

2014 MAHSLIN Board Annual Meeting Committee Reports

Andrew Calo—Newsletter Chair

MAHSLIN Newsletter: Report

1. Produced four online versions of the MAHSLIN Newsletter: Winter – 2013, Spring – 2013, Summer – 2013, Fall – 2013.
2. Established future deadlines for submitting information to the MAHSLIN newsletter.

Pam Hastings—Webmaster

The MAHSLIN LibGuide has been heavily utilized this year, with a total of 5,213 page views between 3/1/2013 and 2/28/2014. The two most popular pages were the home page and the 2013 meeting page, comprising almost 60% of the visits. The old Google site home page now maps to the new site.

The storage of documents on Sky Drive has proven very cumbersome. I am researching other formats for backup. Until then backup is stored on my home drive at work.

Melinda Marchand—Archives Chair

The MAHSLIN Archives are currently housed at Emerson Hospital in temporary storage. While the library undergoes extensive renovation, the archives are not accessible. Based on the project timeline, I should be able to return them to the library by late summer. I will need to update them with this year's materials, as well as clean up some disarray from the Powerpoint Project for the 2013 Annual Meeting. That project taught me that we need to do a better job of retaining our visual history. If you have any photos of past meetings, please contact me. I would like to set up a separate image archive. And if you are in touch with any members who may be retired, I hope you will reach out to them, as well. A long range goal is the identification of interesting items for digitization and inclusion on the MAHSLIN website. If any members are interested in participating in this project, please contact me.

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Dan McCloskey—Treasurer

Dan's report is attached above as an Excel file.

Meredith Solomon—Membership Chair

Membership Report:

As of March 17, 2014 MAHSLIN has had:

61 members pay their dues for 2014
10 New Members
21 members registered for 2014 MAHSLIN Conference
3 Partner agreements received

Jeanie Vander Pyl—Resource Sharing Chair

MAHSLIN offers its members several benefits through resource sharing agreements with vendors and also group purchases. The group purchase of e-books through STATRef has been in place since 2006 and is a great opportunity for smaller hospitals to be able to provide a core selection of e-books for their institutions. However, any MAHSLIN member can participate and several academics also take advantage of this great deal. Although the number of e-books in the shared collection has lessened since the early years, we have been able to continue to offer about 20 titles to the libraries that participate. This collection is evaluated on an annual basis, and the titles selected are based on usage and the consensus of the group. Members are given the opportunity to become a part of the group each spring. The closing of several libraries has had the biggest impact on the number of libraries in this group purchase. When more libraries participate, we can buy more books and the cost is less for each library. The renewal process for this group purchase will begin again in April when MAHSLIN members, who want to participate, can join the group. We will again strive to keep the annual cost for the collection to less than \$1500/library.

In 2013, we were also able to offer our members a substantial reduction in the annual fee to R2 e-books. This agreement allows each member to select individual titles that they will own forever. With the reduction in the annual fee, the library can purchase a core collection and in future years only pay the reduced annual fee. New titles can be added as funds are available. Existing R2 customers who are MAHSLIN members also qualify for the reduced fee.

MAHSLIN members will also now have access to a collection of resources in our new Ebsco e-book professional collection. Seventeen e-books relating to library services and management have been purchased and will be available to MAHSLIN members as a shared resource. Titles include: *E-reference Content and Discoverability in Libraries*, *Blogging and RSS*, *The Accidental Library Marketer*, *Being Indispensable*, *Distributed Learning and Virtual Librarianship*, *Crash Course to Library Services to People with Disabilities*, *A Librarian's Guide to an Uncertain Job Market* and others.

Other resource sharing initiatives that are being considered include a survey of our members to determine who they are currently using as their print or e- journal vendor. This information might be helpful in negotiating reduced service charges for our group.

Each spring at our Annual Meeting, we have been able to ask our vendor partners to come up with a special offer just for the meeting attendees. This becomes an incentive for attendees to visit the vendor booths and discover new resources.

As Resource Chair, I will continue to investigate ways in which shared resources could benefit our members. Please feel free to contact me with any comments or suggestions of ways MAHSLIN can assist our members with resource sharing initiatives.