

## ALIA

**HEALTH LIBRARIES SECTION - VICTORIAN BRANCH**

Minutes of the meeting of 9 August 1994

Present: Lisa Belkin (in the Chair), Suzanne O'Callaghan, Peter Nunn, Andrew Rooke, Sandra Russell, Jan Reiher, Adam Clarke

1. **APOLOGIES:** David Lloyd, Dorothea Rowse

2. **INVITED:** Josephine Marshall

3. Minutes of the meeting for 12 July 1994 were confirmed.

4. **PROGRAMME:**

4.1 Suggested a joint meeting be organised between the Medical Infomatics group and the Victorian Health Libraries Section during 1995.

4.2 A proposal is to be received from Michael Clarebrough, Occupational Consulting Services regarding the organisational politics seminar. A venue for the seminar is to be determined. The seminar is scheduled for October.

4.3 An inter-library loan document delivery seminar is to be organised to occur during November. Country librarians will be encouraged to attend this seminar.

4.4 The AGM and Christmas cocktails will be held on the 9th December. A tentative booking has been made at the St Kilda Pier for this occasion.

5. **NEWSLETTER**

5.2 Deadline for September issue is the 26 August.  
Andrew is working on Internet issues for newsletter.  
Suzanne to monitor ethics/patient access to information issues in the USA for newsletter coverage.

6. **TREASURERS REPORT**

6.1 Balance = \$3100  
Profit from Internet Seminar = \$500  
Cost to CSIRO for Seminar = \$7000  
Treasurers' workshop cancelled due to lack of interest.  
Grants are available from Vic Branch. Discussion over possible areas for grant support occurred, to be followed up by Andrew and Lisa when more detail is available on programme activities.

7. **VIC BRANCH COUNCIL REPORT**

- 7.1 Competency Standards workshops are being organised by Vic Branch during August.
- 7.2 *Branch Out* the Vic Branch newsletter will be issued 3 times a year and distributed with *Incite*.

8. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- 8.1 Various items were discussed as outlined in the Agenda.
- 8.2 On behalf of the group all members of the Victorian Health Libraries Section were sent a letter regarding the vote on Hospital Library Standards.
- 8.3 National Allied Health Casemix Committee have not responded to our correspondence requesting information on their activities.

9. **STATISTICS**

- 9.1 Adam has taken over responsibility for statistics and will be distributing the statistics questionnaire with the next issue of *Health Inform*.

10. **OTHER BUSINESS**

- 10.1 There is concern that the Hospital Library Standards are not ready for publication. The legality of the voting paper as distributed by Ian Stubbin for ratification of the National Minimum Standards for Hospital Libraries was also questioned. To be followed up by Lisa.
- 10.2 Jo Marshall represented the Section for discussions on the International Congress on Medical Librarianship bid for the year 2000 in Sydney. The National Health Libraries Section submitted a bid without the acknowledgement of our Section, this occurred as a result of inadequate communication and delay in receipt of the National office's meeting reports. Serious concern was expressed by the group over the viability of such a bid given the constraints of hosting such a congress in Sydney when the Olympic Games will be underway.
- 10.3 ACLIS Special Libraries Advocacy Project: Working Group report is attached to the minutes.
- 10.4 Nomination forms for positions on the Executive Committee for 1995 will be included as inserts in the next issue of *Health Inform*.