

LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
MEDICAL LIBRARIES SECTION
VICTORIAN GROUP

Executive Committee Minutes (5/87)

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting (Victorian Group) held at 5.30pm on Monday 15th June 1987 in the Medical Library, Alfred Hospital.

1. Present: Veronica Delafosse, Andrew Rooke, Susan McNair, Enid Meldrum, Jocelyn Dixon, Sandra Russell, Jean Leith.

2. Apologies: No apologies.

3. Minutes from the previous meeting: The Minutes of the meeting held 18th May 1987 were taken as read.

4. Business arising from the Minutes:

A note has been sent to former members of the Medical Libraries Section, Victorian Group, whose names no longer appear on the current membership list. Follow-up phone calls will be made once Head Office has clarified their LAA membership status, as distinct from their section status.

Sue McNair is to investigate whether folding and stapling our newsletter, instead of placing it within an envelope, will involve any special arrangements with Australia Post.

5. Additional correspondence

Date	From	To	Subject
11.6.87	AMLG (ACT Branch)	Secretary	AAHLIS
12.6.87	MLS (NSW Group)	" "	Minutes
12.6.87	Director-General, NLA	" "	Duplicates List

6. Treasurer's Report

The current balance for section activities is \$146.00.

Copies of the Booklist are selling steadily. Sales to the value of \$1817.19 have so far been recorded.

7. Branch Council Report Meeting held 10.6.87.

Branch Council is waiting to hear our requirements for nationally funded CE activities for 1988. Tentative proposals are all that is needed at this stage. It was decided to propose a 1 day seminar/workshop around the topic of management/negotiating skills.

Action: Enid Meldrum to ring Bruce Davidson of our decision.

It was decided to proceed with the idea of requesting Branch Council to investigate, with Head Office, the formula for dispersion of funds to the sections. Action: Sandra Russell to bring the matter to the attention of the Branch at the next meeting.

Mention was made of a rumour circulating to the effect that AGPS would soon be on a fully commercial basis, i.e. they would publish only where full cost recovery was assured. We will await further details.

8. Booklist - It was suggested that copies of the advertising flyer for the Booklist could be placed in the satchels for the Adelaide Conference. Action: Veronica Delafosse to contact Jan Heath.
9. Quality Assurance: The Working Party is due to meet again shortly. Nothing further to report at this stage.
10. Section Funding. As discussed under Branch Council report, Sandra Russell is to bring the matter up at the next Branch meeting. The idea of a petition, organised by Branch Council, to cover all members in Victoria, was raised. Such a petition, coming from the total Victorian membership, would have much more strength than one from the Medical Libraries Section only.
11. Speakers for 1987 meetings. Arrangements for Fiona Picken in September are in hand. Accommodation for September 24th, 25th, and 26th September will be organised at Alfred House (formerly Chevron Hotel). Enid Meldrum and Jean Leith will undertake transport to and from the airport. Her talk to our group will be at Prince Henry's Hospital, on the 25th September, and entitled "Medical librarianship in the 80's and beyond:my world perspective", and we will request emphasis on the comparison between the different countries she has visited. A \$2.00 entry fee will be charged to defray the costs of refreshments. Monash Univ.Graduate School of Librarianship have also expressed interest in hearing her talk. Thursday 24th September may be a suitable date, in which case, we may be able to request some help with expenses. Jenny Waddell from HEAPS is to speak to us on 23rd July at the John Lindell Library.
12. Gratis scheme for Victoria: In view of the likelihood of an increase in the cost of inter-library loans, it was decided to act upon Elisabeth Giddy's (RWH) suggestion, and canvass our members again. Action: Enid Meldrum to contact Elisabeth regarding a statement of what would be involved in such a scheme for Victoria, and a questionnaire to assess the response. The statement/questionnaire could be circulated with the next Newsletter (approx.August), and replies/enquiries could be to Elisabeth.
13. Other business Christmas party: It was decided that we could not afford a Christmas party such as we had last year. Therefore, instead of a cocktail party in expensive surroundings, an informal meal in a large enough function room of a Chinese, Japanese, Lebanese, or Greek restaurant was suggested. Action: Jean Leith to assess entries in "Cheap Eats in Melbourne", and ring a few places, preferably on the perimeter of the city, to enable easier parking.

Officer bearers for 1988: The call for nominations will appear in the August Newsletter, with ballot papers in the November issue, responses to be within a fortnight, enabling replies to Head Office in early December.

13. Other business, contd.

Deputy for Veronica Delafosse in September/October: Andrew Rooke and Enid Meldrum will deputise for Veronica in her absence overseas.

CE activities: as discussed under Branch Council report.

14. Date of next meeting: Wednesday August 26th at 5.30pm, unless urgent matters arise, in which case a meeting before the start of the HEAPS meeting on 23rd July will be organised.
The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

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