

Michigan Chapter SLA Board Meeting Teleconference November 9, 2010

President Nathan Rupp called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

- **1. Call to order**: The meeting was called to order by President Nathan Rupp. In attendance were Karly Szczepkowski (President Elect), Joel Seewald (Secretary), Nancy Yee (Archivist), Bryce Rudder (Bulletin Editor), and Ashley Patterson Smith (Webmaster).
- 2. Webmaster Report: Changes are coming to both SLA and unit sites. Next year, SLA is changing host providers. The SLA web site and unit web sites will be hosted by Host Gator. WordPress (blogging software) will be used to update pages instead of using a web editor. A professional WordPress theme, specifically designed for SLA units, will be used. Price will be \$40 per year, which includes 24/7 technical support, e-mail accounts, an SQL database, and an almost 100% uptime guarantee. Demo will be shown at Leadership Summit. The new theme will mean that our web site will look different. A pilot with some units is underway; all units will need to convert to the new theme in 2011. SLA Europe (http://www.sla-europe.org) is already using WordPress, so we can expect our site to look similar to that.
- **3. Minutes Review:** There wasn't a quorum of elected board members to approve the minutes from the September 21 and October 12 meetings. Nathan will e-mail the minutes to the board Wednesday or Thursday for approval.

4. President's Report:

- Nominating Committee Information
 - We received a list of candidates for elected offices: Randy Dykhuis (MCLS) for Treasurer, Jennifer Zimmer (University of Michigan Business Library) for Director, Jessica Enget (Vicksburg District Library) for Secretary, and Breezy Silver (Michigan State) for President-Elect. Nathan wants to post these names in the next newsletter issue and give members two weeks to get back with other nominees. Next newsletter should go out soon, but Bryce didn't have a definite date. Nathan could also e-mail the nominees to the members so that they have two weeks to look at the names and forward any other nominations (Nathan will contact those not on the call by the end of the week to make sure this is OK with them).
- Student Tuition Scholarship Awards Only one response, so far, and that is from a student who has graduated, hoping to help pay off loans. Since Wayne State requires that we pay them directly, this scholarship needs to go to a current

- student. If we don't get any other responses, what do we do? Not give out an award this year? Wait to see if we get more responses. Karly sent out a reminder to both Wayne State's and University of Michigan's e-mail lists.
- Volunteer Positions We have volunteers for: Employment Chair (Judy Matthews from Michigan State), a couple of volunteers for Public Relations Chair. Four other positions are still open: Membership Chair, Career Guidance at Wayne State, Diversity Chair, and Hospitality Chair. If we don't hear from more people in the next week or two, Nathan will ask again for volunteers.
- **Programming survey** Information from the programming survey from late last year/early this year should be forwarded to incoming President-Elect/ Programming Chair. Karly will mention this to the incoming President-Elect/ Programming Chair. Karly also said that she set up a wiki for the programming team that incorporates ideas that people have e-mailed or otherwise mentioned to her throughout the year.

5. Treasurer's Report:

No change from last time, except the addition of a few dollars in interest.

6. Membership Report:

No report.

7. Director's Report:

• No report.

8. President-Elect/Program Report:

• November – Instructional session to be held Wednesday, November 17 at Cranbrook Archives. At 6:00 p.m. there will be an optional tour of the archives. Event starts at 6:30 p.m. with a remote demonstration of PastPerfect, conducted by a PastPerfect representative. This program is offered online to members who can't go to Cranbrook. 21 RSVPs so far, with one of those a remote attendee. After the representative has spoken, someone who implemented PastPerfect will speak about her experience with PastPerfect. Then, Cranbrook Archivist will speak about CONTENTdm and why she chose that. Event if free with RSVP deadline on November 8.

• December –

- Annual Holiday Party on Monday, December 6 at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. This is a fee-based event because of the dinner. Cost is same as last year: \$20 for students; \$25 for members; \$30 for non-members. We should have PayPal set up as a payment option no later than November 22.
- ➤ The event will again have a silent auction to help pay for a student to attend the 2011 SLA Annual Conference in June. Joe Anteau is coordinating the silent auction and has about 15 items, but his goal is about 20 items. A notice was sent to the e-mail list asking for donations for the silent auction and to contact Joe directly.

- ➤ There will be time for a short business meeting for introductions of new officers and transfer of the gavel. We have the room from 5:00 9:00 p.m. In the past, members arrived at 6:00, mingling/networking and browsing the silent auction table went until 6:30, the business meeting started at 6:30, dinner was served at 7:00, after dinner came the announcement of the auction winners, and we were out by 8:00. Karly and Nathan will discuss whether they want to make changes from this format (have until November 22).
- **9. Meeting Close –** Bryce moved that the meeting be closed and Nancy seconded. Nathan adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Joel Seewald, Secretary November 10, 2010