# CHAPTER COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 15 April 2013

## Goal 1: Recruitment, Membership and Leadership in the Profession

Progress to date:

Angela Dixon, UNYOC, will become Chapter Council Chair at MLA 2013.

A joint Chapter Council/Section Council Membership Shuffle Committee was formed to evaluate the success of past Section Shuffles and plan an event or marketing strategy for both Sections and Chapters to recruit new members at annual MLA conferences. The Committee is chaired by the Chapter and Section Council Liaisons to the MLA Membership Committee with two other members from each council. The Committee report will be presented at MLA 2013 for an event projected to debut at MLA 2014.

Heather Brown, a Rising Star, is being mentored by the Chapter Chair and has worked with Lisa Ennis, the web manager, in revamping the Chapter Council website.

Chapters supported new members' attendance at the Chapter Council Presents Sharing Roundtables session in MLA 2012. MLA developed web form to make the chapter donations easier to track has been distributed to all chapter chairs and the link is provided on the Chapter Council website. The most current numbers for "free" registration for MLA 2013 is 28.

The Chapter Council Presents Sharing Roundtables Committee reported 205 members participated in one of the 23 topic tables at MLA 2012. 19 of the 25 free ticket holders attended. The committee continued their efforts to send communicate with these members and encourage participation. Members continue to evaluate the topics highly and express an interest in continued participation. 91% of evaluation respondents rated the event as good or better.

There are 24 topics for MLA 2013 with 239 people, included 28 chapter sponsored ticket holders, registered as of April 12th for the Roundtables at MLA 2013.

AHIP membership continues to be actively promoted at chapter meetings and events. Several Chapter Council representatives are MLA AHIP mentors.

Chapter Council members communicate information about MLA's professional development programs, scholarships, awards and projects to their chapter members.

Several chapters offer financial support for students and librarians to attend chapter meeting and the annual MLA meeting.

Chapter Council members participated in the Colleague Connection to support new members and first time attendees at MLA 2012, and are participating in again for MLA 2013.

### Goal 2: Life Long Learning

Progress to date:

The purpose of the Roundtables event is to foster information exchange on chapter-related topics, as well as on subjects of general professional concern supporting the lifelong learning goals of MLA.

The members of the Joint Chapter/Section Council session for the 2013 MLA meeting in Boston MA selected Laurie Garrett as the speaker for Plenary Session IV on global health networking. Her topic, "Working Together

towards Global Health," will be followed by a book signing. Ray Naegele, MLA Headquarters, facilitated the work of the task force.

Chapter participation in the centralized CE wiki continues to increase. With the restructuring of the Chapter Council committee structure, the MLA CE Committee Liaison and Chapter Council CE Chair has a Wiki Assistant who monitors and assists with the promotion of the wiki.

## Goal 3: Advocacy

Progress to date:

Plans are underway for a day-long meeting of Chapter Council at the MLA 2013 annual meeting in Boston, MA to allow Council members to interact with association leadership, exchange information and ideas, establish committees, and plan for the coming year. One member attended the session at MLA 2012 via Skype, and this method of participation worked well.

Many Chapter Council members play a role in other institutional endeavors including CME, simulation training, grant review, health literacy training, curriculum development, LCME preparation, patient education and membership on institutional review boards.

## Goal 4: Creating and Communicating our Knowledge

Progress to date:

Chapter Council members make up the membership of the MLA/Majors Chapter Project of the Year Award Jury, whereby chapters can win recognition for their special projects. The jury is looking at ways to encourage more submissions.

The Chapter Council Roundtables Committee has compiled evaluations from the 2012 luncheon, tabulated and reported the evaluation results, and sent letters of thanks to all facilitators and recorder who submitted their reports. The Roundtables Committee report on the 2012 Roundtable event is available on the Chapter Council website. The committee asked for member comments and feedback for new table topics via list serves. Topics, facilitators and recorders for MLA 2013 have been recruited.

The Web Manager posted the final reports of the Roundtable sessions from the MLA 2012 meeting to make them easily accessible to the members of MLA.

The Chapter News editor for *MLA News* has edited and submitted eight chapter updates highlighting accomplishments and issues, and the report from the MLA 2012 Roundtable session.

The Rising Star and the Web Manager are working to create a new web portal for Chapter Council. The Rising Star has surveyed the members of Chapter Council and chapter chairs to identify knowledge of the current website and needs for a portal. The new portal will be presented at MLA 2013.

#### Goal 5: Building a Network of Partners

Progress to date:

The Web Committee updated Chapter Council website to reflect changes in the membership of Chapter Council and changes in committee membership.

Chapter Council members report partnering with other professionals in a variety of ways, including belonging to professional organizations outside of health sciences librarianship, and partnering with other library groups to sponsor meetings and continuing education events.

The Joint Chapter/Section Council Task Force for the Wednesday Plenary session at MLA 2013 also include members of the other international organizations meeting in Boston with MLA 2013.

This report is informational and requires no action by the Board of Directors.

Respectfully submitted, Julia Shaw-Kokot, Chapter Council Chair 15 April 2013

# Chapter Council Officers and Committees, 2012 - 2013

#### Officers

Chair: Julia Shaw-Kokot, 5/10-5/13 Chair-elect: Angela Dixon, 5/12-5/13 Secretary: Patricia Regenberg, 5/12-5/13

# **MLA Liaisons**

Continuing Education Committee: Janet Cowen, through 5/13 Core Membership Committee: Melissa Ratajeski, through 5/15

Credentialing Committee: Christina Pope, through 5/15

MLA News Chapter Column Editor: Julia Hause, through 5/14

Professional Recruitment & Retention Committee: Melissa DeSantis, through 5/14

Technology Advisory Committee, Bart Ragon, through 5/15

#### **Committees**

# **Chapter Council Presents Sharing Roundtables**

Becky McKay, Co-Chair Anne Seymour Sylvia McAphee

#### Membership Shuffle

Melissa Ratajeski, Chair Melissa DeSantis Kathleen Carlson

# **Continuing Education**

Janet Cowen, Chair Bette Sydelko

#### **Elections**

Len Levin, Chair Alan Carr Patricia Regenberg Todd Hannon

## **Communications**

Lisa Ennis, Web Manager Sylvia McAphee, Annual Meeting Table Angela Dixon, Chapter Chair Procedures Diana Delgado, Wiki Help Becky McKay

## 2013 Joint MLA Program

Bette Sydelko, Chair Rose Relevo Pat Regenberg Len Levin Pam Rees

# Majors/MLA Chapter Project Award Jury

Tim Mason, Chair Todd Hannon Anne Seymour Eric Nagamine