

**MiALA Board Meeting Minutes  
December 18, 2018 at 2:00pm**

**Attendance:** Paul Gallagher, Clayton Hayes, Gina Bolger, Heather Ladiski, Tina Ulrich, Jen Fiero, Helen Look

**Absent:** Jessica Sender, Rebecca Renirie, Mary Kickham-Samy, Caryn Noel, Beth Martin

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 2:03pm.

**Board Business Meeting:**

1. Approval of agenda - Hayes made a motion to approve the agenda and Ulrich seconded. The motion carried.
2. Approval of Consent Agenda (agenda items within 2) - Fiero made a motion to approve the agenda and Hayes seconded. The motion carried.
  - a. Approval of [November 20, 2018](#) board meeting minutes
  - b. Committee reports
    - i. Advocacy -
    - ii. Communications and Marketing -
    - iii. Executive -
    - iv. Membership -
    - v. Nominating
    - vi. Conference -
    - vii. Section Reports
    - viii. Administrative
    - ix. Collection -
    - x. User Experience -
  - c. Partner Reports
    - i. MCLS -
  - d. Treasurer's Report -
  - e. Policies and Procedures Manual -
  - f. Interest Group Coordinating Council -

**Old Business**

1. Any follow-up questions or discussion on reports?
  - a. No questions or discussions.
2. Bylaw changes update - An email was sent to the membership to report the final results of the voting to change the bylaws. Ladiski proposed that the number of members-at-large for the IGCC will be determined every year on January 1. These numbers will then be used by the nomination committee to plan for the spring election.
3. February 19, 2019 in person board meeting at MCLS in Lansing - This in person board meeting will be held from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and will include the regular February

board meeting with a budget report and other projects. An agenda will be developed in January 2019.

### **New Business**

1. Residency Interest Group Proposal - Gallagher made a motion to approve the proposal as written and Ulrich seconded. The motion carried.
2. Assessment IG Event Proposal - Gallagher made a motion to approve the proposal as written and Ulrich seconded. The motion carried.
3. MHSLA Conference Proposal (Language included below, original letter at: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/0yx6ipy07h7w9de/MHSLA%20MiALA%20partnership%20proposal.docx?dl=0>) - Sender is a member of MHSLA and has been working with them to hold their annual conference before the MiALA annual conference beginning in 2022. The group currently has 60 members. Gallagher made a motion to partner with MHSLA and respectfully asks for a planning group to be made as this plan moves forward. Hayes seconded and the motion carried.
4. Communications/Collaborations with MLA Leadership - The MLA leadership has approached the board to begin discussing ways that the two organizations could partner with each other for the good of all Michigan libraries. Some topics to discuss include possibly hosting a joint ACRL road show in the future and what the future plans should be for the MLA Academic Librarians Day. MiALA board members were encouraged to begin thinking about these topics and to be prepared for a discussion at the February board meeting.
5. Membership mailing list distribution - Ladiski was recently approached by an institutional member for an address list of all MiALA members. The organization does not give this information to vendors or individuals, but could offer this in certain cases as a benefit of institutional membership if appropriate boundaries could be set. Ladiski begin to research if each member could give permission for this at the time of membership renewal.

Gallagher made motion to adjourn and Fiero seconded. The motion carried.  
The meeting was adjourned at 2:35pm.

### **Issue Bin / Future Agenda Items**

1. Inviting the new IGCC members to a staff meeting
2. Privacy policy for MiALA
3. Opt out for membership mailing list distribution

### **Upcoming Important Dates:**

- January 10, 2019 - Membership Committee meeting
- January 15, 2019 - Deadline for February newsletter submissions

**Next Board Meetings:**

The third Tuesday of every month at 2:00pm.

- January 15, 2019
- February 19, 2019
- March 19, 2019
- April 16, 2019
- May 21, 2019
- June 18, 2019

**Next Executive Board Meetings:**

The first Tuesday of every month at 2:00pm.

- January 8, 2019 (second Tuesday)
- February 5, 2019
- March 5, 2019
- April 2, 2019
- May 7, 2019
- June 4, 2019

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Dear Michigan Academic Library Association Executive Board,

Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association (MHSLA) is a professional organization of medical/nursing/health sciences librarians that focuses on professional development. MHSLA members work in hospitals, academia, corporations, or as private consultants and information brokers. Like MiALA, we hold an annual education conference. Over the past several years, as our membership has slowly declined, so has our conference attendance and conference planning volunteer pool. Consequently, it has become increasingly more difficult to plan and hold our annual conferences.

The MHSLA Board has formed a working group to inquire into potential partnerships with other library organizations for conference purposes. We believe MiALA would be a good fit with MHSLA. Many of our MHSLA members are also MiALA members. Additionally, our two organizations have similar professional development needs. Some of the educational offerings we have had over the last two conferences have included:

- Introduction to Data Visualization Using Tableau Public
- Super Searcher Strategies
- Perspectives in Research Data Management
- Engaging Assessment to Show Value & Make Decisions: Making the Case for Your

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- Getting Started with Information Outreach in Your Community

We envision a conference partnership that allows MHSLA the opportunity to add a day onto the MiALA annual conference for medical/nursing/health sciences specific continuing education. Many of our members hold Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP) credentialing and are required to obtain Medical Library Association Continuing Education credits to maintain their status. Conference attendees could attend both MHSLA and MiALA educational offerings and participate in combined refereed poster and paper presentation sessions. MiALA could benefit from added educational opportunities for attendees, additional conference planning assistance from the MHSLA membership, and greater conference attendance. Our conference attendance over the last few years has averaged around 60 attendees.

MHSLA conference planning for 2019 is well underway, and we have already signed a contract for 2020. Due to timing (we have traditionally held our conferences in the fall), if MiALA is interested in partnering with MHSLA, we could trial a combined conference in 2022.

Thank you for your consideration,

MHSLA Executive Board and MHSLA Conference Working Group

Jill Turner – President

Alexandra Sarkozy – President –Elect

Kate Saylor – Secretary

Treasurer – Jennifer Bowen

Jessica Sender – MHSLA Conference Working Group

Melanie Bednarski - MHSLA Conference Working Group

Diane Gardner - MHSLA Conference Working Group

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