Cancer Librarians Section  
Business Meeting  
Seattle, Washington  
Monday, May 21, 2012

Present: Karen Albert, Suzanne Bakker, Naomi Bishop, Gabe Boldt, Ann Marie Clark, Janet Crum, Frank Davis, Julia M. Esparza, Stephanie Fulton, Donna Gibson, Barbara Henry, Beth Lewis, Lisa Marks, Rosa Minniti, Jan Oruk, Margaret Vugrin, Janet Waters.

Meeting called to order at 4:35 pm by Stephanie Fulton, Chair.

Fulton thanked CLS section sponsors: the Oncology Nursing Society and Oxford Press.

Minutes

Minutes from 2011 meeting were distributed and approved.

Reports:

Program

Fulton recognized the award won by the CLS Section in 2012 for the 2011 program involving ‘Elevator Speech’ video submissions. Esparza reported that videos in section programming were eligible for AHIP points.

Fulton provided Section Shuffle update. The theme was skin cancer awareness. Thirty-eight cards were submitted. Photographs were taken of winners (hat, bag, sunscreen) to appear in the CLS newsletter.

Crum reported on 2012 programs. CLS sponsored “Clinical Librarians Get in the Game: Collaborating with Clinicians to Improve Patient Care,” for which there was standing room only. Vugrin moderated. CLS co-sponsored two programs that ran concurrently: “Smells Like Team Spirit,” for which 50-60 people attended; and “From the Bench to the Field: Translational Research,” for which there is no report.

Vugrin reported on 2013 programming, the theme of which is “Living through Cancer: From Diagnosis to End of Life Issues.” The deadline for abstract submissions was May 1, 2012, an early start due to the international nature of the conference. By June 2012, dates and times will be chosen. See more details under 2013 Programming below.

Treasurer’s Report

Vugrin reported a balance of $11,376.

Membership

Fulton reported that membership was down from 83 to 79*. The need for promotion activities was emphasized by Crum, who volunteered to create the content for a brochure that Vugrin will...
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Newsletter
Newsletter editor, David Duggar, was not present but indicated via email his willingness to continue serving if no one else volunteered. Duggar would also be willing to serve a transitional year for a new editor. New member, Naomi Bishop (Tucson, Arizona), volunteered to shadow Duggar during the transitional year. Duggar’s past service was given a round of applause.

Website
Clark reported participating in a WebEx with all other MLA website administrators and concluded the CLS platform is out of date. In addition IT restrictions at Fred Hutchinson, which hosts the site, have necessitated Clark’s involvement in each and every attempt to sign up for the listserv. Therefore, she recommends moving to the MLA platform and will work towards moving the website this year. A round of applause was given for Clark’s service.

Recommended Websites Committee
Davis reported on the goal to update the ninety sites, which are broken down into 10 topics, twice yearly. He asked for new volunteers to edit the sites and indicated that such activity earned AHIP points. Interested parties should contact Davis or Henry.

Core Collection List
Fulton indicated she did not have a report from Christine Marton, who was unable to attend. Question of continued need for the list, the possibility of a book, and the list history were discussed. Esparza will present idea to MLA Book Committee. Bakker volunteered to help.

Section Council
Vugrin was present for second half of meeting. There was discussion of abstract submission and review process. A Likert scale will be used to evaluate submissions; those declined will be reviewed a second time. Invitations to present as a poster will be sent for promising abstracts that were declined. Crum reported that the past chair is responsible for representing CLS at Section Council. In addition, per Ysabel Bertolucci, it is recommended that the current chair also attend; therefore, Fulton and Crum will attend Section Council in 2013.

Section Elections
Fulton reported the following transitions and continuations: Frank Davis was elected incoming chair this year. Janet Crum is chair, Janet Waters is secretary, Margaret Vugrin is treasurer, Stephanie Fulton is past chair. Fulton indicated elections need to start in November/December 2012 so that nominees can be submitted for January, 2013, elections.

Fund Raising
Esparza reported raising $1,000 to cover food. A question arose about how funders were identified. Esparza explained that ONS approached her this year. She also indicated there was a maximum of $2,000 that could be raised each year. A round of applause was given to Esparza for her fundraising efforts.
2013 Programming
Vugrin indicated that one potential speaker may not be available. There was discussion of presentation via video or Skype. Crum offered that her institution had some potential speakers on the topic of survivorship. Bakker suggested speakers from the Netherlands in view of its legally sanctioned end-of-life practices. Bakker will send potential names to Vugrin.

Other Business
Davis brought up the poster presentation by clinicaltrials.gov, the fact that few clinical trials were presenting results, and asked how to get the numbers higher. Crum suggested working through Government Relations Section.

New members introduced themselves. These included Naomi Bishop, Lisa Marks, and Suzanne Bakker.

Esparza asked if Clark could place a pdf of the CLS award certificate on the website. There was discussion of MLA archiving for sections. Crum will follow up with Carla Funk.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet M. Waters, RN, BSN, MLS
Secretary

*As of 4/12/12. Numbers could actually rise after Section Shuffle and late applications have been accounted for.

**Post-meeting, Marton reported that completion of the Core Cancer Library is imminent.