

NAHSL Conference, 2020
Chapter Council Report
Read by Alexandria Brackett

Changing Roles:

- Chapter Council Alternates
 - To help with transitions of responsibility, the roles of alternate and representative were staggered.
 - Holly Grossetta Nardini transitioned off her role as alternate in June, and Tim Kenny. Thank you, Holly and Tim.
 - I will be officially transitioning off in May at the MLA conference. Thank you for allowing me to represent NAHSL and all the amazing work of its membership.

Chapter Merger ad hoc committee

- Liberty Chapter of the Medical Library Association
 - The New York – New Jersey and Philadelphia Regional chapters submitted a proposal to merge into one chapter. Alexandria served

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- Discussion Topic: Potential Change to MLA Bylaws
 - The Chapters would like the “Chairs of Chapter Standing Committees” to be removed from the requirement that they are voting members of MLA.
 - Currently, the MLA bylaws read: Article XI, Section 5. Officers and Committee Chairs Officers of Chapters and Chairs of Chapter Standing Committees are required to be Voting Members of the Association.
 - It was moved to “Send a recommendation to the MLA bylaws committee that they consider dropping the requirement from the MLA bylaws that chairs of Chapter standing committees be MLA members.”
- Discussion topic: The issue of the cost of MLA membership was discussed at the meeting. Kris Alpi, MLA President (then chair-elect), informed the council that MLA is going to be conducting a needs assessment and membership value conversation. The Chapters and the Chapter Council will be stakeholders in these discussions.
 - October 13, 2021 update: Kris Alpi wrote to current members” the board voted to maintain current dues rates for 2022 and we increased the threshold for the special lower dues rate to include those earning up to \$50K per year.”

Respectfully Submitted October 25, 2021
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