

MAHSLIN Annual Business Meeting
Massachusetts Medical Society, Waltham MA
May 6, 2011

Welcome

President Elaine Alligood welcomed the assembled members and thanked everyone for their participation and support.

Minutes

The minutes from the 2010 Annual Business meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Treasurer's Report – Pat McNary/Elaine Alligood

The financial report will be available on the MAHSLIN website at <http://www.mahslin.org>.

Committee Reports

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

NN/LM NER Update – Javier Crespo

The most recent five year NER contract will establish defined focus areas from which programs will be developed. These five focus areas - Health care workforce, Healthy communities, Health literacy, HealthIT, and eScience - will form the basis of training programs and funding for member libraries, health professionals, and consumers.

Also, five Communities of Interest (COI) will be formed and will correspond to the above focus areas. These Communities of Interest, consisting of librarians and local experts, will develop learning opportunities and other projects. COIs will also be involved in reviewing funding opportunities related to their focus area.

In addition, hospital libraries will be encouraged to explore knowledge management and to adapt these practices to healthcare settings. A KM template was developed by the RAC Hospital Library Subcommittee for use in pilot projects.

Finally, a newly- focused outreach approach involves connecting libraries, community-based organizations, public health, and other agencies. This will allow for more sustained community partnerships, goals, and better program impact assessments.

NAHSL – Susan Warthman

NAHSL promotes life –long learning for librarians throughout the New England region. In meeting this goal, NAHSL offers MLA- accredited courses and underwrites the professional development of its members with grants to attend MLA, NAHSL and other professional conferences.

Technology use is also supported with NAHSL grants, allowing members to pursue technological innovations and to showcase these new ideas and services.

This year's Annual Conference will be held in Uncasville, Connecticut at Mohegan Sun from October 30- November 1, 2011. Among the keynote speakers, Dr. James Cimino, MD, NIH Chief of the Laboratory for Informatics Development, will present on the "infobutton." Rounding out the conference program will be classes taught by talented colleagues and networking opportunities.

NAHSL is inviting interested members to join the executive board as several positions are currently open.

Award Presentation – Terri Niland

Mark Goldstein was the recipient of the 2011 Paul Vaignas Award. The recipient receives a certificate and a \$150 continuing education scholarship.

Presentation of Nominations – Lauri Fennel

The nomination of Jane Ichord as President Elect was accepted through acclamation.

Passing of the Gavel – Sally Gore

The gavel passed to MAHSLIN President, Sally Gore. She acknowledged members of the MAHSLIN Board and noted that the meeting was being tweeted.

Adjournment

Sally brought the business meeting to a close and began the Annual Meeting program.

Respectfully submitted by
Olga Lyczmanenko
Secretary