HSLIC FALL MEETING
Husson College, Bangor, Maine
November 3, 2009

Present: Marj Anderson, Mercy Hospital; Amy Averre, Husson University; Barbara Bartley, Kennebec Valley Community College; Pat Bishop, Eastern Maine Medical Center; Susan Bloomfield, Southern Maine Medical Center; Janet Bolduc, Central Maine Medical Center; Kathy Brunjes, Central Maine Medical Center; Deb Clark, Stephens Memorial Hospital; Happy Copley, St. Mary’s Regional Medical Center; Wanda Cote, Rumford Hospital; Javier Crespo, NNLM/NER; Nancy Curtis, University of Maine; Shelly Davis, St. Joseph’s College; Valerie Frechette, Central Maine Community College; Evelyn Greenlaw, USM Lewiston-Auburn College; Patty Kahn, Penobscot Bay Medical Center; Kara Kennison, Eastern Maine Community College; Laura Lowe, Franklin Memorial Hospital; Doug Macbeth, Jackson Laboratory; Ruth Mare, Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center; Dina McKelvy, Maine Medical Center; Megan McNichol, Eastern Maine Medical Center; Linda Menard, Aroostook Medical Center; Gary Pelletier, VA Togus Medical Center; Stephanie Publicker, National Library of Medicine; Emily Scribner, Franklin Memorial Hospital; Cindy White, Eastern Maine Medical Center; Patty Williams, Foundation for Blood Research; Cynthia Young, St. Joseph Hospital.

Call to order: HSLIC Chairperson Patty Williams called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. Those present introduced themselves.

Chair’s Report – Patty W. encouraged all present to buy copies of the HSLIC cookbook, which had been prepared as a gift to participants at the NAHSL conference the previous week and would now be used as a fund-raiser for HSLIC.

Patty summarized the printed report she had made available, saying HSLIC has been busy. HSLIC coordinated the 2009 NAHSL conference. The organization now has set up three new committees, one to work on establishing a Go Local presence for Maine, one for marketing, and another to review motions made through email meetings. Volunteers are needed to serve on the latter two committees.

Secretary’s Report – Secretary Emily Scribner presented minutes of HSLIC’s Spring 2009 Membership Meeting. The minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer’s Report – Treasurer Nancy Curtis presented her report of expenses and the current status of the budget. Those reports do not include recent information on sale of the cookbooks. If all copies of the cookbooks are sold, Nancy said, HSLIC will see a profit of just over $1,000. The Treasurer’s Report was accepted as submitted.

Resource Sharing – Evelyn Greenlaw said that the first six months of her term as Resource Sharing Chair were fairly uneventful. The major event was the renewal of subscriptions to The New England Journal of Medicine online under HSLIC’s consortial arrangement. Within the
next six months, Evely said, she plans to pursue other possibilities for shared subscriptions to resources HSLIC members express interest in. Kathy Brunjes mentioned that NAHSL is now negotiating with Natural Standard for a group rate and offered to find out where that stood.

**Membership** – Nancy Fletcher was not able to attend. Her written report indicated that three HSLIC libraries have not yet renewed their memberships.

**Education Committee** – Shelly Davis had not prepared a report but asked for feedback on the day’s program and suggestions for future programs.

**Automation** – Cynthia Young referred to her printed report.

**Scholarship** – Barbara Bartley reported that the money budgeted for scholarships is not quite half spent.

**Publicity** – Patty K. warned that she will soon be begging for news for the HSLIC Newsletter. News items can be sent either directly to Patty or to the library’s Area Representative. She said she especially wants photos, preferably in .jpg format. Patty also urged purchase of the HSLIC cookbook for Christmas gifts. She said that 90 have been sold so far.

**Archives** – Marj Anderson said she is preparing to scan documents in the HSLIC Archives, using a scanner that meets the requirements of the Maine Memory Network.

**NAHSL** – Megan McNichol referred to her written report on the last NAHSL Board meeting. She had also made available reports from NAHSL’s annual membership meeting. She called attention to the decision to form a task force to study the duties of the NAHSL Chair and those of the chair of conference planning. She mentioned that NAHSL has several new Board members. Planning has already begun, she said, for the 2010 conference, to be held in Rhode Island.

**NAHSL conference** – Dina McKelvy reported that the recent NAHSL conference was a great success, with 130 registrants. Dina, as NAHSL’s new Chairperson, invited input from HSLIC members on what they would like the organization to work on.

**Online presentation** -- At this point, the HSLIC Business Meeting paused so that all present could view a presentation by Lauri Fennell using Adobe Connect on the new PubMed interface.

**Maine Lib Commission** – Barbara Harness was not present but had emailed her report and made printed copies available.

**Hospital Libraries Subcommittee, Regional Advisory Committee of the NNLM/NER** -- Deb Clark reported that the Subcommittee plans to study a new model of hospital librarianship.

**Area Reports**

Cindy White, from Area 3, reported that EMMC’s library will be closed for a few days while new carpet is installed.
Gary Pelletier, in Area 2, announced that he will be retiring as of the end of December after 30 years at Togus. He thanked HSLIC for everyone’s help over the years. He believes that the current director does not plan to continue membership in HSLIC.

**Old Business** – There was no old business.

**New Business:**

**Status of Togus** -- Cindy White suggested that the HSLIC Board consider the matter of the Togus library’s membership and interaction with HSLIC libraries under its new director.

**Go Local** – Happy explained that Go Local is a link off Medline Plus to a list of local services related to the topic searched and that at present approximately half the states have Go Local listings. She reported that Maine has a committee working to develop a GoLocal presence for the state and the Maine CDC is applying for grant funding for the project. Patty W. said that the HSLIC Board supports the concept and wants to be involved in the project, but has not committed any funds or other material backing so far.

**Retirement** -- Evelyn presented Gary with cards signed by HSLIC members wishing him a happy retirement. Doug made a humorous speech of appreciation and presented Gary with the fish hat he had wanted very badly to win from the NAHSL scholarship raffle.

**Adjournment** – The business meeting was adjourned at 10:52 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Emily Scribner, Secretary
**Report from NNLM/NER** -- Immediately following the HSLIC Membership Meeting, Javier Crespo reported for the NER.

He said that recent discussions with Resource Library directors and the Hospital Library Subcommittee pointed up five areas calling for attention:

- redefining the role of the librarian, which will mean shifting our own paradigms,
- developing a professional development continuum,
- positioning ourselves as part of the health care team,
- using the clearing house model for education, and
- focusing on our users’ needs.

Javier listed several learning opportunities prepared by the RML, including the PubMed program just watched during this meeting, one on health literacy, and a repeat of the emergency preparedness class previously offered.

He also talked about new outreach efforts being developed. One will be small awards for libraries to connect with other organizations in their community to provide training. In addition, the RML hopes to identify one urban and one rural area in which to conduct training and follow-up studies on the effectiveness of the training. He expects that the rural area selected will be in Maine.

**HSLIC Manual** – A question was raised by Susan Bloomfield concerning the duties of various HSLIC committees, committee chairpersons, and officers. General difficulty finding the answer efficiently brought attention to the need to make the Bylaws and Procedures more easily searchable.

**Educational Program** -- The education program in the afternoon consisted of two parts.

First, recipients of HSLIC mini-grants explained their projects:

- Cindy White reported on EMMC’s new collection of health and fitness Playaways for hospital staff.
- Patty Williams described the Foundation for Blood Research’s use of a Flip video recorder to make brief instructional videos. So far they have filmed a tour of the library instructions for using the online catalog. These are posted on their intranet.
- Amy Averre reported that the Husson Library created an audiotape to use for orienting students to the Library. Amy wrote the script and students made the recording. The video is provided by the user’s own eyes as he walks through the library looking at the places and tools described in the recording.
- Kara Kennison reported that the Eastern Maine Community College Library purchased MP3 players to be used with downloadable audio books.

In follow-up discussion, Cindy suggested that HSLIC buy a Flip video recorder to lend to HSLIC libraries for one-time use. Members present were invited to submit applications for other mini-grants.
Librarians described other special projects recently accomplished:
  - Cynthia Young described St. Joseph Hospital’s book club.
  - Evelyn Greenlaw showed how LA College used Libguides to develop library guides and to post on the Internet. Dina suggested that HSLIC’s consider LibGuides for possible consortial subscription.
  - Laura Lowe reported on Franklin Memorial’s Express Award for Outreach to Rural Health Care Providers.
  - Shelly Davis demonstrated St. Joseph’s College’s use of Jing software to produce flash video tutorials.

To conclude the educational afternoon, Stephanie Publicker from the National Library of Medicine gave an instructional presentation on Toxnet and other toxicology resources available online from the National Library of Medicine.