HSLIC SPRING MEETING  
HUSSON COLLEGE  
BANGOR, MAINE  
MAY 25, 2007

ATTENDEES: Amy Averre, Jennie Beal, Sofia Birden, Pat Bishop, Susan Bloomfield, Kathy Brunjes, Deborah Clark, Carolyn Coco, Joline Cook, Happy Copley, Wanda Cote, Nancy Curtis, Cora Damon, Carin Dunay, Nancy Fletcher, Barbara Harness, Gabriella Howard, John Hutchinson, Natalie Hutchinson, Sue Jagels, Maryanne Lamont, Laura Lowe, Perrin Lumbert, Doug Macbeth, Ruth Mare, Dina McKelvy, Valerie Okrent, Tammera Race, Karen Reilly, June Rouillard, Emily Scribner, Cindy White, Patty Williams

SPECIAL GUESTS: Javier Crespo from the Regional Medical Library; Valerie Osborne, soon-to-be Northern Maine Library District consultant.

CALL TO ORDER: Natalie called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. She asked everyone to introduce himself or herself.

SECRETARY’S REPORT: Happy presented the minutes from the HSLIC general meeting in Fall 2006. The minutes were approved as presented.

CHAIR’S REPORT: Natalie reported that there are many ideas floating around about where HSLIC is going. Natalie thanked everyone for giving her the opportunity to be Chair of HSLIC this past year.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Maryanne reported that HSLIC is very healthy financially. As of April 30, there is a balance of $2477 in the past year’s budget that was not spent. In 2006, the Executive Board took extra cash to purchase a second bank CD; both CDs now total about $13,000. Maryanne offered the proposed budget for fiscal year 2007-2008. The Resource Sharing line was kept at same amount as last year. Scholarship was increased significantly, to $4,000. Program & Education is budgeted at $3,350. The travel and expenses line item was increased, since we may need to increase mileage reimbursement. We added a line item for NAHSL ‘09, as there will be some expenses already for early planning on that conference. A new line item, called Annual Focus Funds is set at $4,000; this will be spending of HSLIC funds for new ventures. These funds may offer some mini-grants for individual HSLIC institutions. For example, these funds might help HSLIC libraries to participate in new purchasing ventures in mid-budget year. The Executive Board will be developing criteria and purposes for the mini-grants at the next Board meeting. Some of these funds could be used to meet a goal of HSLIC as a whole. Maryanne noted that the HSLIC annual membership dues total roughly $7,050, but this year’s budget is $18,250. Maryanne explained that the group must
spend our revenue as a non-profit. Maryanne recommended that the Board engage a certified public accountant to review our procedures and budgets.

The Treasurer’s Report was accepted as presented.
The Proposed Budget for 2007-2008 was accepted as presented.

**RESOURCE SHARING:** Kathy reported that it has been a busy year, examining different options for consortial purchase.

*New England Journal of Medicine*
HSLIC has a proposal from *New England Journal of Medicine (NEJM)* for an online full-text version for hospital libraries. We are required to have 23 hospital or special library members commit. The deal as structured would include unlimited seats, online access, IP-driven, $600 per year, with back files to 1993. Online copy of *NEJM* would be available every Wednesday at 5 pm, and will include a PDF format. Participants must have static IP addresses; this deal does not include a paper copy of the journal.

Maine Medical Center will handle the billing. There would be a subscription for each institution, so small institutions, separate sites, such as Rumford or Sebasticook Valley, would be individual sites.

Kathy strongly recommended the group purchase. HSLIC currently has 17 members committed, so we need another six members to sign on. The group subscription could start as early as July 1.

This might be a situation in which a HSLIC mini-grant proposal would be a way to engineer participation.

Academic librarians said they would also be interested, as most of them did not have it. Kathy said we would go back to Dan Boutchie of NEJM to discuss this.

It was mentioned that the CAHSL consortium in Connecticut is negotiating a similar deal.

*Stat!Ref*
Kathy reported that after some investigation, she realized that Stat!Ref did not work for a group purchase, as too many HSLIC members already have it in some form.

**HSLIC Disaster Resource List**
Kathy would like to thank everyone who gave feedback on updating the Disaster Resource List. Kathy recommends that some of the entries be consolidated under the UMS system. The list has not been posted to the website yet; institutions can still give updates.

Sue suggested that group-buys and electronic sharing be the focus of the Focus Fund.
Automation: Deb Clark reported that she is updating Section 5 of the HSLIC Manual, the Directory for Professional Organizations. She will also be updating the Reference and Library Resources page soon. Deb passed around the list of people subscribed to the HSLIC listserv, for updating.

Education: Carin apologized for errors on the nametags at this meeting, which were typed by a student worker. She announced that Rob Favini would be coming this afternoon for an educational session reviewing Survey Monkey and survey skills.

Carin noted that an ongoing discussion at the Executive Board meetings is where to hold the semi-annual meetings.

Barbara reported that Donna Berryman would like to come to Maine to do training on PUBMED, MedlinePlus, or Toxnet. Valerie Osborne reported that the State Library was looking to have a technology day, and could perhaps coordinate with this; Valerie will contact Barbara Harness about coordination. Karen Reilly said that it was possible to use their training room in EMCC.

Deb Clark mentioned that Peg Allen was teaching the Getting Magnetized program in Boston at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center on June 29.

Membership: Dina reported that 22 HSLIC institutions have paid this year’s dues already. Dina is implementing an annual survey on Survey Monkey. She asked for one reply per institution, and has received 18 responses so far. She emphasized that responses are truly confidential. She will report results to the membership when all have turned in their responses.

Dina also mentioned that the Executive Board would be discussing membership requirements. Some members are still not using DOCLINE correctly. Some members may not qualify for DOCLINE. HSLIC is planning to rephrase the language in the membership requirements section of the bylaws if this problem cannot be resolved.

Dina reported that Guy Saldhana at Bowdon is working to convince his administration to join HSLIC. Perrin reported that he is in discussions with library staff at Colby College to create some interest there.

Archives: Happy reported for Marj Anderson, who could not attend. Archives are still residing at Mercy; most of them are in the Library’s storage area, which is being moved later this year. HSLIC materials will be moved to the new storage area, very carefully, with the rest of the Mercy offsite collection. Marj has purchased the CD with all the programming from MLA 2007; it will be available for loan by the end of July.

NAHSL Rep: Tammera reported that this year’s NAHSL Conference is October 28-30 in Woodstock, Vermont. For future planning, next year’s conference will be held in Lowell, Massachusetts, October 18-21, 2008, which will be the 50th Anniversary of NAHSL. Michelle
Eberle is offering her *Caring for the Mind* course online. Other online courses across the country are available to us. Dina is the new NAHSL Professional Development Chair; please contact her for information on scholarships through NAHSL.

**Maine Library Commission**: Barbara passed out a report. LD 793, “An Act to Provide Essential Library Resources,” which includes the Maine databases, had a hearing in Augusta on May 15; more support from librarians is needed, and the Maine State Library staff urge everyone to contact their State representatives. LD 1796 is a bond package for community colleges, New Century grants, Maine Maritime, and inland fisheries.

The Maine State Library’s budget is flat-funded for the new fiscal year, which may mean some cuts in services.

Barbara McDade will cover Karl Beiser’s duties until someone is hired for his position, hopefully by September. There are now 65 libraries in Minerva, and more support is definitely needed.

Valerie Osborne is the new Northern Maine Library District Consultant.

The next Maine Library Commission meeting will take place in September.

Karen asked how the MARVEL! databases are chosen. Cora reported that Judy Frost is looking for someone to serve on the e-resources committee, which is the committee involved in choosing the MARVEL! databases. Sue put Dina’s name forward as a candidate.

Dina asked if anyone would be interested in EBSCO’s A-Z product.

**Regional Reports:**

**Area 1** – Patty reported that she is building an OPAC at the Foundation for Blood Research. Maine Medical Center is building a new Women’s & Infants wing. Mercy is building the new hospital. Susan Bloomfield reported that Southern Maine Medical Center is working toward Magnet Status for nursing. St Joseph’s College is no longer affiliated with St. Matthew’s University. St. Joseph’s is working on a sequential program for distance learning, nursing, and other allied health students.

**Area 2** – Gabriella Howard reports that they have received an Avatar award at Inland Hospital. Work on emergency department expansion at Inland continues. Stephens Memorial has its 50th anniversary this year. Stephen’s is working toward Magnet Status for nursing. St. Mary’s received the Foster McGaw finalist designation, recognition of their work in the community. St. Mary’s Library is also planning to hire a 20-hour per week library assistant in June.

**Area 3** – Lois Dutch from Waldo County Hospital fell off a ladder and broke her ankle; she will be out of work for 6 weeks. Jackson Labs built a dining commons near the Library and they are in phase one of construction for building a connector from the Library; this is a chance to change the physical configuration of the Library. Jackson Labs is buying more electronic journals while
changing the design of the library. This has caused some anxiety, but the goal is to keep the library a clean, well-lighted, welcoming place. Nancy reported that at the University of Maine at Orono, the business reference librarian will be leaving at the end of summer; they are not sure when the position will be filled. Karen reported that Eastern Maine Community College’s surgical technology program would be continuing for one more cohort. Eastern Maine Community College is also moving its childcare center. At the University of Maine Fort Kent, they have started a Master’s Education; they are also considering a Master’s in Nursing. Amy said Husson College was moving on plans to start a Pharmacy program, which may begin in 2010. Husson will be inactive on DOCLINE for the next 2 weeks, but will offer emergency interlibrary loans by phone. Eastern Maine Medical Center is waiting for the Joint Commission to come, as JCAHO visits are now unannounced. Eastern Maine Medical Center’s Nutrition Department had a fish-tossing contest last week.

**RML Report**: Javier reported that the $N'erEastah newsletter’s latest issue will be out in a week or two. He reminded HSLIC that Donna Berryman is happy to come to any New England institution to do training, almost on the spur of the moment. The National Training Center and Clearinghouse (part of the National Library of Medicine) is more programmed; one should plan ahead to schedule classes from their office. Javier urged HSLIC members to keep up on the distance education courses offered online. Outreach grants will be announced on the NAHSL listserv shortly. Kathy asked if there was a focus for these grants: Javier said the interest was collaboration with other agencies in your catchment area. Dina asked if there was a venue for advocating with NLM so that the RML can keep its budget healthy; Javier said he had contact information to write to at NLM that he could share with HSLIC members.

**Old Business**: Cindy asked about the $32,000 that was left over from the Ariel grant. Deb reported that the last she had heard was that Jeff Hamm would be employed for this year. Dina offered to give Janet Cowen a call to check on the status of that situation.

**New Business**: Natalie thanked the outgoing officers for their services to HSLIC.

**Proposed HSLIC Slate for 2007-2008**:

Chair – Kathy Brunjes, Central Maine Medical Center  
Chair Elect – Happy Copley, St. Mary’s Regional Medical Center  
Secretary -- Emily Scribner, Franklin Memorial Hospital  
Treasurer -- Nancy Curtis, University of Maine at Orono  
Area 1 – Cadence Atkinson, University of New England  
Area 2 – Gabriella Howard, University of Maine at Augusta  
Area 3 – Cindy White, Eastern Maine Medical Center
The slate was approved as proposed.

**Adjournment:** The business meeting was adjourned at 11:52 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Happy Copley  
HSLIC Secretary

**Additional Activities:**

Panel Discussion:  
“DOCLINE Participation & HSLIC Membership Requirements.”

Cairns Award Presentation:  
Kathy Brunjes presented the 2007 Eleanor C. Cairns Award to Deb Clark of Stephens Memorial Hospital.

Educational Seminar:  
Rob Favini from NELINET presented a course on “Library Surveys: the Basics.”