



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of

The Ottawa Valley Health Libraries Association /
Association Des Bibliothèques de la santé de la Vallée de l'Outaouais

Friday, October 9, 2009
12:00 – 2:30

Royal Ottawa Mental Health Centre, Room 1424

Present:

Lorna Adcock (Canadian Medical Association)
Debbie Ayotte (The Ottawa Hospital)
Johanne Gohier (The Ottawa Hospital)
Amanda Hodgson (CADTH)
David Kaunelis (CADTH)
Dianne Kharouba (University of Ottawa)
Cathy MacLean (Royal Ottawa Mental Health Centre)
Heather McDonald (CHEO)
Shaila Mensinkai (CADTH)
Emmanuel Nkansah (CADTH)
Margaret Quirie (The Ottawa Hospital)
Nancy Roberts (Bruyère Continuing Care/SHRTN Library for Eastern Ontario)
Carolyn Spry (CADTH)

1.0 Welcome

Cathy MacLean welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1.1 Approval of Agenda

The following items were added to the agenda by Cathy MacLean:

Canadian Cochrane Library User Survey
CHLA-ABSC Chapter Initiatives Fund
UNYOC request regarding future conference in Ottawa

The motion to approve the agenda was moved by Margaret Quirie and seconded by Emmanuel Nkansah.

2.0 Minutes from the last meeting

2.1 Approval of minutes of May 26, 2009

Under item 3.2 the spelling of Adcock to be corrected.

The motion to approve the minutes was moved by Dianne Kharouba and seconded by Nancy Roberts.

3.0 Reports

3.1 Treasurer's Report – Johanne Gohier

Johanne reported that there is a balance of \$5489.00 in the account as of September 2009. We now have 23 members versus the 26 in 2008.

Please send Johanne any suggestions regarding those who might be approached as a potential member.

Approval of the Treasurer's Report was moved by Margaret Quirie and seconded by David Kaunelis.

3.2 Continuing Education Report – Lorna Adcock

A continuing education event is being planned for Wednesday, November 25, 2009 at the University of Ottawa. In the morning (9 to 12:30 p.m.) a Cochrane Library Train-the-trainer Workshop will be given by Tamara Rader from the Cochrane Collaboration. In the afternoon (1:30 to 4:00 p.m.) an Advanced PubMed Searching Workshop will be given by Emmanuel Nkansah and Melissa Severn from CADTH. The training room holds 18 participants. Registration is free and will be offered to those on the OVHLA listserv to begin. Information regarding this CE event will be sent to the listserv in the near future.

Approval of the Continuing Education Report was moved by Shaila Mensinkai and seconded by Emmanuel Nkansah.

3.3 Web/ listserv update – Cathy MacLean

The National Research Council -- CISTI is no longer able to host the listserv. The CHLA Board hopes to offer listserv hosting to CHLA Chapters

in the near future. Tim Tripp is working on this project. OVHLA members will be switched automatically to the new listserv or will be notified of any steps necessary in order remain on the listserv. Dianne Kharouba and Cathy MacLean will follow-up.

Debbie Ayotte has an update of the membership from Johanne Gohier and will ask Risa Shorr to update the listing of members on the OVHLA website.

Any suggestions about items that could be posted to the website, please contact a member of the executive or email Risa Shorr at rshorr@ottawahospital.on.ca.

4.0 OVHLA Executive (vote if necessary)

4.1 Announcement of new executive members

Cathy MacLean announced the acclamation of the new President and Secretary of OVHLA:

Margaret Sampson, CHEO, will serve as President.
Amanda Hodgson, CADTH, will serve as Secretary.

Many thanks to both for volunteering their time. Cathy MacLean will step down as President and Debbie Ayotte will step down as Secretary.

5.0 Member Roundtable Discussion

Items of note included the following...

Philip Allan at Canadian Forces is retiring in December 2009 after 33 years of service.

The CADTH document entitled "Grey Matters: A practical search tool for evidence-based medicine" has been updated recently and can be found at: <http://www.cadth.ca/index.php/en/cadth/products/grey-matters>. As well, CADTH has posted the publication entitled "English-Language Restriction When Conducting Systematic Review-based Meta-analyses: Systematic Review of Published Studies" at: <http://www.cadth.ca/index.php/en/hta/reports-publications/search/publication/88>.

The opening of the Irving Greenberg Family Cancer Centre at the Queensway-Carleton Hospital, in partnership with The Ottawa Hospital Regional Cancer Program, will include the opening of a new consumer health library within the

Cancer Centre. The library will be staffed by Library Services at the Ottawa Hospital and is scheduled to be opened in early 2010.

The Seniors Health Research Transfer Network (SHRTN) is at the end of a three-year funding cycle and funding is currently under review.

The University of Ottawa recently received a visit from the Association of Research Libraries (ARL) as part of the process for membership. In addition, in January 2010, the University of Ottawa will launch Endeca, a new interface for the library catalogue. In the near future, the University will be posting a librarian position in order to staff the library at Montfort Hospital.

Members are reminded of the call for Contributed Papers, Roundtable Discussions and Posters for the CHLA-ABSC Conference 2010 in Kingston from June 7 to 10, 2010: <http://www.chla-absc.ca/en/node/421>.

6.0 Other Business

Emails regarding the Canadian Cochrane Library User Survey (<http://surveys.cochrane.org/SelectSurveyNET/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=9IL2Ip2>) and the CHLA/ABSC Chapter Initiatives Fund (<http://www.chla-absc.ca/?q=en/node/122>) have been sent to the listserv by Cathy MacLean. Members are encouraged to participate in the survey as well as to bring any ideas forward regarding possible applications to the Chapter Initiatives Fund. Members can check the Chapter Initiatives Fund web page for an outline of the criteria for application.

UNYOC – the Upstate New York and Ontario Chapter of the Medical Library Association (<http://www.unyoc.mlanet.org/index.shtml>) -- contacted Cathy MacLean regarding the possibility of hosting a future UNYOC conference in Ottawa in September or October of 2011. Some members had previously been involved in a joint conference held by UNYOC and OVHLA in Ottawa in 2004. Members expressed an interest in discussing further with UNYOC. Margaret Quirie offered to help in the planning of a future conference. Cathy will reply to the Diana Cunningham, UNYOC Conference Planning Chair.

7.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.