



## Metropolitan Detroit Medical Library Group Representative Report - March 17, 2015

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### **MDMLG Executive Board 2014-15**

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**Public Relations:** Stephanie Stebens  
**Membership Services:** Angela Sponer

This report covers the MDMLG board meeting on March 4 and the general membership meeting on March 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **MDMLG Programs – Recent and Upcoming**

The March general business meeting and program was at U of D Dental Library on March 12, 2015. There was a very informative presentation on RDA by Meghan Finch from Oakland University for the lunch and learn session. The program topic was the AAMC MedEd Portal database. Linda Roth, from the WSU SOM presented on this excellent resource for teaching medical students and residents. Presenters and faculty can submit their presentations to MedEd Portal to share, or for peer reviewed publication for tenure and / or evidence of scholarly activity. The MedEd portal presentation was videotaped and will be made available to members via YouTube.

Taping of programs is still in a pilot mode – a decision will be made whether to continue, once we see how much the recordings are viewed. Speaker releases are being obtained.

The Summer Luncheon and program will be held June 4<sup>th</sup>. The speaker will be Eric Norberg, the new director of the Reuther Archives at Wayne State. It will take place at the McGregor Center at Wayne State University. The fall meetings will be moved to October and December this year to avoid conflict with the MHSLA meeting.

### **Professional Development**

A CE course is planned for April 2, 2015: the 4 MLA accredited CE, GMR workshop on "Pubmed for Experts". Details are up on the MDMLG website and there are still slots available. There is no charge for this class.

MDMLG has applied for a grant from the GMR to present the MLA April 22 webcast.

### **Finances**

The budget has been trending with a deficit. A survey was sent out to the general membership to get wider input before any decision is made on how to proceed. There were 39 participants (about 50% of the membership). The results of the survey were presented and discussed at the board and general membership meetings. As a result of feedback the board will seek approval for a \$10 dues increase for regular and institutional members via an online vote. There will also be an effort to achieve cost recovery for CE classes and lunches, and a general business meeting may be combined with a CE offering in the fall.

There was some discussion of the PayPal fees and the need to make sure these are covered in our fees. The current PayPal fee is 30 cents per transaction plus 2.9% of the total charge.

### **Public Relations**

The member publications and presentations list on the website has been updated thanks to Stephanie Stebens, the PR chair. The welcome brochure was also updated.

Invitations to apply for the MDMLG student health science award were extended to both Wayne State and University of Michigan students this year. There were 6 applications in total from both schools. The applications are under review.

### **Bylaws**

Suggested bylaws changes were reviewed. The changes related to the online voting process will be voted on at the summer meeting. The changes regarding the election process were procedural changes to bring the bylaws into agreement with current practices. The changes recommended regarding board terms were tabled for more discussion.

### **Membership**

The reciprocal arrangement for student members was discussed. Details on how to get the word out to students and how to handle the notification of the student and the other organizations still need to be worked out.

### **Nominating**

The slate was presented as follows:

**President-Elect:** Misa Mi

**Secretary:** Emily Ginier

**Public Relations:** Alexia Estabrook and Merle Rosenzweig

**Nominating Committee:** Karl Ericson, Barbara Le Tarte, Ann Schultz, Wendy Wu

### **Announcements:**

WSU will be hosting a Science Boot Camp for science librarians on June 3-5, 2015.

An MDMLG subcommittee drafted an official MDMLG response to the NLM request for information.

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