HSLIC Executive Board  
Thursday, December 8, 1983  
Diane Carroll's Farm  
Greene, Maine

PRESENT: Don Bertsch, Maxine Brady, Diane Carroll, Nancy Greenier, Kathy Hunt, Judy Littlefield, Jan Morelli, Robin Rand.

GUESTS: Melda Page

Call to order.

I. Announcements (Don Bertsch)

Sheldon Kotzin has written HSLIC and invited the group to display information about HSLIC at Denver for the Medical Library Association Poster Session.

II. Secretary's Report (Diane Carroll)

Minutes of the September 21, 1983 meeting were approved as written.

III. Treasurer's Report (Judy Littlefield)

The report was accepted as written.

IV. Committee Reports

** A. Nominating Committee (Don Bertsch) Don will appoint a HSLIC member to chair the Nominating Committee.

B. Resource Sharing (Jan Morelli)

1. Jan Glover reported to Jan that the AV list is being printed. A bill for $600 will be sent to HSLIC this month.

2. Sam Garwood has sent the list of Seraline numbers from MULS to Diane Carroll. The Resource Sharing Committee members will be making these additions in the next few months.

** 3. Sam Garwood also reported to Diane Carroll that money may be requested from HSLIC to help support the next update. The committee asked the Resource Sharing Committee to write to UMO and ask for estimates for budgetary purposes.

** 4. The survey that resulted from the NAHSL meeting in Cape Cod was discussed by the group. We will respond that the group is still undecided about UMP. Also, option C was acceptable to the group. Don will send a copy of each individual library's ILL policies to NAHSL (See attached).
C. Other

1. Maine Consortium for Health Professions Education (Melinda Page) An AHEC grant proposal was funded for the training of health professionals in alcohol abuse. A complete report of the meeting is in the December HSLIC Newsletter.

2. RAC (Robin Rand) The Regional Advisory Committee will not be meeting until April 15, 1984. A discussion concerning what Countway could be doing to help HSLIC followed. Robin will be writing to Robin LeSeur concerning future cooperative efforts.

3. Maine State Commission (Robin Rand) Robin reported that at the first meeting she attended, there was a discussion about the perceived effectiveness of the Central Library District Program in relationship to school librarians. At the second meeting, a discussion concerning greater cooperation with HSLIC and MSL was discussed. Robin, Don, Sue Jagels and Diane Carroll have been invited to attend the next meeting on December 16 to further discuss these issues directly with the Board.

The following are the concerns of the HSLIC Executive Board that Don will be asked to present at the December meeting. All other HSLIC members speaking at the meeting should clearly distinguish between personal opinion and HSLIC opinion.

These concerns are:

a. HSLIC has grown a great deal over the last ten years and has many resources and services to offer. The group would like to work more closely with the MSL.

b. HSLIC would like to take an active role in the planning of new library projects in the state.

c. HSLIC would like information on what services are available in each district and how the funds are distributed.

d. HSLIC will be encouraging its members to join their District.

V. Old Business

A. NAHSL Progress (Nancy Greenier)
Two meetings of the steering committee have been held. All committees have been working hard and have many ideas and plans. More will be reported as decisions are made.
B. Manual update. The Board decided to create an Ad Hoc Committee to revise and update the manual. Melda Page will chair this committee. Minor changes will be put into each newsletter. Additional full page changes will be made less frequently and will be mailed with the newsletter. Additional money will have to be budgetted in the future for newsletter printing.

** C. The Resource Sharing Committee was concerned about the large amount of work assigned to that committee. The members will discuss how these assignments can be divided up so one person does not become over-worked.

D. Don will not be displaying information about HSLIC at the Maine Hospital Association meeting this Spring.

E. Judy Littlefield asked that all requests for membership information be referred to her. She will send out the HSLIC fact sheet and agreements.

F. Don visited Aroostook County and found that the referral center program was running smoothly there.

VI. New Business

A. Service to non-aligned, or non-HSLIC members (Melda Page) Melda discussed how difficult it is to represent HSLIC to non-librarians because it is not clear what HSLIC has to offer other state groups, such as the Maine Consortium of Health Professions Education. In the past, many HSLIC members have been reluctant to open their libraries to the public.

A brochure is needed to explain what HSLIC is and who it serves. Melda and Don will be designing a brochure that will both promote HSLIC and be used to explain services to non-aligned or non-HSLIC members. Included in the brochure will be a list of HSLIC members with a special designation for the Libraries that are willing to service the public within their own fee and service structures.

Melda and Don will be presenting these ideas to the membership at the Spring meeting. Since this concept of promoting ourselves to the public as a group is new, it was felt that approval was needed from the membership.
** Don asked the Secretary to send out the HSLIC factsheet in the next newsletter and ask the membership to send brochure ideas to Don or Melda.

** B. Stationary. Don was concerned that the letterhead for the Newsletter was not the best to be using for stationary. He will look into letterhead without the Logo.

** C. MLA Poster Session. After some discussion, it was decided that the MLA Poster Session should be on how the referral centers work and how HSLIC is dealing with interlibrary loans and referrals since we do not have a Resource Center or Area Library. Diane Carroll, Ann McKay, Robin Rand and Don Bertsch all agreed to work on the session. Diane will send an abstract to MLA by January 1, 1984.

D. Incorporation (Don Bertsch) Don has forwarded the by-laws, budget and membership list of HSLIC to Rick Spencer. He is waiting for an opinion on the pros and cons of HSLIC incorporation.

E. UCMP. A discussion of the advantages of UCMP and problems were reviewed. The Board felt it needed more information about the future of MULS and the ability to use tapes created by UCMP to submit information to MULS. The secretary was asked to write to Elaine Albright and invite her to our next meeting to discuss the future of MULS.

It was also recommended that the New Jersey group be invited to speak at the next HSLIC Spring meeting. Diane will contact Chris Lavin, Chair of the Program Committee about this idea. The Spring Meeting will be held on May 4th at Central Maine Medical Center.

It was also recommended that someone from Marcive be invited to discuss COM catalog union lists and Darryl Hanson to discuss the HAMIC project that is in progress.

F. Other

1. Judy Littlefield announced that a survey has been designed by the Ad Hoc Membership Committee and that it is currently being reviewed. It will be sent to the membership in January.

2. A letter from Debi Warner concerning problems with NLM MEDLINE and trends that are hurting rural MEDLINE searchers were discussed. The letter was given to Robin Rand to use when discussing HSLIC needs with Robin LeSeur. Don will also call Debi and ask her to write a letter to NLM that HSLIC could endorse (See attached).

The next meeting will be held in January or February.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Carroll/Secretary

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