

Minutes of the 63rd Annual Business Meeting & Conference
Philadelphia Regional Chapter of the Medical Library Association
Kislak Center for Special Collections
Van Pelt Dietrich Library Center
Thursday, April 24, 2014, 8:30 – 5:00 PM

Welcome:

Barbara Kuchan, Chapter Chair, welcomed all members, guests, speakers, and sponsors to the day's events.

Plenary Speaker

Dr. Craig A. Umscheid, MD, Director, Penn Medicine Center for Evidence-based Practice, presented on "Leveraging the Library to Improve Evidence-Based Practice Across an Academic Healthcare System."

NN/LM MAR Update

Missy Harvey, Technology and Communication Coordinator, NN/LM Middle Atlantic Region, offered an update, via audio link, on activities and services of the Middle Atlantic Region.

MLA 2014 Update

Dixie Jones, MLA President, 2013/2014, presented on "Building Our Information Future" which highlighted current MLA activities, programs, and initiatives.

Chapter Annual Business Meeting, Call to Order

Barbara Kuchan, Chair, called the chapter business meeting to order at 11:20 AM.

Approval of 2013 minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the 62nd annual business meeting was made by Jenny Pierce and seconded by Lydia Witman. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Recognition of Sponsors

Dan Kipnis, Development Chair, thanked the sponsors of the day's events and recognized the sponsor representatives in attendance.

- **Platinum Level Sponsors/Exhibitors:** McGraw Hill
Rittenhouse
Wolters Kluwer
- **Gold Level Sponsors/Exhibitors:** EBSCO
Future Science Group
Medical Library Association

- **Bronze Level Sponsor:**

Exam Master

Treasurer's report

Gary Childs, Treasurer, reported that as of April 24, 2014, chapter assets include \$7,148.88 in the checking account, \$5,752.41 in the Pennsylvania INVEST program, and \$8,908.57 in the PayPal account, for a total of \$21,809.86.

Chapter Vote

Chapter members have voted to change the quorum required at the chapter's annual business meeting from 35 to 20 members.

Nominating Committee Report:

Lydia Witman, Nominating Committee Chair, reported that the following new officers have been elected:

Program Chair/Chair-Elect:	Dan Kipnis
Chapter Council Representative:	Gary Kaplan
Chapter Council Alternate:	Stephanie Ferretti
Secretary:	Alexandra Short

Chapter Recognition

- **Chapter Achievement Award:**

Awarded to **Anne Seymour** and presented by Barbara Cavanaugh, this is the chapter's highest achievement award, given to an individual who has made significant contributions to the chapter and to the field.

- **Honorary Lifetime Membership**

Awarded to **Prudence Dalrymple** in recognition of her contributions to the chapter, a lifetime membership was presented by Jenny Pierce.

- **Linda Katz AHIP First-Time Applicant Award**

Established with a gift from Drexel University Libraries to honor Lina Katz, chapter members are eligible to receive this award to encourage participation in MLA's AHIP accreditation program.

Business Meeting Adjournment

The business meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM by Barbara Kuchan

Continuing Education Program

Susan Fowler, Clinical Librarian, Bernard Beck Medical Library at Washington University School of Medicine, offered the afternoon educational program “Introduction to Systematic Reviews for Librarians.

Respectfully submitted by Steven Bogel, Secretary