NAHSL Executive Board Meeting Lamar Soutter Library June 2, 2006

Present: Janet Crager, Nancy Harger, Mark Goldstein, Carole Foxman, Mark Gentry, Shirley Gronholm, Janene Batten, Marianne Burke, Joan Yanicke, Dina McKelvy, Barbara Ingrassia, Len Levin, Penny Glassman, Kathy Brunjes, Janet Cowen, Javier Crespo, Mary Ann Slocomb, Tammera Race

Chair's Report (Janet Crager): Janet went to the MAHSLIN annual meeting. She will be going to HSLIC on June 9 and she went to MLA. We sent in our donation to MLA.

Secretary's Report (Nancy Harger): March minutes were distributed and approved.

Treasurer's Report (Mark Goldstein): See net worth and treasurer's report handout: the overall total is \$99,471.14, the total income for 2006 is \$6,474.11, the total expense for 2006 is \$5,459.64.

Committee Reports

Archives (Carole Foxman):

By-laws (Mark Gentry): **See Report.** Issue has come up about what by-laws version is correct. Mark reviewed the back minutes about by-laws. The pdf version on the website is the current correct version. Policy and procedure manual needs to be updated to reflect the current bylaws. The finance committee brought up some changes from their last meeting. Mark recommends that we take what the finance group has done and ask if anyone else has changes and then send out a revised policy and procedure manual. Shirley Gronholm would like to review the MLA nominating committee section in the by-laws. This would need to go to MLA prior and then voted on by the membership. (See handout). By-laws change to be proposed: Professional Development Committee was created and takes the scholarship duties away from the responsibility of the secretary. Mark will send out the by-laws and policies and procedures to everyone to review and then to let him know by August 1.

Chapter Council (Shirley Gronholm): See report handout of the council meeting at MLA. Highlights: permanent disaster fund created. Good response to the survey. MLA is hoping to write a vital pathways document. Librarians Without Borders has been service marked by MLA. Focus of Jean Shipman is health literacy and communicating our value. Carla Funk reported that career DVD has been produced. Discussion about CHIP: it is a certificate and not credential. Software is to be created to keep track of AHIP points. Chapter News column has a new editor: Teresa Knotts. All chapters encouraged to send news to her. Send announcements to her of our CE's two months ahead of time. Communications committee has been working on chapter council

guidelines. Majors Award (see handout). Health Literacy Symposium in 2007. MLA hopes that chapters will again donate for the new members to attend roundtables. NAHSL needs to select a candidate for the 2008 MLA Nominating Committee when we hold elections at this fall's annual meeting.

Conference 06 (Janene Batten): Board reviewed the program. Added additional meetings (by invitation only) need to be on the program. Need to let Janene know about additional meetings so the rooms can be reserved. Janet Cowan will add a page in the program announcement about applying for scholarships. Reviewed the budget: Mark suggested a plan to include all adjunct committee meetings.

Conference 07: (Marianne Burke): Gave a report—appointed planning committee members. Working on the theme—to be held at the Woodstock Inn on October 28-30, 2007.

Credentialing/Mentoring (Joan Yanicke): AHIP survey is not significantly different from UNYOC survey. Two chapters have done it. Put these results on the website? The outcome is something that we need to share—especially for those who are coming to the open forum. Put out an e-mail with a link to the website.

Education (Dina McKelvy): Tower Hill program June 23 on focus groups and surveys—going well. Talked about other technologies that could be used like blogs. Suggested that more networking could be done at these programs. Janet has been looking for podcasts for more educational opportunities. For the conference: Donna's class is: Finding information for environmental health.

Electronic Communications (Edward Donnald):

Finance (Mark Goldstein):

Government Relations (Barbara Ingrassia): Activities in Congress this spring. Patriot Act failed to protect library patron. EPA library funding not restored. Federal Research act requires authors with Federal Support to make the report available through the internet. Castle Amendment has passed. Health and education bill: 7.1 b Network neutrality act—Ed Markey—is a co-sponsor to allow favored access for a fee. 2006 is to oppose the favored access.

Marketing (Len Levin): Magical mystery tour of New England—MJ Toomey—good attendance there. Brochure was there and had been revised. The new member on the committee is Ann Marie Cominsky. Len asked her to look into the possibility of more media exposure. Dorothy Barr is also looking into this. Planning marketing activities for the conference this year—top ten ways to market your library list. Len will show a sample at the next meeting.

Membership (Penny Glassman): See report: consistent with where we were last year at this time with 15 new members which includes 10 student members. Total of 206 members.

Nominating (Kathy Brunjes): 2008 conference chair elect—Andy Dzaugis. Nominating chair—Elaine Martin. (? others that I missed)

Professional Development (Janet Cowen): \$405 in scholarships to: Fran Becker, Sally Gore, Ruthanne Gildea, Susan Warthman to cover the cost of registration at the 2006 MLA annual meeting.

Program (Nancy Goodwin-absent)

RML Report (Javier Crespo): The contract for the RML was awarded again for the next five years at the beginning of May. The RML is starting the call for awards and contracts. Mid—Atlantic region RML is NYU. There are national initiatives that all RML'S will work on. New RAC is to be formed. The new RML website is weeks away from being released.

STATE REPORTS:

ARIHSL (Mary Ann Slocomb): next meeting which is the annual meeting on June 21. Mary Ann and Tovah had a poster at MLA. RI is trying to get a bill passed for library programs.

CAHSL (Evelyn Breck Morgan):

HSL NH/Vermont (Betsy Merrill): Annual meeting:; new technology boot camp—Penny taught. April 28 NH state library on consumer health.

HSLIC (Tammera Race): see handout

MAHSLIN: (Ann Fladger--absent):

Old Business:

New Business: Janet Cowan suggested putting our meetings and CE offerings on the front page. Janet thinks that the chair and chair elect should be going to MLA—paid as a perk for the position. Also the education chair elect to go to MLA—discussion on the subject. \$1000 that CE chair would go to MLA. CE committee will take this up and report back in September. Perhaps a budgeted line in the CE budget.

Adjourned at

Submitted by Nancy Harger