

**MAHSLIN Annual Business Meeting
Massachusetts Medical Society, Waltham MA
April 20, 2012**

Welcome

Sally Gore, MAHSLIN President, opened the business meeting and welcomed everyone to the annual event, encouraging members to use the conference as a good networking opportunity. She invited the audience to visit the vendor displays during the breaks and noted that there was a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate. The vendors were thanked for their partnering and generous support of the program.

Minutes

The minutes from the 2011 Annual Business meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Committee Reports

All committee reports are available on the website at <http://www.mahslin.org>.

Treasurer's Report – Pat McNary/Elaine Alligood

Elaine announced the sad news about the recent death of Pat McNary.

She went on to report that MAHSLIN was very stable financially. A final treasurer's report, once updated, would be made available on the MAHSLIN website at <http://www.mahslin.org>.

NN/LM NER Update – Mark Goldstein & Michelle Eberle

Mark introduced Myrna Morales, the NER's Tech Coordinator.

Michelle spoke about the most recently- funded health information outreach projects in the New England region. These include health information training for older adults, the development of a tutorial for community health workers, and a dental health project.

Several upcoming funded projects include working with a public health agency, a collaborative urban school - medical library partnership, and an adult education center.

The NER's five Communities of Interest (COI) were busy and offered 10 webinars covering a variety of topics. More information is available at <http://nnlm.gov/ner>

Mark reported on some regional pioneering knowledge management projects that could serve as future models for libraries transitioning to knowledge centers within health care environments.

Staffing considerations for the coming year require a new Outreach Coordinator and the adoption of a contract work model.

Michelle concluded the report with news that a consultant had been hired to conduct focus groups with network members, COI leaders, the Hospital Library Advisory Group and NN/NLM staff. This information should provide a clearer understanding of how to keep on track with program goals.

NAHSL Update & Greetings – Sally Gore

Sally delivered the report on behalf of NAHSL President, Katherine Stemmer Frumento.

NAHSL advocates activities that promote continuing education and professional development for its members throughout New England. It is currently reevaluating and realigning courses to be more helpful and practical.

This year's Annual Conference will be held in Woodstock, VT from October 28-30, 2012. Steve Woloshin, Lisa Schwartz, Chris Bohjalian and Gary Schwitzer are featured plenary speakers.

Presentation of Nominations – Florence Mercer

The slate of nominations was presented: Cara Marcus – President Elect, Dan McCloskey – Treasurer, Loretta Grikis – Secretary, and Jamie Bears – webmaster.

Olga Lyczmanenko, Secretary cast the affirmative vote.

Award Presentation – Elaine Alligood

The founding editors of the Journal of eScience Librarianship were the recipients of the 2012 Paul Vaiginas Professional Award. The plaque was accepted on behalf of the group by Elaine Martin, Editor. The new journal is an open access, peer-reviewed publication that highlights the practice of librarianship in physical, biological and medical sciences research.

Passing of the Gavel – Jane Ichord

The gavel passed to the new MAHSLIN President, Jane Ichord. She presented Sally with an I-tunes gift card.

Adjournment

Jane adjourned the business meeting and began the conference program.

Respectfully submitted by
Olga Lyczmanenko
Secretary