

**North Dakota Library Association
Health Science Information Section (HSIS)
Annual Report #10
September 2008**

Barb Knight, UND Harley French Library of the Health Sciences, was appointed to serve as our Midwest Chapter/Medical Library Association State Liaison. This is a 2-year term.

HSIS made and approved changes to the HSIS Policies Handbook related to the new Midwest Chapter/MLA State Liaison position. These changes were submitted and approved by the NDLA Constitutions Bylaws & Policies Committee and the NDLA Executive Board. The changes were updated on the NDLA web site in November.

Eileen Chamberlain submitted her report on the Midwest Chapter/Medical Library Association Conference held in Omaha in October 2007. This is a requirement of recipients of the HSIS Professional Development Grant.

Theresa Norton & Marilyn Hedberg served on the HSIS Bylaws & Policies Committee. There were no additional changes other than the ones approved and changed for all sections by the NDLA Executive Board related to reimbursement.

The Nominating Committee (Joan Bares, Marilyn Hedberg, and Karen Anderson) presented our slate of candidates for 2009. The candidates were Travis Schulz, Chair-Elect; Chandra Hirning, Secretary; and Barb Knight, GMR Regional Advisory Council Representative.

The HSIS Spring Meeting was held at MeritCare Hospital, Fargo in April. Linda Schwartzwalter, Organizational Development Manager at MeritCare presented a program on communication.

Ann Pederson agreed to serve as North Dakota's Regional Coordinator for the NN/LM Disaster Preparedness & Response Plan. The National Network of Libraries of Medicine plans to assist network members in maintaining information services in the event of a disaster. HSIS libraries will continue to develop plans.

The HSIS business meeting at the annual conference will be held Friday, September 26. HSIS is sponsoring a session at the conference on Consumer Health Resources and the Go Local North Dakota project. Presenters are Karen Anderson and Mary Markland.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Chamberlain, Chair
Health Science Information Section