

Florida Health Science Libraries Association (FHSLA)
Business Meeting -- Mid-Year Meeting
The Power of FHSLA: Networking-Collaboration-Engagement

October 17, 2024 – Zoom Meeting

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 12:16 pm by Angie Novak

Reports

- **President: Angie Novak**
 - Enhance communication: Monthly emails after executive board meetings to keep members engaged and informed. These emails usually include a prompt to allow members to share personal anecdotes or professional experiences. Encouraged members to engage with the prompts to promote more membership activity.
 - Additional events: The membership committee has been hard at work creating new events for members. Our meeting today is a testament to how we are trying to do more with members.
 - There is more to come this year as we gear up for our spring meeting which will include updates to our bylaws. Angie welcomes suggestions, feedback, and comments!

- **Treasurer: Dottie Kelly** (report given by Angie Novak)
 - Current bank balance: \$13,419.71

- **Blog: Courtney Pyche**
 - The Blog shares information from the Executive Board and posts library job ads. Comments are always welcome! Other blog participants are also welcome! Contact Courtney at fhslanews@gmail.com

- **Bylaws: Allison Howard**
 - The Bylaws Committee consists of Layal Hneiny, Angie Novak, and Allison Howard. We've been rewriting sections that were hard to understand, adding sections that were missing, and renumbering in the hopes the document will be easier to read.

- **CE Committee: Layal Hneiny**
 - We had a great speaker today, Dr. Foster on Critical Conversations.
 - Another CE is being prepared for the Spring meeting.

- **Membership: Janet Chan** (report given by Angie Novak)
 - Membership currently stands at 84 members.
 - The Coffee Break event had 22 attendees.

- Additional events are being planned (once a quarter, when there is no meeting)
- The membership drive will begin in January.
- The membership directory is now available via the FHSLA website.

- **Nominating Committee: Jorge Perez**
 - The Nomination Committee will be looking for candidates to fill the Vice President (3-year commitment) and Secretary (2-year commitment) positions.

- **Social Media Coordinator: Melissa Hood**
 - Started the position in October!
 - Facebook has 115 followers; LinkedIn has 80; X has 63
 - 3 posts in October 1) FHSLA meetup at SCMLA; 2) FHSLA meeting announcement 3) FHSLA meeting reminder
 - Will be collaborating with webmaster
 - Upcoming goals:
 - Update the social media profiles to include correct mission and information
 - Determine group approval for LinkedIn
 - Promote engagement with social media
 - Ideas and volunteers are welcome! Contact Melissa at melissarice@usf.edu

- **Strategic Planning Committee: Jorge Perez**
 - Members include Jaclyn Castek, Loyal Hneiny, Barbara Sorondo, and Jorge Perez
 - They are working to update the Policy and Procedure documents.

- **Webmaster: Pammy Herring**
 - If you need access to the membership directory and haven't received anything, please email Pammy at pamela.herring@ucf.edu

Old Business

- The TBLC/FHSLA webinar project has officially ended. An article was written about the collaboration and can be found at:
<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/15323269.2024.2395766>

New Business

- Work is underway in planning the Spring 2025 meeting. A survey was sent out and posted in chat asking about preferences of 3 separate dates: February 20-21, February 27-28; March 6-7. Please respond if you haven't already as this will help with planning!

Status of Officers

- Vice President and Secretary will be upcoming vacancy. Roxann Mouratidis, the current VP will move to the President's position. Allison Howard's term as Secretary ends.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:38 pm