



**Metropolitan Detroit Medical Library Group
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Nominating Chair	Keith Engwall

An MDMLG board meeting was held November 6, at the U of D Mercy Library.

The open Public Relations and Auditor board positions have now been filled by Stephanie Stebens from Henry Ford Hospital and Ellen O'Donnell from St. John Hospital.

Ellen O'Donnell will contact the Treasurer regarding an audit for 2012-13, as the bylaws state this should be done annually.

Daria Drobney recently retired from the Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan after more than 40 years of service. She is available for part-time or temp work.

New Member Initiative

The discussion continued about how to foster relationships with new members. Sponsoring a lunch for new members to meet with board members once a year in lieu of a brown bag was suggested and will be implemented. Mentors will be solicited to help introduce new members to the group at MDMLG meetings. Keith Engwall is heading up this initiative.

Archives

There was lengthy discussion about print verses digital archives and using a wiki verses Google drive. Val Reid and Keith Engwall will look into the possibility of using Google Drive as a way of storing MDMLG documents. There is still support for maintaining binders with samples of correspondence, reports, timelines etc., especially for newer board members or committee chairs that don't have as much background. Referring to a notebook can be easier than looking things up on a website or going to the archives.

The MDMLG listserv archives only go back one year.

The Nominating Committee has started the process of recruiting for the Membership Services, Treasurer and President Elect positions for 2014-15.

Professional Development is sponsoring the MLA Webinar on November 20 at Wayne State University Undergraduate Library on the Affordable Care Act and Meaningful Use. They are also sponsoring a half day CE course on Nov. 26th at Shiffman Medical Library – “Googling the Greys” (searching the grey literature on the internet). The instructor is Sarah Bonato from the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health in Toronto. The price is \$40 for members.

Upcoming MDMLG meetings

There is an MDMLG meeting on Nov. 21st at Royal Oak Public Library. There will be a brown bag regarding tracking apps such as Browzine or QXRead and the program is “Affordable Care Act Initiative: Perspectives from Public Libraries” with a panel of public librarians.

Future meetings will be on March 20, 2014 with a program on embedded librarians; the summer luncheon on June 19, 2014 at Meadowbrook Hall, and September 18, 2014 with a program about big data.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen O'Donnell, MDMLG Co-Representative