HSLIC Executive Board Meeting  
December 12, 2003  
MaineGeneral Medical Center-Augusta

Present: Janet Bolduc, Deb Clark, Barbara Harness, John Hutchinson, Patty Kahn, Maryanne Lamont, Ruth Mare and Dina McKelvy.

CALL TO ORDER: Dina McKelvy called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

SECRETARY’S Minutes: Barbara Harness. Minutes approved with corrections.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Maryanne Lamont: written report reviewed. Balance was $8245.92 with $916.13 expenses reported. Members paid: 43. Parkview (Sue Pecoraro) will be sending a check soon. Two scholarship checks were voided. One was re-issued. The other one was returned by the VA. Report was accepted.

RESOURCE SHARING: John Hutchinson reported on his contact with Joan Montgomery. She is offering a flexible plan with no minimum of journals or libraries. However, if only 2 or 3 participate there will be no savings. Archival access will continue, if a subscription is dropped. John was directed to see what the cost would be for all HSLIC members to the New England Journal of Medicine. He will check about a trial, whether a front interface is needed and how fast issues are posted. Patty Kahn subscribes to OVID Nursing package and likes it. Other products discussed were: SKOLAR MD (tries to compete with MD Consult; E-Medicine and UpToDate.

Barbara Harness reported on how Oregon bills fees for OVID products with licensing fees to physicians. They also currently have a grant project (NN/LM) to provide OVID Books to Oregan nurses. Their intent is to get a stature passed to allow fees added to nurses’ licensing fees. Barbara will find how many licensed physicians and nurses Maine has.

Dina McKelvy reported some libraries have not updated MULS. She will follow up to see if trained librarians need more encouragement or
more training. How to handle libraries, which don’t complete edits was briefly discussed.

PUBLICITY: Deb Clark circulated a brochure for further suggested revisions. Dina directed her to send it to special/academic libraries, which currently don’t have HSLIC membership. It was also suggested that another benefit of membership will be back-up services to members, who happen to lose Internet connectivity for short terms (i.e. electricity, etc.) JCAHO requires we have a backup plan in place for providing resources. A committee will look into how to strengthen the wording of the HSLIC agreement and bylaw to reflect members’ sharing their resources for this reason.

EDUCATION: Dina McKelvy will report to Natalie Hutchinson some proposed ideas for the spring education meeting such as: evidence based medicine, patient education collection development, balanced scorecard or cultural diversity.

SCHOLARSHIP: Ruth Mare reported five scholarships were given. She is completing her committee.

NAHSL 04: Patty Kahn reported that HSLIC will be asked for sponsorship of the conference in the next few months and should plan for a line in its next budget. The web site for the conference is available and a link will be made from the HSLIC web site. Maine Maritime Museum will be the reception site. NAHSL 2005 will be in Providence.

MAINE LIBRARY COMMISSION: Barbara Harness reported the last meeting focused on developing criteria for public library application of the $1M approved in the November 4 referendum bond election. A committee spearheaded by Linda Lord will finalize the application. The document delivery system was also briefly discussed.

MAINE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION: Leanne Morin Plourde submitted a written report on the November meeting. Conference theme and dates were finalized. The December meeting was cancelled due to the weather.

MEMBERSHIP: Jane Harris will follow up with unpaid institutions. Northern Maine Community College will not renew. Honorary
individual members need to be identified and designated on the web site as lifetime honorary members. Jane was asked to get a committee together to look at another level of HSLIC membership for associations such as the Multiple Sclerosis Society. They may have resources, which would be helpful to us. Jeff Christensen of St. Matthews wants to join HSLIC. He is pursuing MULS and Docline training and participation.

AREA REPORTS:
AREA 3: Penoscot Bay has started monthly nursing grand rounds. Patty Kahn plans to make a presentation on OVID Nursing Books at the next one. Barbara Harness is participating in Augusta’s Capital Read-2004. The community will read Byerson’s Walk in the Woods and then have activities (lectures, discussions, concert, etc) in March. Janet Bolduc reported Inland is renovated and the library may have to move. She now reports to Human Resources.

Restructuring of Areas was tabled.

HOSPITAL STANDARDS: Connecticut has tied library standards to CMEs. The board decided that Dina McKelvy will approach the Maine Hospital Association and Maine Medical Association about endorsing MLA Hospital Standards.

ARIEL: Deb Clark reported that Stephens and Southern Maine Medical Center now have Ariel installed. St. Mary’s is next for installation. Cora Damon is writing procedures for first year Ariel participants on what they have to buy, when their turn comes for installation. Ariel is given to them. All libraries should be keeping statistics on turn around times for document delivery. Four weeks of statistics are due to Janet Cowen. Ariel training will be held at Lewiston Auburn College on January 9. Classes will be limited to fifteen. Questions may be submitted to Ian Kahn in advance. Ariel Committee will meet next in February.

MEDICAL LIBRARY CONFERENCE 2004: Happy Copley’s written report on a bus charter for the 2004 conference was reviewed. Given that only about fourteen people have expressed an interest and the cost of the bus, the charter bus idea may have to be dismissed. Happy will be asked to review the figures one more time.
OTHER: Judy Littlefield’s thank you for her retirement gift from HSLIC was shared.

NEXT MEETING: HSLIC will meet at MaineGeneral on Friday, January 30, 2004 with February 6 as a snow date. Barbara Harness will check on a room.

ADJOURNMENT: Dina McKelvy adjourned the meeting at 2:30 pm.

Sincerely,

Barbara Harness
Secretary.