# MAHSLIN 2012 ANNUAL MEETING COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORTS

### MAHSLIN Archives Report Melinda S. Marchand, Chair

The MAHSLIN Archives continue to be maintained and updated with current aboard information. 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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## MAHSLIN By-Laws Report Dee Magnoni, Chair

There are no changes or proposed changes to the By-Laws to report.

MAHSLIN Education Committee Report Florence Mercer, Chair Denise Corless Jim Craig Debbie Almquist

This year we co-sponsored "Library Marketing: The Nuts and Bolts" with three local consortia: NECHI, BBLC, and SEMCO. Organized by Alison Clapp of BBLC, the program is the first in a series of programs to be put on by the joint consortia group.

The program was held at Olin College in Needham on March 23 from 9:00am to 12:30pm. Speakers were Margaret Coughlin, Senior VP and Chief Marketing Officer, Children's Hospital Boston; Kathleen L. Cartine, Learning & Development Consultant at

Yale New Haven Health System's Institute for Excellence; and Susan Fowler, via Skype from the Bernard Becker Medical Library. Fifty people attended the conference, 13 from MAHSLIN but not from the consortia. The evaluations were positive. Plans are afoot for another joint consortia educational meeting next year.

During lunch after the program the consortia held their business meetings.

## MAHSLIN Membership Report Brandy King, Chair

As of April 18, 2012 we have 102 paid members, including 10 partner members and 11 new members:

- Debra Berlanstein, Tufts University
- John Cochenour, Brigham and Women's Hospital
- Stacie Cohen, CDM Smith
- Arlene Freed
- Karen Frenchu, Management Sciences for Health
- Jen Goldberg
- Joanne Griffin, Tufts University
- Robert Moore, Lantheus Medical Imaging
- Lisa Philpotts, Boston University
- Kevin Sheehan, MIT

As we did in 2011, we offered a discounted rate of \$40 for new members to join and attend the conference.

Paypal is working well for collecting dues and annual meeting registrations; we have received 38 payments through Paypal since January 2012.

I have thoroughly enjoyed the last four years as membership chair, but am passing on the responsibilities to Jane Natches after the annual meeting.

### MAHSLIN Newsletter Committee Report Cara Marcus & Andrew Calo, Co-Chairs

[Report produced by Andrew Calo]

As co-editor of the MAHSLIN Network News, quarterly issues were posted on the website and announced to the list-serve.

The following issues were produced:

Summer 2011: Member Spotlight: Wanda Anderson

TechnoTool Corner: EBSCO Nursing Reference Center

Fall 2011: Member Spotlight: Margret Branschofsky and Betsy Like

TechnoTool Corner: OVID WIDGETS

Winter 2012: Member Spotlight: Dee Magnoni

TechnoTool Corner: Rittenhouse R2

The next issue will be produced this spring, so please let me know if you have any submission ideas.

My thanks to co-editor Cara Marcus for providing guidance and help. As Cara will be leaving the co-editor role in April to assume the position of president-elect, MAHSLIN is currently seeking a new newsletter co-editor to work with me. Please contact me if you would like more information about this role at <a href="mailto:Andrew Calo@laboure.edu">Andrew Calo@laboure.edu</a>.

## MAHSLIN Resource Sharing Report Jeanie Vander Pyl, Chair

Since taking on this role in 2004, the landscape of sharing resources through consortia purchasing has continued to evolve from resource collections provided by aggregators to difficult dealings directly with individual publishers. However, last spring the MAHSLIN members were again able to put together their 6<sup>th</sup> collection of electronic books through STATRef. With the loss of the major titles published by McGraw Hill from the STATRef collection, the group lost several members and also saw a significant change in the content. Twenty-two members continued to be a part of this group drawn by the attractive pricing realized by sharing access to the 16 titles selected by the members.

The Access Medicine consortia package was withdrawn by McGraw Hill and members who wanted to provide these important titles realized a major price increase.

Throughout the year, I have contacted vendors on behalf of our members to see if any discounts could be provided to our group. Make sure you visit the vendors at the Annual Meeting as several have put together offers just for this event.

Last fall, Mark Goldstein conducted a brief survey of key RML members regarding trends in resource sharing. Some of his findings were:

- Publishers have taken tighter (full) control of materials:
  - o Developing their own platforms
  - o Generating their own material "exclusively online"
  - o Making content inaccessible in alternative format

- Aggregators are gradually being squeezed out as middle information brokers.
- Libraries are being forced into the ownership model, having impact on reciprocal lending.
- Shifts in ownership will make it difficult for hospital libraries to maintain resources.

The Board will continue to investigate ways in which shared resources could benefit our members. We welcome your comments and suggestions.

### MAHSLIN Web Site Report Dan McCloskey, Webmaster

With the site fully transitioned to Google Sites, no major changes were made to the MAHSLIN web site in the past year. Most of the work done has been just regular maintenance to the site.

An Amazon Cloud Drive account was created where documents related to the web site are being maintained, both as an archive of files no longer on the site and as a backup to the Google site.