

**International Cooperation Section Business Meeting**  
**7:00-8:00 AM Sunday**  
**May 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**Honolulu Convention Center**

In attendance: Hasbullah Atam, Pat Auflick, Brian Bunnett, Sandra Kendall, Charles Greenberg, Marilyn Lewis, Atsutake Nozoe, Ariel Reid, Lenny Rhine, Mary Riordan, Helen Seaton, Vislava Tylman, Beth Whipple, Pam White

**Minutes**

No comments/additions to the 2008 minutes

**Treasurer's Report**

Some problems shifting over to Pat as treasurer; she contacted Ray and agreed to continue with the same bank which is in Iowa and name has been changed; MLA still wants to transfer to MLA bank and coordinate things through there; Pat will attend the Treasurer's meeting on Tuesday; have over \$2500; \$1000 from dues and only expense were MLA charges (food at business meeting).

**Announcements**

LWB Grant Award - \$15,000 from Fly Sheet Med-Informatics Co.; \$5,000 for three years; 2009 award to Grace Ajuwon, University of Ibadan Medical Library. See LWB and ICS webpages for full description of grant and awarding process.

This is the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of ICS but nothing has been done for this meeting; we should do something at the DC meeting. Ideas include:

will may create a series of digital stories (Pat's idea); collection of historical comments/ memories/ stories – a time line – section activities or individual activities plus pictures – could be a presentation or a blog! Or run a PowerPoint with audio; maybe submit as a poster. Also include sister libraries projects.

Recommend to incoming Chair that this be followed up for the 2010 meeting.

**2010 Programs mentioned**

Sister Library Reception  
Issues in Japanese Health Sciences Librarianship

**Website Redesign**

Wendy Wu discussed upgrading/redesign the website (e.g. the research section); new design with some Web 2 options. Everyone can go there and host things; newsletter already has two versions so we are moving in that direction. Agreed that this is a worthwhile activity – need people to assist besides Wendy and Daniel/Maylene (who worked on the newsletter blog)

Group agrees that we are in favor of redesign; Pam White and Mary Riordan agreed to help.

## **ICS Open List Serv discussion**

A lengthy discussion of the problem with free six month option; logistics must be worked out; problem with voting option (if not dues paying members) and how to eliminate six month access if people don't pay dues; this is a privilege for those that pay dues and should be restricted to this (Pat); newsletter is open, is that sufficient? But how much traffic really is on the listserv? (not a lot).

Voted on Open or Closed Listserv – Open 7/Closed 3

## **Newsletter – move to a blog only**

Some people are blocked via their institution; particularly in hospital libraries; currently need both formats

## **Cunningham Fellowship**

Length of visit - complex question that was discussed on List Serv; suggestions went to Board and they are organizing a task force.

Applications were NOT good this year according to Cunningham chair and Lisa Freed. Definitely a problem with the transcripts and getting the copy. We ask the task force to look at the process and try to streamline the application forms; possibly change and explain details more precisely. Is transcript required if other means of proof of degree can be supplied (e.g. diploma).

## **Update of By-Laws (Charles Greenberg)**

Took over process from Nandita Mani and he is completing the process; has sent out 30 days ago by the listserv. Eliminated several posts and considerable wording at the recommendation of MLA – brings our by-laws into sync with recent MLA decisions and language. Also discussed eliminating Section 6 & 7 as, per Christina Pope/MLA Bylaws Chair, these belong in a policies and procedure manual.

We reviewed the changes and approved them by unanimously by voice vote; Charles will send out revised version via the list serv and pursue the future changes mentioned above.

## **Job Exchange with Korean Medical Library Association**

Discussed at IFLA; Via email communication, this appears to be people coming here for training but not necessarily an exchange plus there are issues about expenses; probably need more information and possibly a model. Need a subcommittee/task force for this type of endeavor – and also on a bigger level. Also related issues are people requesting training and revising the job exchange process.

Brian Bunnett – will look at Korean and U of Hawaii job exchange.

Recommend to incoming chair that this be followed up including all the above issues.

## **ICS Welcome Letter**

Suggestion from Wendy – need standard welcome letter to new members and this should be done by

membership chair.

### **Program Committee for 2010**

Tuesday meeting and Pat Can't attend; Mary Riordan will attend – suggestions from members

- 1) Response to pandemics – how is the process done at WHO/PAHO/CDC/NIH and how do they organize/ disseminate information.
- 2) Global Epidemiology
- 3) Diseases Without Borders

In DC, we can tap into a lot of people for program!

### **New MLA Members**

Discussed means of communicating with new MLA members about the chapter. Chairs will leave info on a table at new members breakfast. We should do this...

submitted by: Lenny Rhine 05/17/2009