

Florida Health Sciences Library Association

2012-13 Annual Report

OFFICER REPORTS:

President Report

Martin Wood (President), Charlotte E. Maguire Medical Library, Florida State University

As President of the Florida Health Sciences Library Association, I was honored to conduct the FHSLA annual business meeting on June 8, 2012 from 9:45-10:45 at the Springhill Suites in Orlando, Florida. Highlights of the meeting included honoring Susan McCullough (Baptist Health Jacksonville) with the 2011-12 Librarian of the Year Award, and starting a year of transition for FHSLA to reach out to new members, examine the realistic needs of the association and how it can best support its members, and focus on the future.

Unlike last year, this year we had much more time to plan for the 2013 Annual Meeting. Rebecca Harrington (Vice President) did a phenomenal job of planning the 2013 meeting, along with input from the Executive Committee, Strategic Planning Committee members, and FHSLA membership. For more on the 2013 Annual Meeting, see the Vice President's Report on page 2.

In economic times when many of our libraries are facing challenging budget decisions, FHSLA members have supported each other and this association. Although we did have a surplus last year, I am very pleased to share that FHSLA finances are in even better shape this year thanks to the focus of FHSLA leadership, the support of FHSLA membership, and the diligence of our Treasurer, Deedra Walton. For details on the fine points of FHSLA finances, see the Treasurer's Report on page 3.

At the December 4, 2013 joint meeting of the Executive Committee and the Strategic Planning Committee, there was much discussion on strategies to engage and recruit FHSLA members. Ideas that came to fruition as a result of this discussion include a FHSLA group on LinkedIn and an ongoing review of the FHSLA mentorship program. For more activities regarding Membership, see Hector "Ricky" Perez-Gilbe's Membership Committee Report on page 5.

This annual report contains many examples of FHSLA accomplishments, but none of them would have been possible without the hard work of the Executive Committee and Strategic Planning Committee. I am so very proud of the FHSLA leadership team, and I am thankful for their support and guidance over this last year. A special thank you to Shalu Gillum (Secretary) for keeping all of us organized, and Nancy Schaefer and Allison Howard for their FHSLA expertise. I am confident that those who are continuing their terms, as well as those newly elected and appointed, will serve this association well in the year ahead and continue to move FHSLA forward and focus on the future.

Vice President/Program Chair Report

Rebecca Harrington (Vice President), Health Sciences Library, Orlando Health

Rebecca Harrington (Vice President) and Martin Wood (President), with input from members of the Executive (EC) and Strategic Planning Committees (SPC), organized and developed the program for the 2013 FHSLA Annual Meeting, held in Orlando, Florida on April 11-12. The meeting location (Orlando) and dates were chosen during the joint meeting of the Strategic Planning and Executive Committees at the 2012 Annual Meeting.

A post-meeting survey was done after the 2012 meeting, and the results of that survey were taken into account when planning the 2013 meeting, as was Martin's theme of "Focus on the Future." The keynote speaker, Janet Schneider, Chief, Library Service (Retired) James A. Haley Veterans Hospital (and FHSLA "Librarian of the Year" recipient) spoke about opportunities for hospital librarians to offer their expertise through electronic medical records (EHRs) and patient portals. The meeting also featured a panel discussion on mobile technology.

Three continuing opportunities were offered at the annual meeting: two NN/LM courses on Thursday morning, and one taught by Martin Wood on Friday afternoon.

Support from our exhibitors totaled approximately \$3500.00, with representatives from EBSCO, Elsevier, Micromedex, Ovid Technologies, SAGE Publications, Springer, Rittenhouse, Harrassowitz, and Unbound Medicine in attendance. In addition, Elsevier sponsored the "ClinicalKey Experience Tour" on Thursday, with refreshments and hands-on demonstrations. Oxford University Press donated the conference tote bags.

Treasurer Report

Deedra Walton (Treasurer), Harriet F. Ginsberg Health Sciences Library, University of Central Florida

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Florida Health Sciences Library Association		
2013 Treasurer's Report		
Bank of American Statement		
Beginning Balance as of July 1, 2012	\$13,493.99	
Expenses		
Chk# 1210 - Denise Shereff (7-19-12)	\$20.64	FedEx Reimbursement
Chk# 1211 - Marriott Village (7-20-12)	\$96.55	2012 Annual Meeting - Food & Beverage Overage
Chk# 1212 - Marriott Village at Lake Buena Vista (11-27-12)	\$4,000.00	2013 Annual Meeting - Advance Deposit
Chk# 1213 - Beth Auten (12-4-12)	\$130.62	Strategic Planning Committee Meeting Travel Reimbursement
Total Expenses	\$4,247.81	
Income		
2012 Membership Dues	\$15.00	
2012 Conference Fees	\$650.00	
2013 Membership Dues	\$1,110.00	
2013 Meeting Registrations	\$3,990.00	
2013 Exhibitor Fees	\$3,600.00	
Total Income	\$9,365.00	
Current Balance March 31, 2013	\$18,611.18	

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Continuing Education Report

Michael Garner (Chair), Harriet F. Ginsburg Health Sciences Library, University of Central Florida

Continuing education for FHSLA members was discussed in every meeting held over the course of the year. Although Continuing Education this year was primarily focused on providing more options at the April 11-12, 2013 FHSLA Annual Meeting, several ideas were shared about providing other opportunities in other areas of the state outside of the annual meeting. Ideas included a continuing education course on Systematic Reviews, PubMed for Trainers, and The Agile Librarian's Guide to Thriving in any Institution. As we move into the 2013-14 year, it is expected that members from academic medical libraries will attempt to create opportunities to host continuing education courses such as these at their academic institutions in conjunction with FHSLA.

Honors and Awards Committee Report

Beth Auten (Chair), Health Science Center Library, University of Florida

Gretchen Kuntz, Borland Health Sciences Library, University of Florida

Sylvia Kyle, Nemours Children's Clinic

John Orriola, Shimberg Health Sciences Library, University of South Florida

The Honors and Awards Committee has responsibility for four awards: Librarian/Paraprofessional Scholarships, Student Scholarships, Librarian of the Year, and Honorary Membership.

Application forms were updated in February 2013. Links to the forms were distributed through the email discussion list in February 2013. Additionally, the scholarships and awards were posted on the FHSLA LinkedIn page. Emails were also sent to Jim Andrews at USF and to various faculty members in the FSU College of Communication & Information, and were distributed to library school students. A reminder was also sent through the email discussion list later in February 2013.

At the committee chair's request, the deadline for applications was extended until February 28, 2013.

The Committee received one student scholarship application. No applications were received for Librarian/Paraprofessional scholarships and no nominations were received for honorary memberships or for Librarian of the Year. The Committee met on March 19th and decided to award one student scholarship. The student scholarship will be awarded to Natasha Fortune, a student at FSU.

Award recipients will be recognized and certificates of service will be distributed to all officers, appointed positions, and committee members at the annual Business Meeting.

Membership Committee Report

Hector "Ricky" Perez-Gilbe (Chair), Florida International University

Gregg Stevens, Ghazvini Library and Learning Commons, Tallahassee Community College

18 new members were added to FHSLA this year, bringing the membership total to 90, including 12 Honorary Members (as of April 4, 2013). The Membership Chair reached out to the student bodies and faculty of the two MLS Schools and the Florida Colleges librarians. At the December 4, 2012 joint meeting of the Executive Committee and the Strategic Planning Committee, discussion about how to reignite the FHSLA mentorship program took place. FHSLA leadership decided to reach out to members and determine the interest and areas of expertise of folks looking for mentorship as well as those willing to serve as mentors. The idea was to measure the interest in and availability of FHSLA mentorships among members, with a decision to be made in 2013 about whether or not to continue support of the mentorship program. The Membership Chair also took on the task of restructuring the renewal process by sending pre-filled renewal applications to current members, and working more closely with the Treasurer to keep in the loop about when new members are added and existing members renew.

A LinkedIn group was created to better communicate with members of FHSLA and those who have a professional interest in FHSLA. The goal of the LinkedIn group is to foster communication among members and those interested in becoming members of FHSLA, as well as provide another location beyond the FHSLA membership-only email list where announcements can be made. As of April 1, 2013, the FHSLA group on LinkedIn had 53 members.

Nominating Committee Report

Ellie Bushhousen (Chair), Health Science Center Library, University of Florida

Deanna Flores, Adventist University of Health Sciences

Dorothy Kelly, James A. Haley VA Hospital

At the February 14, 2013 joint meeting of the Executive Committee and the Strategic Planning Committee, two candidates were presented for the offices of Vice President and Secretary. The candidates include Denise Shereff from the University of South Florida for the office of Vice President, and Shalu Gillum from the University of Central Florida to serve a consecutive term as Secretary. A call for additional nominees will be made at the April 12, 2013 business meeting, and a vote will be taken at that time.

Strategic Planning Committee Report

Ellie Bushhousen (Chair), Health Science Center Library, University of Florida
Courtney Mlnar, Health Professions Division Library, Nova Southeastern University
Mary-Kate Haver, Family Resource Center, All Children's Hospital

The active members of the SPC were included in most of the activities of the Executive Committee in 2012-13. Their input and past experience on the SPC provided valuable insight into all decisions and discussions of the Executive Committee. A fully appointed Strategic Planning Committee is prepared for 2013-14.

APPOINTED POSITION REPORTS:

Archivist Report

Update by Martin Wood (President), Maguire Medical Library, Florida State University

No Archivist was appointed for the 2012-13 year. However, prompted by discussion at the June 7, 2012 joint meeting of the Executive Committee and Strategic Planning Committee, archives were relocated from the University of Miami to the University of Central Florida where they would be more centrally located. Though no specific date has been set, plans have been discussed to digitize the files in the near future.

E-List Coordinator Report

Allison M. Howard, Shimberg Health Sciences Library, University of South Florida

The FHSLA E-list has been updated throughout the year with addresses of new members joining FHSLA (18), changes in email addresses (5), and the deletion of addresses when bounce-back messages have been received (6). A motion has been submitted to the membership regarding adding a date to the bylaws by which if people have not renewed their membership, they can be deleted from the electronic list.

FHSLAlert Newsletter Editor Report

Roxann Williams (FHSLAlert Editor), Charlotte E. Maguire Medical Library, Florida State University

Since the FSHLA 2012 Annual Meeting, one issue of the FHSLAlert was published on October 31, 2012. The newsletter was distributed electronically to all members of the FHSLA listserv.

A call for newsletter items was sent out on March 25, 2013 for the upcoming issue of the FHSLAlert.

Webmaster Report

Allison M. Howard, Shimberg Health Sciences Library, University of South Florida

Our website has been kept updated throughout the year. The Officers and Committee pages were updated as was the letterhead and all other pages that contain Officers and Committee Chair information. The scholarship award pages were updated twice with revised due dates. The 2013 Annual Meeting page was created. Thank you to Rebecca Harrington for creating the PDF documents which made creating the page very easy. The *FHSLAlert* Newsletters were added to the website with the exception of the most current volume which the membership decided to embargo.

If anyone finds something that needs to be changed or updated, please contact Allison Howard at amhoward@usf.edu.