

Health Sciences Libraries of New Hampshire and Vermont  
May 7, 2009 Minutes

The welcome and opening was presented by Anne Conner. Marianne Burke moved to accept the October 2, 2008 meeting minutes and Nancy Bianchi seconded, motion carried.

The Terms of Office were extensively discussed with the following results:

Administrative Committee -

Coordinator - Anne Conner 10/2008 - 2012

Bylaws/Handbook - Katie Doherty 10/2008 - 2012

Archives - Marianne Burke Spring/2008 - Spring/2010

Finance/Membership Committee -

Coordinator - Maureen Dunn 2007-2012

Treasurer - Karen Matthews 2005-States that she can remain treasurer

Membership - Nancy Bianchi 2008-2011

Scholarship - Claire LaForce stated that she is not sure anyone is designated. Maureen Dunn stated that few people have applied for scholarships in the recent past. Marty Fenn is considering the position.

Program and Education -

Coordinator - Gayle Tudisco is ending her term.

Jessie Casella will take the position for one year spring 2009 - 2010.

Communications -

Coordinator - Sheila Hayes Spring 2007 - 2010

Webmaster - Sheila Hayes 2008 - 2011

Alice brought up all the issue of the newsletter, now all the news should go on the Website

Send all news for posting on the Web to Sheila Hayes

Listserv - Alice Reed-Gorski will continue for another three years.

Marianne Burke opened the discussion on the issue of liaisons to other organizations. Currently Claire LaForce is the liaison to NAHSL for 2008-2011. Sheila Hayes, Mimi Guessferd, and Betsey Merrill are members of the Regional Advisory Counsel - Hospital Library Sub-Committee. Xavier gave a brief description of the RAC. This description included some of the functions such as assisting in the

planning for disasters, consumer issues, and the initiatives of the Hospital Library Sub- Committee.

The Bylaws changes were discussed. GeeGee Zaveson motioned to accept, Alice Reed-Gorski seconded, the motion was carried.

A discussion on the availability of scholarship funds to the membership for CE credit and towards registration fees of conferences was conducted. Maureen Dunn favors that a % of the budget be set aside for scholarships. Norma Phillips and GeeGee Zaveson brought up the questions of how are scholarships based and how much has been spent in the past. Marianne suggested that the scholarship fund be used for NAHSL and MLA attendance and 20% of the budget be available for scholarships. GeeGee Zaveson made a motion to have 20% of the budget be available for scholarships for conference attendance and CE programs for 2009-2010 to see how it works out. Maureen Dunn seconded, the motion was carried.

Javier Crespo reported on our RML activities which included training and promotion of PubMed and Docline changes. More distance based learning is being proposed. An 8 credit course on Emergency Preparedness for Hospital Libraries is in development. The Hospital Library Survey of Hospital Administrators study conducted by the RML is being compiled to help promote and calculate the value of hospital libraries. So far the results suggest that Hospital Libraries be involved in Patient Safety initiatives, nursing education and consumer outreach beyond the hospital walls. Penny Glassman is still doing the Website maintenance. No date has been stated when she will not be available at this time. The RML is in its fourth year of its current contract. There is funding available for outreach to other populations such as PA's and PT's and support for upgrades in technology.

The Committee reports were read and accepted as read. It was successful to post the reports on the Website prior to the meeting.

Claire LaForce reported on NAHSL. Her report is on the Website

Marianne Burke reported on the activities at UVM's Resource Library. This report was handed out and was not posted on

the Website with the Committee Reports. Marianne suggested that the two state libraries be invited to speak at our next meeting.

The meeting closed with a discussion about having a fall meeting that is part of the NAHSL Conference or separate from the Conference. The matter will be discussed on the Listserv. The Steering Committee will analyze the results. Nancy Bianchi moved to adjourn the meeting, Maureen seconded the meeting.

The Meeting was followed by presentations by Nancy Bianchi and The Goodwin Group as well as a free discussion among the membership.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Hayes  
Coordinator of the Communications Committee