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Presidents Report/Overview
Fall Meeting 2010

I would like to fill you in on some of the happenings these past few months with BQSI/MB.

First of all we have been preparing for the Fall 2010 Meeting since last spring. We were approached by Marlene Horowitz of MEDLI, who invited us to participate in this joint CE program Mini-Med School. This program is an MLA accredited program for 8 CE credits. Kathel Dunn is the coordinator. MEDLI has received the small project grant (\$1,000) to underwrite the Mini Med school program.

We have applied for and received network affiliation membership to MARL on behalf of BQSI/MB. This will enable our consortia to apply directly for grants, such as we received for our last continuing education program. It will be the responsibility of the current president to update contact information with MARL.

“Network Affiliate Member Requirements and Responsibilities

An Affiliate member is a library, information/resource center or organization that promotes health information, education, and/or access, but does not meet all of the criteria for Full member participation.”

I have also applied for and received a Federal tax – ID number for the organization. It is inappropriate to use the personal Social Security number of our treasurers. I have initiated a change in the Bylaws to include maintenance of the Tax ID # and the yearly electronic filing to the IRS to be added to the responsibilities of the treasurer. We will keep you posted.

It is that time of year again - Spring comes before you know it!! Dues are due at our Spring meeting. Please do not procrastinate. It does become a burden to have the Treasurer send multiple reminders and follow-ups to collect our membership dues. Please start preparing in the New Year to have the dues ready by our spring meeting.

If you are interesting in hosting a meeting please contact myself or Irina.

Thank you.
Respectfully submitted,
Laraine Tursi, President