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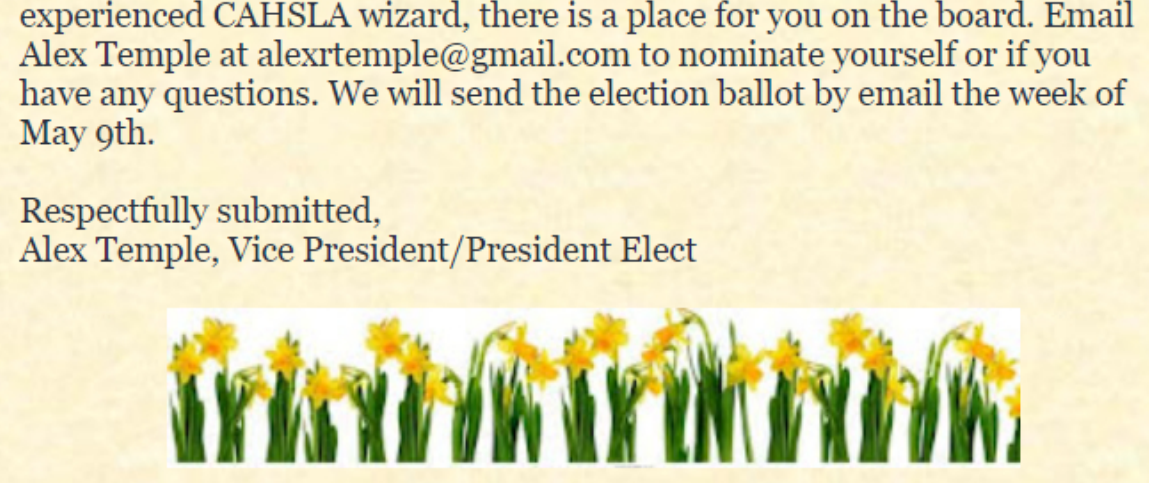
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President's Page

please consider running for an office or participating in the program committee and help continue the long tradition that is CAHSLA. I personally owe my own start in the Cincinnati library community to CAHSLA. I had mentors from the association, and I made contacts in the library where I wanted to work. It was a great feeling to go to that first interview and realize I knew people already. If you are not currently a member and are interested to participate in CAHSLA at this level, reach out to Emily Kean for membership information or Alex Temple who is heading up the nominations and election committee. CAHSLA is really a great value.

If you have not attended a CAHSLA meeting in a while, we miss you and ask you to "please come back." We have a tour of the Cincinnati Type and Print Museum coming up in May. This event will have an attendance cap, so RSVP early. And the year-end picnic is on the horizon. That is always a good time for all. Furry friends and family are welcome at the picnic too. I also invite you to reread the History of CAHSLA written by Jane Thompson, past-archivist, to gain an appreciation of the association and its contributions to the profession throughout the years.



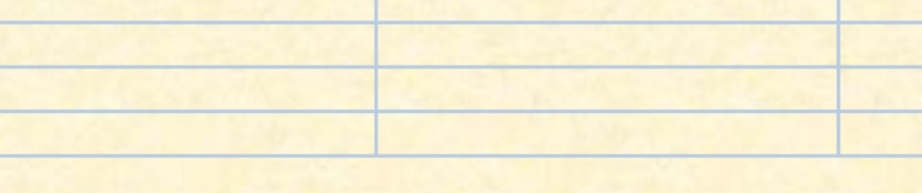
Amy Koshoffer
President

Dear CAHSLA Colleagues,
CAHSLA needs you! Are you a member in good standing? If so,

Nominations and Elections Report

Hello voting members of CAHSLA!
The current officer nominations for 2022/23 CAHSLA are: Emily Kean for vice president/president elect; Lisa McCormick for secretary; and Emily Kean for treasurer. We will still accept additional nominations for these positions until Friday May 6th. Whether you are new to CAHSLA or an experienced CAHSLA wizard, there is a place for you on the board. Email Alex Temple at alexrtemple@gmail.com to nominate yourself or if you have any questions. We will send the election ballot by email the week of May 9th.

Respectfully submitted,
Alex Temple, Vice President/President Elect



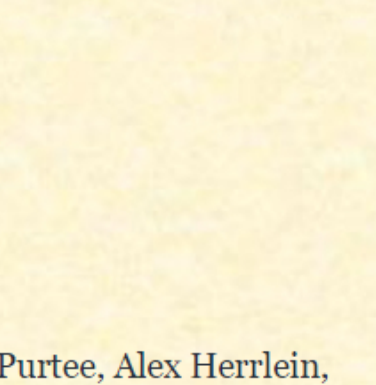
Treasurer's Report

CHECKING BALANCE	as of 12/31/2021:	\$2,262.79
CHECKING DEPOSITS		\$0.00
CHECKING DEPOSIT TOTALS		\$0.00
CHECKING WITHDRAWALS	Memorial Donation	\$51.38
CHECKING WITHDRAWAL TOTALS		\$51.38
CHECKING BALANCE	as of 04/26/2021:	\$2,211.41
CASH BALANCE	as of 12/31/2021:	\$20.00
CASH DEPOSITS	2 memberships	\$50.00
CASH WITHDRAWALS		\$0.00
CASH BALANCE	as of 04/26/2021:	\$70.00
TOTAL ASSETS	as of 04/26/2021:	\$2,281.41

MEMBERS

12 Regular (Paid)
0 Student (Paid)
12 Life Members
TOTAL 24

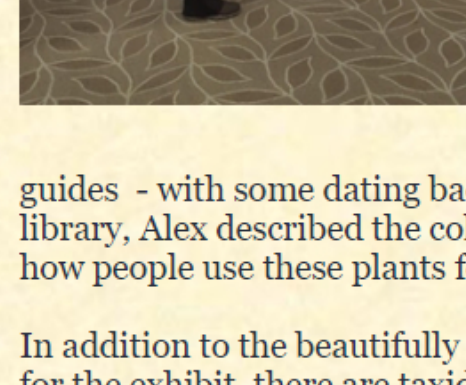
Respectfully submitted,
Emily Kean, Treasurer



Secretary's Report

Meeting Minutes

Date: April 14, 2022
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Location: Lloyd Library and Museum
Attending: Emily Kean, Edith Starbuck, Sharon Purtee, Alex Herrlein, Barbara Slavinski, Alex Temple, Lisa McCormick



We began our first in-person meeting in two years with a welcome from Emily Kean and Alex Temple. We enjoyed box lunches from Cincinnati Cooks Catering, an initiative by the Freestore Foodbank to prepare the under-employed and unemployed with job training in the culinary industry.

Alex Herrlein, Reference Librarian and Office Manager for the Lloyd Library and Museum, presented a program on the founding of the library, the library's collection focus, and the current special exhibit. "On the Wing: An Illustrated Chapter on Birds" is an exhibition focusing on one of the unique collections of the library: ornithology books and bird field guides - with some dating back to the 1600s. In his introduction to the library, Alex described the collection as primarily focused on plants and how people use these plants for food, medicine, and horticulture.

In addition to the beautifully illustrated books from the collection selected for the exhibit, there are taxidermist bird specimens - some extinct and some still around - on loan from the Cincinnati Museum Center. Also on display are contemporary paintings from twin sisters and naturalists, Alex and Shae Warnick. Shae was an artist in residence at the Lloyd in 2020.

Alex Temple led the discussion on the status of the nomination process for the upcoming election. In the course of the discussion, Emily Kean submitted her name for the position of Vice-President/President elect. Emily is willing to also run for treasurer. Lisa McCormick is willing to run for secretary.

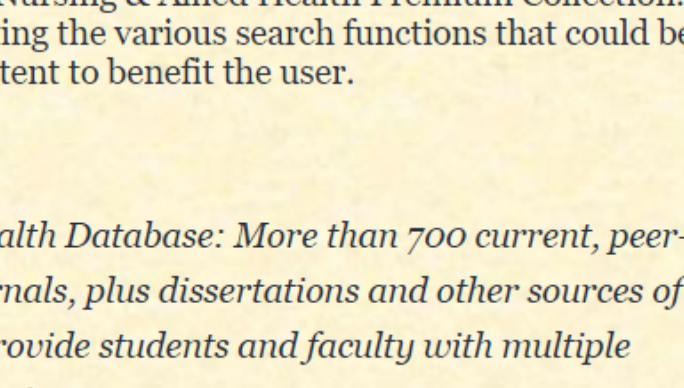
As previously noted, CAHSLA has struggled with meeting attendance and recruiting individuals to serve in leadership positions. Alex Temple will develop a survey questionnaire to elicit from the membership what they value in terms of programming or social functions. Still up for discussion is the formal structure of CAHSLA which may be impacted by the results of the survey.

Our next meeting will be at the Cincinnati Type & Print Museum located in lower Price Hill. The date is May 16th. Watch your email and RSVP promptly as there will be a limit on the number of attendees. We are still looking for a location for the end of the year picnic in June. Please submit your ideas to Alex. It was suggested that we extend a personal invitation to those CAHSLA members that have not recently attended a meeting to attend the Type Museum tour and picnic.

Membership Chair Emily Kean presented Lifetime Member Awards to Edith Starbuck and Lisa McCormick.

We had an abbreviated "round robin" discussion on local library news and library vendor developments.

The meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.



Program Meeting

March 17, 2022
3:00 - 3:35 p.m.
Location: Zoom
Attending: Amy Koshoffer, Emily Kean, Lisa McCormick, Cecil Rahe, Lisa Raney, Alex Temple

President Amy Koshoffer welcomed everyone to the meeting, and thanked Emily Kean for volunteering to present. Emily is now Senior Product Manager at ProQuest | Health Portfolio: Nursing, Medical, and Psychology. The focus of Emily's presentation was on the Health Research Premium Collection and the Nursing & Allied Health Premium Collection. Emily spent time demonstrating the various search functions that could be employed to leverage the content to benefit the user.

Content features include:

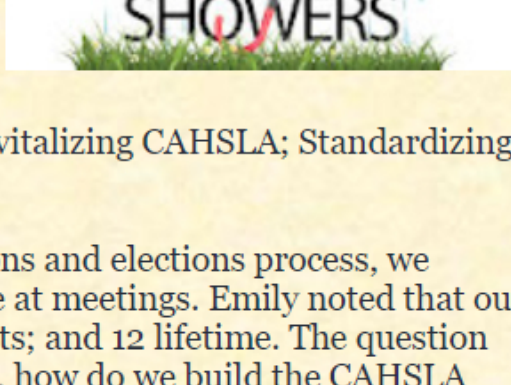
- Nursing & Allied Health Database: More than 700 current, peer-reviewed full text journals, plus dissertations and other sources of grey literature that provide students and faculty with multiple perspectives on key topics.
- Nursing Education in Video: A continuously-updated collection of over 350 full-length clinical skills videos that enable students to watch and learn best practice techniques.

Emily concluded her presentation by extending the invitation to send her an email at any time with any database questions. If she doesn't know the answer, she will contact an expert at ProQuest to find the answer.

Alex led a brief discussion on the logistics of the nominations process. Alex will work on the text of an email to invite nominations, and will run it by the Executive Committee for any tweaks.

The meeting concluded at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa McCormick, Secretary



Executive Committee Meeting

February 13, 2022
6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
Location: Zoom
Attending: Amy Koshoffer, Emily Kean, Lisa McCormick, Alex Temple

Agenda: Nominations and Elections; Revitalizing CAHSLA; Standardizing Memorial Donations

Beginning with the upcoming nominations and elections process, we discussed the current state of attendance at meetings. Emily noted that our membership stands at: 11 paid; 0 students; and 12 lifetime. The question arose: if we want people to run for office, how do we build the CAHSLA community? Past reasons for membership - group discounts on database purchases, inter-library loan reciprocity - are no longer relevant.

Alex and Emily raised the possibility that some individuals might not be receiving our email meeting notifications from the CAHSLA listserv account because the recipient's email provider flags the email as spam. Emily wondered if a special CAHSLA events email account might help. She will investigate. Additionally, it was suggested that the Executive Committee reach out to a member prior to an upcoming meeting to determine if the member received the email notification and to extend a personal invitation to attend the meeting.

Alex suggested that we might consider simplifying our meetings to having dinner or drinks after a workday to talk shop. He asked if a "standing CAHSLA happy hour" might draw some interest from the membership.

A question was raised about the time of day that we hold our meetings - weekdays after the work day - if that could be a barrier to attendance. It was suggested, after the COVID threat is lessened, that we try a breakfast or lunch get-together.

The question of CAHSLA archival documents was raised. It is believed that the cache of documents is currently residing with Sharon Purtee. Should we ask the Winkler Center to house the files? Or is there another entity we should approach to maintain the history of the organization?

It was noted, in the context of the agenda item, standardizing CAHSLA memorial donations, that there are "traditions" the way we've always done it" that are not a part of the Policies and Procedures document. It was suggested that we think about these items and develop a document that would be a part of the executive committee transition meeting when new leaders take office. Examples of these traditions include:

- ☉ A donation from CAHSLA is made to an entity that hosts us for a tour or special program
- ☉ The outgoing president of CAHSLA presents a gift to the members of the executive committee members as a thanks. These gifts are not paid for by the organization.
- ☉ We hold an annual book drive for a community organization that promotes child literacy and enjoyment of reading. Any member can nominate an organization. Typically, the call for nominations goes out in the first issue of the Chronicle and is announced at the first meeting of the new association year (September). If we received more than one nominated organization, we could conduct a vote of the membership to select the organization to receive the books.
- ☉ In the case of the death of a significant other or family member of a CAHSLA member, the Membership Chair can send a card to the member from CAHSLA. Out of respect for the member, we would not send an email to the entire membership unless we have the member's permission.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

CAHSLA Colleagues

Congratulations

Lori Harris, MLIS, was named interim associate dean of the University of Cincinnati Libraries on March 1, 2022. She continues to serve as assistant dean and director of the Donald C. Harrison Health Sciences Library and the Henry R. Winkler Center for the History of the Health Professions. Please see the Liblog for the full announcement.

News You Can Use

Kent State University Adds Medical Librarianship Concentration

Kent State University will offer a medical librarianship concentration program through its School of Information (School) starting fall 2022 as part of the MLIS degree. This 37 credit hour program prepares students to work in medical and health sciences libraries. It is the only concentration of its type in the state of Ohio, offering a combination of both online and hands-on learning opportunities. For more information, visit www.kent.edu/ISchool

OHSIA Spring Events

Spring 2022 CE Virtual Program - Friday May 13, 2022 10:00am-12:00pm Essential Searching Skills for Librarians on Systematic Review Teams Presented by Carrie Price from Towson University. Here's the link to register: <https://ohsla.info/event-4783899> the registration deadline is Thursday, May 12th, 2022. Note: you follow Carrie Price on Twitter @carriep1078 for her experiences, tips, and discussions or systematic reviews, user-centered design, evidence-based searching, and more. Also, you might want to visit Carrie's YouTube channel for her "Five Minute Fridays" and "Search School Debriefs."

Spring Business Meeting - Friday, May 20, 2022, 10:00 am - 11:30 am (no registration required; meeting link will be provided later via email). We will vote on proposed changes of the bylaws so we need your participation.

NLM Launches SARS-CoV-2 Variants Overview

"The National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) at the National Library of Medicine (NLM) has released a new resource, called the SARS-CoV-2 Variants Overview that aggregates data related to SARS-CoV-2 variants from sequences available in NCBI's GenBank and Sequence Read Archive (SRA) databases."

The Overview, a freely available online dashboard, "was developed with guidance from the TRACE Working Group as part of NLM's participation in the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Accelerating COVID-19 Therapeutic Interventions and Vaccines (ACTIV) initiative, a public-private partnership for a coordinated research strategy to support and speed up the development of COVID-19 treatments and vaccines."

Open Access - A 2022 Perspective

In 2002, the BOAI published its statement on freely distributing the results of research in scholarly publications without cost for the public good.

From the Conference, we have a definition of open access: "By 'open access' to this literature, we mean its free availability on the public internet, permitting any users to read, download, copy, distribute, print, search, or link to the full texts of these articles, crawl them for indexing, pass them as data to software, or use them for any other lawful purpose, without financial, legal, or technical barriers other than those inseparable from gaining access to the internet itself. The only constraint on reproduction and distribution, and the only role for copyright in this domain, should be to give authors control over the integrity of their work and the right to be properly acknowledged and cited."

The guiding principles of BOAI and evolving mechanisms to achieve the goals - authors' self-archiving of research articles and the establishment of open access journals - has met with some success, and yet has opened a Pandora's Box of challenges - pay to publish fees and predatory journals immediately come to mind.

A.J. Boston, Scholarly Communication Librarian for Murray State University in southwestern Kentucky, published an opinion piece "course correction" for moving Open Access forward on the April 26, 2022 Scholarly Kitchen Blog. Boston's "unorthodox strategy" does not "enable open access. Instead, it simply enables access, enough for an institution's own users plus an equal share for the rest of the world." In a nutshell, Boston is looking to establish some semblance of equity which, in Boston's opinion, has not been achieved since the 2002 statement of BOAI.

Librarian Helps Save Family from Drowning

The headline: Phoenix police officer makes water rescue with wife during ride-along was eye catching, but it wasn't until the very last sentence that it was revealed that Allison Maleckis' day job is that of librarian. Read the story for full details of how Allison responded along with her police-sergeant husband to an emergency call of a family - including a 3 year old toddler - trapped in their overturned car which landed in a canal full of water.

100 Best Science Books of All Time

The BookAuthority which "collects the most recommended books on business, technology and science" as featured on CNN, Inc. and Forbes announced in December that it has developed its list of the 100 Best Science Books of All Time. The books on the list have been identified by "thought leaders and experts." Each book on the list contains a brief synopsis, bibliographic information, and a "recommended by" attribution.



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