HSLIC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
January 30, 2004—MaineGeneral Medical Center-Augusta
ATTENDEES: Janet Bolduc, Deb Clark, Janet Cowen, John Hutchinson, Natalie Hutchinson, Barbara Harness, Patty Kahn and Dina McKelvy.

CALL TO ORDER: Dina McKelvy called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

PUBLICITY: Deb Clark passed around the new brochure to get feedback. St. Matthews will be added. Officer list will be corrected on the web.

SECRETARY’S REPORT: Barbara Harness. Minutes for December 12, 2003 were approved with two corrections ($8245.92 in the Treasurer’s Report and “its” in the NAHSL Report).

TREASURER’S REPORT: Maryanne Lamont’s written report was approved.

RESOURCESHARING: John Hutchinson reported on his attempts to negotiate OVID discounts for HSLIC members. New England Journal of Medicine full-text doesn’t have any discount offers. Circulation full-text would cost $11,635. based on 48 HSLIC members, which would require a minimum of 13 concurrent users. Price includes archival access. Attendees reported on their OVID trial experiences such as difficult with access.

EBSCO: Maine database access for HSLIC libraries was briefly discussed. Access may be reviewed again, when the new contract starts (July 2004).

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES: Javier Crespo (RML-New England region) called Dina to see if HSLIC would want to submit a grant. The RML wanted tentatively to gauge some funding possibilities. Dina suggested full-text database access such as the Oregon model for nursing access. Deb Clark suggested assistive technology workstations for four regions throughout Maine. A workstation can cost $8,500 to $11,000 for the visually impaired. Many of the University of Maine campuses already have these setup. St. Joseph’s College recently also set one up.

AUTOMATION: Janet Bolduc reported that St. Matthews has paid.
EDUCATION: Natalie Hutchinson will look into the Spring program and a date for it. Topics previously suggested were reviewed. Evidence-based medicine may be offered at the NAHSL conference. NAHSL will pay for the March 10 MLA teleconference on Expert Searching at Togus.

MEMBERSHIP: Dina McKelvy reported that a membership revision in the manual is needed. Regarding the associate membership proposal, Jane Harris received one reply, which was negative. There was concern about sharing resources and providing services to organizations without a library. The proposal was put on hold. Dina will request Jane Harris continue to follow-up with institutions, who are still unpaid for this year. The HSLIC agreement revision will be discussed with Cindy White. It would be nice to have the agreement state that members will provide resource backup to others in the case of technology interruptions.

SCHOLARSHIP: No report received from Ruth Mare. She did recently visit AMHI to check on the status of the Library there.

ARCHIVES: No report received from Marj Anderson.

MANUAL UPDATE: Dina McKelvy will work with Cindy White about updating the section on MULS updaters.

NAHSL: Janet Cowen reported the conference planning committee has been meeting at Togus. She reported on the proposed NAHSL education program. The opening reception at the Bath Maritime Museum will cost about $5500. Usually HSLIC contributes to the reception. A motion was made and passed that HSLIC give $3000 for the reception.

MAINE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION: Leanne Morin-Plourde sent a written report that the form for submitting program proposals was now available on the website. Barbara Harness will post the url to the HSLIC listserv for members.

MAINE LIBRARY COMMISSION: Barbara Harness reported that the January meeting focused on criteria for New Century grants. The document delivery service has new leadership and there is concern about having enough participants to continue it.

AREA REPRESENTATIVES:
Dina McKelvy reported that she had asked reps to canvas their areas for feedback on MULS training. Few have reported. Since there was no representation from Areas 4 and 5, redistricting of this area was tabled. Area 1: Janet Cowen reported they were replacing the circulation desk with a smaller one. Six new additional computer workstations will be installed for library users.

OLD BUSINESS:

Hospital Library Standards: Dina McKelvy reported she spoke to Mary Duford (Hospital Licensing Board) about revising the hospital library standards at the state level. Mary had said that they don’t evaluate libraries and so maybe we should eliminate them rather than update them. Dina expressed her concerns to Sandy Parker at the Maine Hospital Association. The board suggested we draft a revised hospital library standard and submit it to Sandy Parker and Mary Duford.

ARIEL: Deb Clark & Janet Cowen: The committee met in November and will meet again in mid-February. Libraries using Groupwise are having problems with Ariel. The new version of Ariel will address Groupwise issues. The Ariel installer has suggested installation for Groupwise users be suspended. He will be invited to the next Ariel meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Barbara Harness will check for a conference room for the next meeting on March 26.

ADJOURNMENT: Dina McKelvy adjourned the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

Sincerely,

Barbara Harness, Secretary