1. **Call to Order:** HSLIC Chairperson Beth Dyer called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM. A quorum of voting members was present.

2. **Secretary’s Report:** Matthew Revitt

   Approval of minutes from the fall meeting (November 4, 2016) was tabled for next meeting.

3. **Chair’s report:** Beth Dyer:

   • **Membership recruitment**

   In January, Beth posted a message to ME-Libs to encourage public and other librarians to join HSLIC as individuals for $30. The posting went out just days before the deadline to join. One public librarian did join.

   • **Logo**

   Beth shared the final logo designs with membership by email in January; membership voted on the new logo (See above). Thank you to Judi Moreno at CMMC for facilitating the process with her college’s graphic arts department.

   • **Board Reports**

   Sofia Birden created a place on the HSLIC website to house the Board reports on the LibGuide instead of emailing them around. See HSLIC LibGuide, then hover over tab HSLIC Meeting Minutes to see “Board Meeting Documents”.

   http://nahsl.libguides.com/content.php?pid=399723&sid=3273417
• **Membership Survey**

The Board designed a survey of the membership and Dina McKelvy facilitated its creation and distribution via Qualtrics in March.

• **Strategic Planning Workshop**

The Board met for an all-day retreat at UMaine Fogler Library on March 31 to discuss the results of the survey and for a facilitated discussion of future directions with Jane Haskell. There was also a Board meeting held at the end of the day. All reports are on the HSLIC website. Thank you to NN/LM NER for covering the cost of the facilitator for that day.

• **Future of HSLIC**

The Board has spent a lot of time and energy over the past several months assessing where HSLIC has been, where it is today, and where it may be going in the future. We look forward to the presentation of our findings and the facilitated discussion planned for the Spring General membership meeting to inform our next steps.

4. **Treasurer's Report:** Greg Curtis

Income since Fall Meeting  
$3,540.00

Scholarships  
$500.00

Secretary of State non-profit filing  
$35.00

Travel  
$436.40

Mini-grants (Maine Medical)  
$500.00

Administrative  
$51.05

Current balance  
$13,783.17

These amounts were current as of the morning of June 12th and don’t include either the lunch for today’s spring meeting nor the costs of the facilitator.

5. **Committee Reports**

A. **Archives:** Shelly Davis
   No Report.

B. **Membership:** Greg Curtis
Casco Public Library have joined HSLIC for 2017. There are few institutions that have not renewed their memberships.

C. Online Services Report: Sofia Birden
Sofia reminded everyone to please contact her, sbirden@maine.edu, if their email has changed; she will need to update the listserv.

The banner has not been updated on HSLIC site due to waiting for NAHSL rep to update it. He has had difficulty getting the banner on the site. Sofia is currently waiting to hear back from him regarding any progress. The issue might be caused by NAHSL using LibGuides version 1, not 2.

D. Professional Development: Barbara Bartley
Barbara put together a binder of past meeting flyers.

E. Resource Sharing: Megan McNichol
An email was sent to members on 4/14 about the HSLANJ Group Licensing for New England: Spring 2017 offer is for hospitals only. An email was sent to members on 3/28, 3/29 and 4/7 about the AHA book subscriptions. Along with StatRef, R2, and NEJM these are the five current resource sharing opportunities available. Contact Megan for more information.

F. Publicity: Carin Dunay
Carin has not yet added the new logo to the various handouts on the LibGuide but will do so soon.

6. Delegate Reports

A. Maine InfoNet Board: Doug Macbeth
Maine InfoNet have signed a 5 year agreement with Innovative Interface, Inc.
- Costs less and receiving more from the new contract.
- Small individual libraries from Balsam and Koha are being integrated into MILS.
- Looking at group OCLC purchase.

B. Maine Library Commission: vacant
Cora Damon has stepped down from the Commission. Barbara Bartley has applied to fill the vacancy. HSLIC has never had an official seat, but over the years there has been an HSLIC librarian involved.

E. NAHSL: Beth Dyer
The NAHSL Executive Board meets quarterly. The last meeting was online on March 3, 2017; the next meeting will be in-person at UMass Medical School on June 16, 2017. All meeting reports are posted online at: http://nahsl.libguides.com/Executive_Board.

Membership: As of March 3 report, NAHSL had 106 members; 6 of whom are from Maine. The rest are from MA (46), CT (23), NH (12), VT (9), RI (8), NY (2), NJ (1).

CE: The CE committee is planning to run webinars on a quarterly basis and de-emphasize face-to-face classes, so there will be lots of opportunities for online professional development. These are shared on the HSLIC website and occasionally on the listserv, so keep an eye out.

Annual Conference: The NAHSL 2017 conference will take place October 20, 2017 at Waltham Woods in Waltham, MA. The theme is Blazing the Trail and it will be the first conference to try the one-day model. There will be no separate CE day during the 2017 conference, nor a traditional business meeting. Instead all committees will be asked to submit annual reports early, that will be distributed to membership prior to conference. There will be a brief time for questions but no reporting. This, along with awards and Gave passing will occur at the end of the day. Morning speaker is Melissa Shaffer – “Developing an Understanding of Librarian 3.0” after which there will be breakout sessions for academic librarians and for hospital librarians to discuss the ideas presented. Keynote speaker is Dr. Patti Brennan, Head of NLM. Registration is not yet open, and the program is still being developed. There will be plenty of time for networking and sharing posters, etc. FMI see the conference website: http://nahsl.libguides.com/NAHSL2017.

J. Maine State Library Update: Deb Clark
- Consultant services have changed, they are no longer regional, but instead subject specialists. There is one district with nine regions based on county lines. Each region has been assigned a MSL liaison. MSL will hold an annual meeting in every region. The Fall Council meeting will take place at the Maine Library Association’s annual conference. MSL are currently working on building one board for the entire state.
- MSL is working on a five-year strategy focused on:
  - Digitization,
  - Telling your story/data collection
  - Marvel-redesign
  - Reevaluating the ARRC system
- Deb has been tasked with overseeing the next SCOOP contract
- There is a new contract for the download library with Bibliotheca which replaces Overdrive.
- The MSL receives about a third of its funds from a Federal LSTA grant. MLS should be okay through December 2017, but after that is questionable. Senator Collins has given her word to support LSTA.
- Ripple Maine a conference looking at collecting data and using it to show value is being held at Sunday River August 14-15. The cost of the conference is $500 for registration and accommodation.
- The Maine Library Association’s annual conference will be held October 2-3 at Sunday River.
- Deb reminded attendees to respond to the surveys she is sending out.

   - All the changes are starting to settle and NNLM expect the second year will be smoother.
   - NNLM provide training and networking and will continue to support HSLIC in whatever direction it takes.
   - The hospital group is picking up again.
   - Martha reminded attendees to sign up for the weekly newsletter to keep up to date with what is going on at NNLM.
   - NNLM is carrying out targeted outreach, for this year its Boston and the York County area.

8. Old Business
   A. Logo
      - The new HSLIC logo has been approved. Sofia will ask that the logo be added to the HSLIC LibGuide without the banner.

9. New Business
   A. Open discussion about the morning’s facilitated session regarding the future direction of HSLIC:
      1. Defining NAHSL proposal
      2. Other directions that HSLIC can go in?

MLA: Attendees discussed alternative options to the one recommended by the Board (joining NAHSL) including whether joining MLA would allow HSLIC to keep HSLIC-ness and accomplish its goals. Pros for joining MLA include it being Maine based, HSLIC could strengthen MLA, and that the “Youth Services” interest group is an example of a vibrant group. Cons include funding and whether HSLIC can keep more money and be a MLA section without a board, potential lack of overall appeal to HSLIC members and hospital libraries with fewer public services to offer. A discussion ensued regarding whether HSLIC should give a MLA presentation/facilitated discussion.
NAHSL: In terms of NAHSL, there may be more interest in joining the organization amongst HSLIC members if they weren’t already required to pay fees for HSLIC because one-person libraries need to pick and choose. How far can people be stretched? For some if there was only one organization to choose from it would be NAHSL. While NAHSL’s membership is dwindling they don’t have trouble keeping their board together.

Attendees discussed the potential impact of changes to HSLIC on membership of DOCLINE. HSLIC is still a group in DOCLINE, but there are other groups the HSLIC members could join. Also, you don’t need to be an “official group” to be a group in DOCLINE, so the HSLIC group could remain in DOCLINE even if HSLIC the organization disbands. NAHSL does not have an ILL agreement or requirements.

In terms of consortial subscriptions, if HSLIC were disbanded: Maine Medical purchased four HSLIC memberships in 2016 in order to get the NEJM deal.

Another option would be to keep HSLIC, but with changes.

1. Nancy Curtis made a motion to:

   “Survey the HSLIC group to find out what our non-negotiables are for HSLIC in any future direction HSCLIC takes.”

   Megan McNichol seconded the motion.

Discussion: Carin discussed needing a decision to be made by January 1st when HSLIC member renewals are due because members might be less inclined to renewal if there remains uncertainty about the future direction of the organization. Dina confirmed that the issue of not having a slate of officers at the 2016 Fall Meeting had been one of the factors that had led the Board to look at the future of HSLIC, but it wasn’t the only one, and in any case struggling to fill officer vacancies is a perennial issue for HSLIC.

Patty wondered whether another survey would be of use when HSLIC has already recently gone through a member survey and discussed the results in the morning’s facilitated discussion. Patty also felt that perhaps HSLIC could have a more simplified board that features individuals responsible for the newsletter, website, etc. Nancy felt the new survey would need to include some specific questions (i.e. not vague ones like collegiality) about what the “non-negotiables” are which could be included in a HSLIC proposal to NAHSL. For some “non-negotiables” was not an acceptable term, “deliverables” was suggested as an alternative.

Susan and others felt HSLIC should dedicate more time to thinking through the different options and not feel pressured into making rushed decisions. However, others were
concerned about “kicking the can down the road” and whether HSLIC would disband anyway if there isn’t a clear plan by January 2018 when membership renewals are due.

Some felt that there needed to be a viable discussion of keeping HSLIC, but with changes.

Shelly felt the discussion had veered away from the original motion and there needed to be a vote.

Of the 18 voting members present at the meeting, 18 voted to reject the motion. The motion was rejected.

2. Patty Kahn made a motion

“That Beth and Dina, informed by this morning’s discussion and the survey go to NAHSL and take ideas about HSLIC becoming a special interest group of NAHSL”

Shelly seconded the motion.

Discussion: Beth and Dina will report back to HSLIC on whether NAHSL are receptive to the ideas of HSLIC of becoming a special interest group with opportunities for continuing education, scholarships and grants, in-person meetings in Maine, and institutional memberships.

Of the 18 voting members present at the meeting, 18 voted to adopt the motion. The motion was approved.

3. Nancy Curtis made a motion to:

“That Beth and Dina, informed by this morning’s discussion and the survey go to the Maine Library Association and take ideas about HSLIC becoming a special interest group of MLA”

Matthew seconded the motion.

Discussion: Some attendees were unclear if there is legal baggage to becoming an interest group? And whether HSLIC could continue to control its own finances? Matthew commented that based on his discussions with MLA it was not possible for an MLA interest group to have its own separate member monies.

Of the 18 voting members present at the meeting, 15 voted to adopt the motion. The motion was approved.
HSLIC Chairperson Beth Dyer adjourned the meeting at 2:55 PM.
Submitted by Matthew Revitt, Secretary.