

Minutes of the NCNMLG Meeting, May 6, 2003
Town and Country Resort and Convention Center, Towne (Meeting Room)
Medical Library Association Convention
San Diego, CA

Call to Order and Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Sara Pimental, President, at 3 p.m.

The minutes of previous meetings will be re-distributed via the Newsletter and by e-mail and will stand approved if no additions and changes are submitted.

Attendance

The following people were present: Sara Pimental, President; Lisa Lott Jerant, President-elect; Doug Varner , Past President; Doris Hayashikawa, Secretary; Annette Osenga, Treasurer; Candace Walker, MLA Chapter Representative; David Brown, ILL Coupons; Rebecca Davis, Joint Meeting, 2004, Chair; Dorrie Slutsker, Tri-chair, Long Range Planning; Lynn Van Houten, Benchmarking Educator; Lisa Wallis, new Webmaster; Maryann Zaremska, St. Francis Memorial Hospital; Janet Bruman, Natividad Medical Center; Ronald Schultz, Exchange; Gail Yokote, Tri-chair, Long Range Planning; Janet Haugen, San Francisco General; Terri Malmgren, UC Davis Medical Center, Sacramento; Linda Grix, Hospital Library Consultant; Jo Anne Boorkman, UC Davis; Heidi Heilemann, Stanford University; Joan Zenan, Savit Medical Library, University of Nevada School of Medicine; Tilly Roche, Seton Medical Center.

Committee and Other Reports

Lisa Lott Jerant presented the 2002 Professional Excellence Award to Linda Grix.

David Brown presented a written quarterly report on ILL Coupons for calendar year 2002 and the 3rd quarter, 2002-2003. A problem with the bank not recognizing NCNMLG as a nonprofit organization resulted in no payment of interest on the checking account. This problem will be resolved shortly. At the end of 2002, the balance was \$13,877.28, plus a coupon liability of \$91,744.00. Maryann Zaremska encouraged libraries to participate in EFTS, an online ILL payment system. An article will appear in Latitudes with ideas on overcoming corporate or organizational barriers encountered by librarians who wish to be part of EFTS.

Treasurer, Annette Osenga, presented a balance sheet covering 6/01/02 through 4/30/03, showing an overall total of \$27,151.99, calculated using the Quicken register.

Rebecca Davis distributed copies of "Joint Meeting 2004 Update." She reported that the Pacific Northwest Chapter of the Medical Library Association is participating in this meeting. Lynn Van Houten volunteered to design the

meeting logo. The Joint Meeting needs a volunteer to handle the finances. The use of PayPal for credit card registration is being considered.

Candace Walker touched briefly on a number of MLA initiatives of interest to the Chapter, including such topics as the MLA strategic plan, the Recruitment Ad Hoc Committee, abbreviated paper work for AHIP renewal, and the Advocacy Toolkit distributed to conference attendees. The MLA would like consideration of the issues of "Publishing" and "Compensation" as Chapter program topics and would like for Chapters to sponsor at least one continuing education event in support of Consumer Health Certification. The Chapter Council, has been considering awarding 1 credit for facilitators, but not for recorders of "Sharing Roundtables. It was recommended that the matter of awarding 1 credit for recorders as well as facilitators be taken back to the Chapter Council. A Chapter Council taskforce to review this activity has been organized, since its scope has morphed beyond Chapter business to more general topics and has been very successful at drawing a large audience.

Lynn Van Houten distributed two documents from the MLA Benchmarking Network: "Survey Participant's Guide to Finding Benchmarking Partners," and "Potential Changes for 2003 Survey." One important new data element is the inclusion of "Name of Health System" which would allow hospitals that are part of a system to pull out all data pertaining to libraries in a single system.

Old Business

The charity auction proposed for October 2003 to benefit NCNMLG was discussed. Sara Pimental will continue to investigate setting up an NCNMLG account on PayPal to support this auction.

New Business

The issue of placing online advertisements in the NCNMLG newsletter for Joint Meeting Exhibitors was discussed and will be placed on the agenda of the Transition Meeting. There will be links to company Websites on the Joint Meeting Web page [to be available about September 2003] as part of the incentives offered to potential exhibitors.

Announcements and Informational Items

The Lane Medical Library placed third in the "Academic Libraries: Ongoing Campaigns" category of the PR Swap 'N Shop competition for its involvement in "Community Day." Chiron Corporation won third place for its participation in "Bring a Child to Work Day."

Sara Pimental is seeking a Newsletter editor. Peggy Tahir will put out one more issue and will retire from the position.

The Transition Meeting will be held on Friday, May 30, 2003, at 1950 Franklin, Oakland, CA. The entire membership of NCNMLG is invited to attend.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Hayashikawa, Secretary