

St. Louis Medical Librarians Business Meeting May 28, 2015

Present: Jill Bright, Dennis Elicieri, Maria Minowitz, Denise Hannibal, Angela Spencer, Marysue Schafer, Renee Gorrell, Cheryle Cann.

Jill called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

The minutes were approved as disseminated

Treasurer's Report – Denise Hannibal

\$0.66 in interest has accumulated

The expenses for the Spring Soiree were noted.

We also received some of the co-payments for the Awards Meeting meals

Committee Reports

Programs & Continuing Education – Renee Gorrell

Annual Business Meeting is Tuesday June 23rd. Special Thanks to Matthews for hosting again.

Still looking for speaker

Communication – Marysue Shaffer

No changes

Governance – Cheryle Cann

Reported that her computer died and she was looking for files of the bylaws without the strike outs in them - the clean version approved by the Board earlier this year. As soon as it is available it will go out to the membership for their review before they vote on them at the Annual Business Meeting.

Membership – Lauren Yaeger (in absentia, reported by Jill)

Now up to 56 members. Two new people have joined – Jacob Beard from Maryville and Sheryl Walters from Logan

Nominating – Maria Minowitz

Valerie Meyer is running for President Elect, and we have received 30 votes so far.

Awards – Jennifer Platt

Our Annual Award Meeting and Program is today. (Note added after program: “Attendance was down”). Attendance was also down at our Holiday/Party Spring Soiree, but it was noted that some people who usually don’t come were there. It was suggested that we do a survey of what members were looking for in the way of programs, events, educational, social, times, days, etc.

Old Business –raising dues

There was discussion on raising our current \$20 rate to \$25 and whether or not to add the Paypal fee onto this, or have it as extra line. It was noted that we have tried very diligently to contain costs for parties/awards this year and made meals optional, or co-pay. The possibility of cashing in the CD was mentioned, but many wanted to use that for CE. A motion was made to propose a dues increase at the Annual Business Meeting and have the membership discuss it and vote on it.

Also mentioned was the money left over from MCMLA 2011 and it was brought up that many speakers want to know how much we can pay, and would rather know costs up front. More to come.

New Business

Cheryle mentioned that she was now volunteering for Ferguson Public Library and that they are participating in StoryCorps (as is the University City Public Library) and said a little bit about what they do and encouraged people to participate. (see: <http://storycorps.org/>). She will also mention it at the Annual Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.