



## The Ottawa Valley Health Libraries Association

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### **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, November 19, 2010

11:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Medicine Board Room - University of Ottawa Health Sciences Building  
Room 2029, 451 Smyth Road, Ottawa

#### **Present:**

Margaret Sampson (CHEO)  
Johanne Gohier (The Ottawa Hospital)  
Michelle Purcell (The Ottawa Hospital)  
Amanda Hodgson (CADTH)  
Margaret Quirie (The Ottawa Hospital)  
Alina de Nanassy (CADTH)  
Emmanuel Nkansah (CADTH)  
Nina Frey (CADTH)  
Caitlyn Ford (CADTH)  
Carolyn Spry (CADTH)  
Kelly Farrah (CADTH)  
Cathy MacLean (Royal Ottawa Health Care Group)  
Dianne Kharouba (Health Sciences Library, University of Ottawa)  
Jessica McEwan (Berkman Library, University of Ottawa)  
Heather MacDonald (University of Ottawa)  
Michelle Saunders (University of Ottawa)  
Marie-Cécile Domecq (Montfort Library, University of Ottawa)  
Nancy Roberts (SHRTN/Bruyère Continuing Care)  
Mireille Ethier-Danis (Bruyère Continuing Care)  
Naomi Blais (Canadian Dental Association)  
Jin Zhu (CF Health Service Group Headquarters)  
Laurie Scott (Bracken Health Sciences Library)  
Michelle Swab (Bracken Health Sciences Library, Queen's University)  
Paola Durando (Bracken Health Sciences Library, Queen's University)  
Sandra Halliday (Bracken Health Sciences Library, Queen's University)  
Isabelle Julien (CISTI)

#### **1.0 Welcome**

Margaret Sampson welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### **2.0 Approval of Agenda**

The motion to approve the agenda was moved by Dianne Kharouba.

#### **3.0 Minutes from the last meeting**

### **3.1 Approval of minutes of October 9, 2009**

The motion to approve the minutes was moved by Margaret Quirie.

### **4.0 Round of introductions**

### **5.0 Reports**

#### **5.1 President's Report – Margaret Sampson**

The 2016 joint MLA/CHLA conference may possibly be held in Ottawa, although official inquiries have not yet been made. Plans for the 2016 conference will be confirmed by spring 2012. OVHLA will be kept apprised of the status of Ottawa as a location. Margaret thanked the attendees for her nomination for the CHLA Hospital Librarian of the Year award, which she received at the CHLA 2010 conference in Kingston. Laurie Scott, who was also in attendance, was acknowledged for receiving the Margaret Ridley Charlton Award of Outstanding Achievement at the same conference. The OVHLA consumer health interest group held two well-attended meetings last year, and volunteers to help sustain this initiative were called for. The opportunity to host an information session on the Canadian Virtual Health Library (CVHL) was discussed and interest was recorded in having a teleconference or videoconference for this venture.

#### **5.2 Web/ listserv update – Amanda Hodgson**

The OVHLA listserv is running smoothly. Thanks to CISTI for hosting the listserv in previous years and to Tim Tripp from CHLA for his assistance in troubleshooting the new software on their site. There are currently 88 listserv subscribers. 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](mailto:rshorr@ottawahospital.on.ca).

#### **5.3 Treasurer's Report – Johanne Gohier**

Johanne reported that the balance of the OVHLA account was \$5151.31, and there are 21 active memberships, 2 of which are individual memberships. A detailed breakdown of the accounts was distributed.

Removing institutional memberships in favour of individual memberships was discussed. The OVHLA executive will discuss the change. The motion was tabled for the next OVHLA meeting.

#### **5.4 Continuing Education Report – Michelle Purcell**

A website list of upcoming local continuing education opportunities was proposed. It was decided that courses of interest would be advertised by members using the OVHLA listserv. Interest in "in-person" workshops was highlighted.

### **6.0 OVHLA Executive**

#### **6.1 Announcement of new executive members**

##### **6.2 Positions to be filled:**

Treasurer – Charlene Argáez was nominated by Amanda Hodgson and seconded by Margaret Quirie.

Continuing Education Coordinator – Margaret Sampson nominated Michelle Purcell and was seconded by Johanne Gohier.

Thank you to these new members of the OVHLA executive team.

## **7.0 Special Reports**

### **7.1 OHLA Update**

Margaret Quirie, currently president-elect for the OHLA (Ontario Health Libraries Association) highlighted the upcoming OLA superconference, where there will be an OHLA first-timers award, and an anniversary event for the OHLA section.

### **7.2 CISTI Update**

Isabelle Julian presented a detailed report to attendees and relayed CISTI's mission:

- a focus on Canadian knowledge
- their role as a national science library, and the NRC repository
- PubMed Central Canada
- Canadian Virtual Health Library

Client inquiries regarding Infotrieve were noted. Please contact Infotrieve directly with your questions.

### **7.3 Champlain LHIN**

Cathy MacLean reported that an information portal for the Champlain LHIN is currently being discussed, which could possibly provide information services to community hospitals, CCAC, long-term care facilities, etc. The first milestone of this initiative is to be a union catalogue.

## **8.0 New Business**

### **8.1 Joint OVHLA/UNYOC Meeting – 2012**

UNYOC – the Upstate New York and Ontario Chapter of the Medical Library Association (<http://www.unyoc.mlanet.org/index.shtml>) has been in contact with the OVHLA membership about the possibility of hosting the 2012 UNYOC conference. Having the conference located between Kingston and Ottawa was discussed. Paola Durando and Nancy Roberts agreed to collaborate on recommendations for a venue.

### **8.2 Telehosting**

Attendees agreed that all attempts will be made to hold future OVHLA meetings with a teleconference/videoconference capacity.

## **9.0 Roundtable – Items of Note**

### **9.1 CADTH**

- CADTH Symposium will be held in Vancouver in April 2011
- Shaila Mensinkai has been promoted to Director, Operations at CADTH, in charge of Information Services, Publishing, and the Project Management Office

## **9.2 Royal Ottawa Health Group**

- Women's Mental Health Initiative

## **9.3 SHRTN**

- Influence expanding, with 2800 current users in Ontario
- Brenda Legget, CDHA will be manning the Seniors Health Research Transfer Network. SHRTN Library Service - Kingston out of Providence Care 2 days a week.

## **9.4 Canadian Forces Medical Library**

- Library placed with different unit under new management
- New involvement with knowledge management

## **9.5 Bruyère Continuing Care**

- Now responsible for own library budget

## **9.6 Ottawa Hospital Library**

- Moving from research portfolio to an information services portfolio, with a new focus on information management
- Now responsible for library services at the Queensway Carleton Hospital

## **9.7 Bracken Health Sciences Library, Queens University**

- New initiatives implemented for teaching undergraduate students
- 1:1 student/librarian consultations
- Online teaching modules for first-year students

## **9.8 Canadian Dental Association**

- Shift from individual member services to larger provincial membership
- Providing online subscriptions to dental journals
- Internal move to a smaller library site, with a small collection
- Still providing ILL to other libraries

## **9.9 Health Sciences Library, University of Ottawa**

- Meghan McMeekin, a McGill student, will spend 120 hours at the library, beginning in January
- The medical school has been fully re-accredited for 8 years, a rare achievement
- New discovery tool has been launched on the library website

## **10.0 Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m. Dianne Kharouba motioned to adjourn. Laurie Scott seconded the motion.

A planned tour of the renovated University of Ottawa Health Sciences Library proceeded after the meeting.