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The Education Committee has received signed letters of agreement to speak/teach at the conference from all speakers. The committee will follow-up with the speakers for final paperwork and other arrangements in the next few weeks.

The member scholarships application period was June 1 – 30. The announcement was distributed to the MHSLA and MDMLG listservs and published in the MHSLA newsletter. The new member scholarship is for a MHSLA member who has never attended an annual conference before and provides the awardee with 3 full conference days' registration, including CE courses, meetings, workshops, lodging, and meals. The awardee will be expected to write a brief summary of their conference experience for MHSLA and assist at the registration/hospitality desk. The member scholarship is for a MHSLA member who needs support in order to attend the annual conference and provides the awardee with 3 day registration for the conference OR lodging at the conference hotel, only Tuesday-Thursday (no mileage or meal reimbursement is included). The awardee is expected to help at the hospitality desk and is required to do one of the following: serve on a committee for the year directly following receipt of the award OR present at the 2014 annual conference. There were 4 applicants for the new member scholarship and 1 applicant for the member scholarship. The recipient of the new member scholarship, selected using an online random name picker, is Michael Fitzpatrick. The recipient of the member scholarship is Mary Fitzpatrick.

Applications for poster and lightning round presenters are still being accepted until July 30. So far there are 3 lightning round speakers and 2 posters being presented. A call for experts for the technology speed dating session was also distributed and applications are also accepted until July 30. So far there is one expert. For more information about the calls for presenters please see the announcements on the conference website at <http://www.mhsla.org/home/2014/2014CFPs.html>. A final call for submissions will go out prior to the deadline.

MMHSLA decided to contact the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe about the continuing education course “American Indian Health Information Resources” being held at the annual conference. Concern was raised about the local tribe’s reaction to the course, especially since it will be taking place on tribal land. We hope that by contacting them we will avoid offending members and may possibly open up an opportunity for them to be involved in a discussion during the course. A message was sent through the CMU College of Medicine on behalf of MHSLA and we are still awaiting a response.

Respectfully submitted,
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