

Colorado Council of Medical Librarians

Friday, February 11, 2022

Virtual/Zoom

Business Meeting Minutes

- I. Call to order
- II. Review and Approval of Minutes from the November meeting
Dana moves to approve, Jerry seconds. 15 approve, 0 oppose, 1 abstention
- III. Welcome new members/attendees
Alexandra Austermann, new bio on the website.
Jacob Gallay, new to us. Access Services at Anschutz. Hosts Trivia events.
- IV. Breakfast Drawing
Winners: Laura Cullerton, Elizabeth Thoms Charles, Davin Dearth, Beth and Raven
- V. President's Report (Christi Piper)
No report this month
- VI. President-Elect Report (Davin Dearth)
No report
- VII. Treasurer's Report (Joe Richard)
Sent report yesterday, sitting pretty good. Reminder to renew your membership. Still have expenses for a public event in the spring (continuing education)
- VIII. Committee Reports
 - a. Membership (Joe Richard)
Looked for opportunities for events: the NNLM Regional library has some funding available for programming (this could be a bigger event), or if we want to do a program in person or another trivia game

Member Accomplishments

1. **Carole Durst** successfully earned the Consumer Health Information Specialization (CHIS) level 1 through the Medical Library Association.
2. **Kim O'Neill** was awarded Outstanding Affiliate Faculty for the Loretto Heights School of Nursing for 2021
3. **Ellie Svoboda** was accepted as a Provisional member of AHIP – the Academy of Health Information Professionals.
4. **Ruby Nugent** was selected to participate in the Pilot Training Class on [Mobilizing Computable Biomedical Knowledge \(MCBK\)](#) from

December and January. This intensive 40 hour, 5 week course included 15 students and 5 mentors focused on teaching attendees how by learning more about computable applications they can be part of delivering this knowledge and resources to other librarians and healthcare providers.

5. **Ruby Nugent** co-presented at the [REFORMA National Conference](#) with other MLA Latinx Caucus members and academic colleagues outlining a year-long [Hispanic/Latinx Inclusive Terminologies Project](#). This task force was made up of two project teams which conducted a comprehensive scoping review of Hispanic/Latinx terminology specific to the United States in an effort to capture and recognize the diversity of this population. Based on what they found, they then developed several MeSH and Subject Heading suggestions that were then formally submitted to NLM for consideration.
6. **Emily Peterson** will be a Doody's Core Title selector for 2022.
7. **Maggie Shawcross**, obtained her AHIP-Senior level accreditation at the end of 2022.
8. **Alex Austermann** created a [historical timeline for Colorado Parks and Wildlife's 125th anniversary](#) and created a new homepage for the library catalog to showcase it. She is currently working on another timeline for research history.

Publications

9. **O'Neill, K.** (2021). The Little Cemetery that Moved. *Regis University Magazine*, 29(2). https://issuu.com/regisuniversity/docs/21-mkcm-magazinefa21-final-lowres_1_/24
10. Connolly, T., Coats, H., **DeSanto, K.**, Jones J. (2021). The experience of uncertainty for patients, families and healthcare providers in post-stroke palliative and end-of-life care: a qualitative meta-synthesis. *Age and Ageing*. 50(2):534-545. PMID: 33206952. <https://doi.org/10.1093/ageing/afaa229>
11. Weeks, A., Justice, A. V., **Nugent, R.**, Rodriguez, B., & Linares, B. (2021). ¡Presente!: Affirming Latinx voices within health sciences library scholarship. *Journal of the Medical Library Association : JMLA*, 109(4), 693–696. <https://doi.org/10.5195/jmla.2021.1295>
12. **Melissa Kovac** is acknowledged in the following publications:
 - a. Beraud, M., Goodhue Meyer, E., Lozano, M., Bah, A., Vassallo, R., & Brown, B. L. (2022). Lessons learned from the use of convalescent plasma for the treatment of COVID-19 and specific considerations for immunocompromised patients. *Transfus*

Apher Sci, 103355.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.transci.2022.103355>

- b. Sethi, D., Martin, K. E., Shrotriya, S., & Brown, B. L. (2021). Systematic literature review evaluating evidence and mechanisms of action for platelet-rich plasma as an antibacterial agent. *J Cardiothorac Surg*, 16(1), 277. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13019-021-01652-2>

New Members

Alex Austermann is a Research Librarian with Colorado Parks & Wildlife. She states that while she doesn't provide medical information about people, she does provide articles to researchers, biologists and vets about wildlife.

- b. Nominating (Kristen DeSanto)
Not holding vote today, but Ellie Svoboda is candidate for secretary.
 - c. Bylaws (Jerry Carlson)
Nothing to report
 - d. Education (Melissa Kovac)
Nothing to report, our speaker got sick today but willing to come back on another day.
 - e. Internet (Jeff Kuntzman)
Changed up CCML homepage after getting some suggestions
 - f. Social Media (Catisha Benjamin)
No updates
 - g. Awards (Elizabeth Thom Charles)
Fran Ricker awarded Library Champion Award, updated protocols under duress of COVID 19 pandemic, Marla Graber Award still accepting nominations
 - h. Archives (Raven Morigan)
Finished the job to create DOI for all items, Haiku doesn't use handles, DOI had to be done.
- IX. Old Business: None
- X. New Business:
- a. Strategic Planning Report and Discussion
Strategic Brainstorming
Looked at 4 questions

1. What is the mission? Here to support medical librarianships, bring in medical librarianship, collegial and networking, community building, education-formal and informal.
 - It's collegial. We know each other. It's not too big. Feel comfortable asking others for help. There are others who are willing to help.
 - Love this group because they don't do traditional library work, comes to learn what challenges and successes librarians are going through. Feels like they could come to any of us for help and we will help and be honest to one another.
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 - There are conversations that are more casual or can get more in-depth than what happens over Zoom or listservs. This is where you really get a sense of what people are working on and thinking about
 - CCML is great for new members such as myself, learning about the career of librarianship.
 - As a solo for many years, this group has been wonderful - education and colleagues especially helpful
 - I love attending for support from other medical librarians. I also love attending in person.
2. Strengths?
 - Networking, dedicated members, knowledge on health/medical librarianship
 - Data specialization aspect
3. Challenges?
 - Small group of members running the show (workload issue), fairly top-heavy organization, lack of outward advocacy for profession, shrinking field, reliance on volunteer time from a small number of people
 - CCML writing group suggest that they need to be on a committee.

- As currently structured CCML imposes big burdens on few people. See President elect description. We need structure that spreads the wealth more. Committees should work, as a whole, on tasks, not individual people
- On serving: If you don't have academic duties, one's job might not require service hours. Hospital librarians may be less likely to be able or willing to serve

4. Optimal structure?

- Merge committees? Social Media + Internet, Awards +Nominating, Education + Membership
 - these committee merges seem logical, if they have to happen.
 - MCMLA - some of us in this (not me)- would be a logical one to look at.
 - I agree that something must change. Streamlining then looking at merging with a larger organization may work. If we were under CAL we might get more members.
 - maybe a more local org would help boost our micro/collegiality feel
 - Someone not in favor of the merging
- Can we get rid of the top heaviness by functioning more as a board?
- Join another organization as regional branch (RMSLA, MCMLA, CAL, WLA)
- Simplify organizations
- Look for a fiscal sponsor for money and membership management
- Considering name change?
- Do we want to contact other groups?

XI. Announcements

- a. Hiring research librarian at Regis
- b. Laura: Platt College library is moving
- c. Children's undergoing major renovation

XII. Next meeting will be April 8, 2022