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SLA MI Chapter Board meeting

Date: Wednesday, February 15

Time: Noon to 12:40 PM

The call-in information:

AGENDA

Members present: Jane Potee, Joel Scheuher, Danguole Kviklys (Dee), Jennifer Meekhof, Meryl Brodsky, Jennifer Zimmer, Anne Herron

Regrets: Merle Rosenzweig

Motion was made to call by Jennifer and seconded by Joel.

Danguole made a motion to approve Agenda with Anne seconded. Jennifer Z. made a motion to approve the December 14, 2016 Minutes, and Joel seconded the motion. (Note: Jane will see about putting 2016 minutes and today's meeting minutes in the library of the SLA Connect Michigan Community).

President's Report- Jane offered a big "thank you" out to Meryl and Jennifer for meeting in December, and then assisting Jane in getting Chapter 2016 Financials to SLA Accounting and Auditors by January 2017 deadlines. Chapter received confirmation reports have been received, and have not had any additional follow up from SLA HQ. We hope to hear soon of our 2017 allotment from SLA HQ, and this gets added to our SLA Chapter Investment Account.

Jane then gave a brief recap on the recent **Unit Communications Tools and Strategies** webinar, which included the **Unit Membership Toolkit**. Presenters were Kate O'Donnell, VP of Market and Brand Strategy for SLA, and Emily Brown, Membership. You can find [the recording, slides, and question log from webinar](#) in the library within the SLA Volunteer Leadership community on SLA Connect. The goal of the SLA HQ hosted webinars is "to support and equip you in your volunteer role as much as possible."

Jane reminded the group that the SLA Annual Conference registration is now open and is available to link to from both our SLA MI Chapter website and the Special Libraries Association website. Early Bird Registration is still available.

Jane, Joel and Jennifer Meekhof will meet offline to discuss putting the final draft of the Michigan Chapter Recommended Practices before the Membership, and have targeted to have amended document done by March 31, 2017.

Jane realized she had not invited Judy Smith, representing University Michigan Library Students, and Jennifer M. representing the Wayne State University Library Students to join on the call. To do; Jane will connect with Judy and Jennifer M. regarding publicity and information out to the students on a SLA MI Chapter Scholarship.

One last note, Officers and Committee members who have not already completed the *Leadership Code of Responsibility* (2017) are asked to complete the following back to SLA HQ. Please visit <http://www.sla.org/governance/leadership-code-of-responsibility/>

President-Elect/Program Chair Report – Danguole Kviklys.

Updates to 2017 Michigan SLA program event plan details.

State of the library & information market. Recommendation – postpone until October or November. Interested in locating either solo speakers or panel participants who work directly with the job market could share their insight on who is hiring librarians and what types of skills are recommended to obtain employment or remain professionally relevant. This event would have to be held at the Ross School because we have FREE access to video conferencing technology and generous IT support.

The following people have been contacted:

- Career Placement Director, UM I-School.
- Career Placement Director, San Jose State University I-School (SLA suggestion)
- Principal. LAC-Group (SLA suggestion and former SLA President)
- SLA Headquarters & SLA President Dee Magnoni. Suggested speakers whom I contacted. Since

Dee Magnoni is a government employee and a hiring manager at Los Alamos, she offered to be part of a panel and talk about government employment.

Dee also suggested Jim Matarazzo, former Dean of Simmons I-School and Kim Dority who wrote a book on rethinking information work.

Since the contacts have yet to respond, this event can be hosted in September or October. If they do not respond, we can have a panel of SLA members who could discuss how they used their library skills in non-traditional settings. Anne has some good suggested candidates. I also have a few more other contacts to follow up.

Designing effective & visually attractive presentations. Met with a communications coach at the Ross School of Business whose group works with student presentation skills and sponsor relationships. She was interested in our topic and said that she will discuss this with her colleagues. I will follow up with her on Friday.

Emerging Technologies. Anne Herron had some concrete and very good event suggestions and maybe we can move forward on one of them for the later part of April. Anne suggested the topic of Emerging technologies in Data Science & Information Fields. Potential speakers: Mari W. Buche, Assoc Professor, Management Information Systems, Michigan Technological University and Amjad S, member of the National Center for Economic Gardening.

The SLA MI Chapter also looks forward to co-hosting workshop on *Data, Analytics, and Visualizations* on March, 17, 2017 with University of Michigan and the Maryland Chapter of SLA, at the University of Michigan. More information - <http://michigan.sla.org/2017/01/upcoming-workshop-data-analytics-visualizations-march-17-2017/>

Secretary's Report – None

Treasurer's Report – Meryl has not heard back from SLA HQ regarding financials, assuming “no news is good news.” SLA continues the migration from Quicken to QuickBooks and all Chapters/Units should be using QuickBooks in 2017.

Balance of Accounts detailed below:

- Business Checking: \$16,367.03
- Business Savings: \$4,430.09
- Total combined: \$20,797.12
- SLA- INVESTMENT ACCOUNT: \$7043.69

Director's Report – Jennifer M did not have anything new to report, and will be joining Joel and Jane on the updates to the *Michigan Chapter Recommended Practices*. This is a project that began in 2016 with Merle, Randy and Joel working on the draft. Once finalized The Membership, Michigan Chapter Recommended Practices changes will start with the Chapter's 2018 year.

Other Reports/New Business - None

Adjourn Meeting

Thank you.
Kind regards,

Jane Potee
SLA Michigan Chapter
President (2017)