toward Katrina Hurricane relief fund.

9.2. 2007 Omaha Joint Chapter Meeting Jim Lander

This will be a Joint Meeting with Mid-Continental Chapter in Omaha, NE held on October 12-16.

10. Awards & Scholarships Committee -- Elaine Skopelja

10.1. Annual Meeting Scholarship Recipients

\$500 Scholarships were presented to Jason Young and Gabrielle Harrison.

10.2. Distinguished Librarian of the Year Award

The first Distinguished Librarian of the Year Award was presented to Chris Shaffer, who received a standing ovation.

11. Nominations & Elections Committee - Mary Congleton

The following candidates were elected by the membership:

President-Elect 2006: Chris Shaffer

Treasurer 2006-07: Marlene Porter

Secretary 2006-07: Deborah Lauseng

Representatives at Large 2006-07: Theresa Arndt, Beth G. Carlin, Stephen Johnson, Edwina "Winn" Theirl

Kellie Kaneshiro was elected Potential Candidate for the MLA Nominating Committee and Carol Galganski was elected alternate potential candidate.

12. Task Force on Promoting Library Services -- Elizabeth Smigielski

A "PIE Shop" booth was set up in this year's Annual Meeting exhibit area. Shared promotional items will be available on the Chapter website.

13. Unfinished Business -- Sheryl Stevens -- NONE

14. New Business -- Sheryl Stevens

14.1. Complimentary memberships to students

MOTION, APPROVAL: Sheryl Stevens made a motion for the Board to provide free chapter memberships for students. Motion approved by voice vote of members present.

15. Recognition of Outgoing Board Members -- Melinda Orebaugh

Certificates of appreciation were presented.

16. Invitation to 2006 Meeting in Louisville -- Michel Atlas

17. Transfer of Gavel -- Sheryl Stevens

18. Adjournment -- Eileen Stanley

Respectfully Submitted, Theresa Arndt, Secretary