Colorado Council of Medical Librarians
General Membership Annual Meeting
Wednesday, November 12, 2008

Room 122
Library, Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine
8401 South Chambers Rd
Parker, CO 80134
303-373-2008

Final Minutes

Education Program – *Tour, hosted by Frank Ames*
8:15 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Program – “*Forensic Issues, Disasters, Death, Mayhem and Misconceptions*”, presented by Dr. Stephen I. Putthoff.
9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Frank Ames of Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine introduced Dr. Stephen Putthoff, Associate Dean of Biomedical Sciences at Rocky Vista University. Dr. Putthoff served as a medic with the US Army Special Forces and as a member of the US Army Medical Corps with assignments at Fitzsimons Army Medical Center (Denver), Landstuhl Regional Medical (West Germany), and Brooke Army Medical (San Antonio), where he was Chief of Surgical Pathology. He is certified in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology by the American Board of Pathology and is a Fellow of the College of American Pathologists, the American Society of Clinical Pathologists, and the American Board of Forensic Medicine. Before coming to RVU, he served for twenty years at the University of North Texas Health Science Center with positions as Chair of the Department of Pathology and the Center for Human Identification (DNA/Identity) and Associate Dean of Medical Education. Following the tragic 1993 events in Waco, Texas, at the Branch Davidian Mount Carmel Compound, he helped process the crime scene and also performed many of the autopsies. Dr. Putthoff presented a fascinating discussion of the elements of a forensic investigation, the role of medical examiners and forensic investigators, and major misconceptions held by the general public about forensic investigations. He finished his presentation with details and photographs of his experiences at the Branch Davidian Compound.

Business Meeting
10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

In Attendance:
- Lilian Hoffecker, President
- Addie Fletcher, Treasurer
- Stephanie Wiegand, Internet Chair
- Shandra Protzko, President-Elect
- Sally MacGowan, Secretary
• Jerry Carlson, Parliamentarian
• Lynne Fox
• Lisa Traditi
• Jeff Kuntzman
• Total of 20 people for the meeting

Call to Order
• A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 10:50 a.m. by Lilian Hoffecker, President.

Introduction of Guests
• Sally MacGowan introduced Teresa Mullins, Laura Cullerton, and Jennifer Rowan.

Approval of Minutes
• Approval of the minutes from the September 17, 2008, General Membership Meeting:
  Motion to approve: Lisa Traditi
  Seconded: Beth Tweed
  The minutes were approved.

Treasurer’s Report – Addie Fletcher (emailed)
• Current balance - $7,878.48
• Addie will be going on leave – the possibility of future phone conferencing was discussed.
• A question was raised about Indra’s Net and it has been paid.
  Motion to approve: Lisa Traditi
  Seconded: Ellen Graves
  The Treasurer’s report was approved.

President-Elect’s Report – Shandra Protzko
• No report
• The next General Meeting, at which Dr. Michael D. Iseman will present, has been arranged for National Jewish.
• The meeting’s conference roundup will be conducted on CCML’s delicious.com site.

Marla Graber Award Committee Report – Lisa Traditi
• The webpage has been updated with the nomination form, both in Word and as a PDF.
• Previous recipients are included on the page.

Membership Committee Report – Sally MacGowan
• Jennifer Rowan and Janet Kleiman have joined. Jennifer Rowan attended this meeting.

Library Cooperation Committee Report – Sara Katsh
The ILL survey is nearly completed – data entry is finished. There will be a meeting soon to interpret the results.

Advocacy Committee Report – Addie Fletcher (emailed)
• The CCML Advocacy Committee met on Oct. 17th with 4 of the 6 members.
• Previous recipients are included on the page.
• Because there were no nominations for the Hospital Administrator of the Year award, the committee decided not to continue to pursue nominations and leave the award unfilled this year.
• Ellen Graves submitted a story of advocacy to Council Quotes. The Advocacy Committee continues to encourage members of CCML to post their short stories of how they have improved health care delivery and instances where they have been recognized for their contribution by other members of the healthcare team.
• Barb Jones gave a great presentation called “Library Advocacy: Tools of the Trade”, an update on the internal efforts of the MCMLA Library Advocacy Taskforce.
• After some feedback suggesting the “Myths and Truths” presentation available on MLANET’s Vital Pathways page could be perceived as defensive by administrators, the committee decided to reword the presentation and re-submit it to MLANET. The wording will likely remove the “myths” and rename the presentation simply “Truths about Library Services”. Ellen and Barb agreed to work on that project.
• Ellen Graves was nominated and elected the next Advocacy Committee Chair, effective immediately as Addie is getting ready to go on maternity leave in early December.

Internet Committee Report – Stephanie Wiegand
• No report

Education Committee Report
• MLA Webcast scheduled for Nov. 19th, 10-12 – Survival Tips and Stories: Expanding the Library’s Services in Times of Disaster
  o Webcast will be offered for 2 CE credits.
  o The web link will be available for 30 days after the original broadcast.
  o This presentation date corresponds with the RML site visit scheduled for 12:00 to 2:00 PM.
  o The Health Sciences Library will later purchase the DVD.
• Web 2.0 Principles and Best Practices: Discovering the Participatory Web – The Health Sciences Library has purchased the DVD. It is not currently scheduled for presentation; however, it could be presented if there is interest.
• Other CE opportunities
  o Laura Cullerton mentioned that there might be a nursing CE opportunity through one of her contacts who was an instructor at Regis.
  o Lynne Fox suggested establishing a journal club, which would be less complex than setting up a course. She further suggested sending out the information on
the CCML list. CE credit would have to be arranged – Lynne offered to help with the bureaucratic process.

- There is presently no Education Committee.

Other Reports

MCMLA 2009 – Lynne Fox

- Lynne promoted the September 2009 event at the MCMLA meeting in Cody, Wyoming, in October.
- Stephanie Wiegand is working on getting a caterer but does not yet have a commitment.
- T.R. Reid, Colorado journalist who has previously reported on international health care services (most notably in the “Sick Around the World” documentary), and Tom Noel, “Dr. Colorado”, will speak. Mr. Reid has a new book due out soon on relative health ratings entitled “We’re Number 37!”.

Colleague Connection – Frank Ames and Lynne Fox

- Scheduled for March 12, 2009 in the DU Driscoll Center Ballroom.
- Lynne is working on getting a speaker – possibilities: Andrew Romanoff, former Colorado Speaker of the House, or Adam Schrager, Channel 9 reporter who has written a book about Ralph Carr, Colorado’s governor during the WWII Japanese internments.
- Promotion for this event will begin in January.

Nominating Committee Report – Gene Gardner

- No report

Paralibrarians SIG – Debra Miller

- No report. There needs to be a new convener.

Consumer Health SIG – Dana Abbey (emailed)

- With the Colorado Consumer Health Information Librarians (CCHILL) group participation decreasing, a new direction was needed. The original intent of the CCHILL group was to provide networking, education opportunities and a forum for discussing consumer health information—leading to partnerships and collaborative activities to enhance access to consumer health information. I decided to move away from the “meeting” setting and direct the focus of consumer health information activities to targeted projects with measurable outcomes.
- In April of 2007, representatives from educational institutions, non-profit organizations, community assistance associations, and public agencies in the Denver-metro area dedicated to increasing awareness and access to consumer health information came together for the Creating Partners in Health Information workshop at the Health Science Library.
Two collaborative projects came out of this event: a pilot project to promote MLA’s Consumer Health Information Specialization (CHIS) program, and finding/identifying partners/collaborators to support the National Library of Medicine’s Go Local program in Colorado.

- In October 2008, three approved MLA CE classes were offered, providing participants with sufficient CE credits for their Level I CHIS certification. In all, eleven participants took all or some classes. At the end, seven participants earned credits for their Level I certification. The plan is to now offer the classes virtually, opening the opportunity to those in Colorado and the MidContinental region.

- Work continues on Go Local promotion in Colorado. Many of the librarians who participated in the CHIS training voiced interest in helping with this project. Hopefully, more to come on this in the near future.

Unfinished Business
- None

New Business
- Elimination of Medical Librarian position at St. Anthony’s – Yolanda Crespin
  - The reason given for the elimination at St. Anthony Central Hospital (Denver) was budgetary constraints.
  - Ramifications of the elimination of the medical librarian position at St. Anthony’s were discussed: lack of professional library service to the hospital’s health professionals, disqualification from membership in DOCLINE, etc.
  - Lynne Fox moved that CCML request that its Advocacy Committee write a letter to the St. Anthony Hospital administrators in support of the library and that it be signed by the CCML President. The motion was approved

Announcements
- Jeff Kuntzman was promoted to Head of IT at the Health Sciences Library.
- Members should look at the ballots for incoming CCML officers.

Adjournment
- It was moved by Shandra Protzko to adjourn the meeting. Lilian Hoffecker, President, adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

Submitted by Sally MacGowan, Secretary