

MINUTES FOR BQSI/MB FALL 2008 MEETING

The BQSI/MB Fall 2008 meeting was held on Tuesday, November 18th at the Metropolitan New York Library Council (METRO). Thirty members were in attendance. Yelena Friedman called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. She thanked METRO for hosting the meeting and welcomed new members. Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and approved by all members.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Yelena Friedman presented the President's Report, which is attached.

TREASURERS REPORT

In absence of Natalia Ryvkin, BQSI/MB Treasurer, her report was read by Yelena Friedman. Treasure's Report is attached.

METRO REPORT

In her report Joan Napolitano, the METRO HLSP Program Manager, stated that most applications for the HLSP Collection Development Grant had been received; however METRO still has not received any money from the state to support this grant. The money should be received shortly. Joan also mentioned that METRO currently had \$508,148 available in grants. Librarians should consult METRO's website for various grants including the collection development and technology grants.

RML REPORT

Karen Brewer, RML Director, gave the report stating that the RML now consists of 440 members. Karen introduced the RML staff by showing the institutional website. Karen also asked all members to consult the RML website for grants available to all members.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Liza Ziegelbaum, Committee Chair, presented her report. She introduced Svetlana Oziransky, a new librarian from Pacific College, who attended a meeting as a guest. Ms. Oziransky was going to join the BQSI/MB. Lisa's report is attached.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Dorothy Schwartz presented the Bylaws Committee report, which is attached. The Committee prepared bylaws changes related to retired membership and nominations and elections procedure (attached). The members voted for these changes. The amendments have been approved.

ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

Narciso Rodriguez presented the Archive Committee report, which is attached.

SHARED RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Lydia Friedman presented this report, which is attached.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Carol Cave-Davis presented the report. Carol asked members to make nominations for the positions of Vice-President-President-Elect and Board Member that should be elected in Spring 2009. Carol has been currently serving as the Acting Chair of the Nominating Committee because Luda Dolinsky, former Past President, resigned from her position due to relocation.

WEBSITE/PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Yelena Friedman presented this report. Yelena stated that the other committee member Luda Dolinsky has moved to Florida and as a result there is only one member in the Committee. Yelena asked people that might be interested in joining this committee contact her. Yelena also asked members to submit any updates to be posted on the website, including personal information changes and information about papers published, and to report on any errors on the website. Yelena's report is attached.

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

Rimma Perelman presented this report, which is attached.

COOPERATIVE PURCHASING COMMITTEE

Deborah Bonelli presented this report. She stated that one library dropped out the subscription to AccessEM and AccessSurgery but another joined. McGraw-Hill Publishing had billing issues. Deborah contacted UpToDate and found our that this vendor does not provides any group discounts for consortia. Also, three institutions signed up for DynaMed. Deborah's report is attached.

After all Committee Reports were presented, Yelena Friedman asked members to contact her with suggestions for the program for the next meeting. Kalpana Desai informed members that MEDLI would be probably interested in having a joint meeting. Kalpana and Yelena will investigate this issue. At this point Yelena adjourned the Business Meeting.

Following the business part, a presentation on Cardiosource Plus, the product of the American College of Cardiology, was made. This vendor's show was presented by Marylou Forgione, Associate Director, Brad Ettinger, Senior Director, and Karen Doermann, Director, American College of Cardiology.

After the lunch break Michelle-Volesko Brewer, Director of Library and Corporate Information Services, New Jersey Hospital Association, presented a lecture <u>Emergency Prepardness for Health Sciences Librarians.</u> The lecture was followed by question and answer session. About 3:00 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Thomas Walker, Secretary