

**Consortium of Southern Biomedical Libraries (CONBLS)
Southern Chapter Annual Meeting – Luncheon Meeting – Fred’s at Renaissance Vinoy
St. Petersburg, FL
November 15, 2010**

Chair, Sandra Franklin, called the meeting to order. Copies of the agenda and a list of attendees (32) were distributed.

Franklin thanked Judy Burnham for her organization of the 2010 CONBLS retreat in Mobile, AL. Suresh Ponnappa moved and Ruth Riley seconded that the minutes from the April 2010 Retreat Business Meeting be approved. They were approved.

The Treasurer’s Report was presented by Fatima Barnes, incoming Treasurer. (See attached.) The beginning balance was \$7472.46 and the ending balance was \$9299.88. Barnes thanked Ponnappa, outgoing Treasurer for his assistance in preparing the report.

Ponnappa was presented with an Appreciation Award thanking him for his ten years of service as CONBLS Treasurer.

The CONBLS Nominating Committee, Mary Moore as Chair, Tom Singarella and Frances Lynch announced the following slate for new officers:

Chair – Nadine Dexter

Chair Elect – Suresh Ponnappa

Tom Singarella moved that the slate be accepted and David King seconded. The motion was approved.

Franklin noted that only one-half of CONBLS members had submitted data for the Salary Survey. She also noted that at the Retreat CONBLS members confirmed that they did want to continue with the Salary Survey. The deadline has been extended to Nov 24 and members should let Tom Basler know if they do not plan to submit data. It was noted that some may not have received the original e-mail.

CONBLS archival materials from MUSC will join archives at UAB. Franklin expressed CONBLS’ appreciation to Scott Plutchak and his staff for their willingness to house the CONBLS archives.

Franklin announced future retreat locations:

2012 – University of Central Florida

2014 – Meharry Medical College

Announcements

Nadine Dexter reported on the Florida Consortium of Academic Libraries of Medicine, FCALM, whose mission is to provide a collaborative approach for supporting education, research and patient care services across the spectrum of Florida’s academic biomedical and health programs. The goals are to Work to conserve funds and eliminate duplication by identifying areas of active collaboration including collection development, development of instructional resources, consumer health information and continuity of service planning (mutual aid agreement)

Franklin reminded members about the Print Retention project conducted by NNLM/SE/A and directed members to the SEA Currents posting for more information. A spreadsheet has been developed listing unique holdings (3 or fewer holding libraries in the region) and PubMed Central holdings. A Committee will develop a model MOU regarding retention of print journals at an institution. The goal is that NLM will not be the only holder of record, but instead there will be 1-2 libraries in each region. The MOU will formalize institutional retention decisions. Janice Kelly has said the committee work will be completed in 2011.

Based on prior CONBLS minutes, Franklin listed the following committees for 2010-2011:

Ad Hoc Oral History Committee

Dave Boilard, Chair

Jan LaBeause, Barbara Shearer

Distinguished Library Award

Judy Burnham, Chair

Fatima Barnes, Barbara Shearer, Cathy
Moeller

Franklin asked any volunteers for the Nominating Committee (2011-2012 officers) to contact her. Franklin passed the gavel to CONBLS Chair 2010-2011, Nadine Dexter. A plaque was given to Franklin for her service as 2009-2010 Chair.

In the time remaining, a few directors reported on developments/ changes at their institutions, recognizing that all reported at the April retreat. Singarella polled the group via show of hands with a series of questions that indicated budget concerns among the group, especially at the state institutions. He suggested a survey, similar to the hard times survey from AAHSL, might be in order for CONBLS.

NOTE: After the meeting, Irma Quinones sent news from the University of Puerto Rico that was shared via e-mail.

The luncheon meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Judy Burnham, CONBLS Secretary

CONBLS LUNCHEON ATTENDEES
Monday, November 15, 2010, Noon – 1:30 PM
Fred's at the Renaissance Vinoy

ALABAMA

University of Alabama at Birmingham
T. Scott Plutchak

University of South Alabama
Judy Burnham
Jie Li
Justin Robertson

FLORIDA

University of Miami Miller
Suzy Burrows
Brenda Linares
Emily Vardell

University of Florida
Nancy Schaefer

University of South Florida
Beverly Shattuck
Rose Bland

Florida State University
Suzanne Nagy

Florida International University
David W. Boilard
Maria Melssen
Francisco Fajardo

University of Central Florida
Nadine Dexter
Deedra Walton
Shalu Gillum

GEORGIA

Emory University
Sandra Franklin

Medical College of Georgia
David King

GEORGIA

Mercer University School of Medicine
no representative

Morehouse School of Medicine
Joe Swanson
Sisi Arango

MISSISSIPPI

University of Mississippi Medical Center
Susan Clark

PUERTO RICO

University of Puerto Rico
no representative

SOUTH CAROLINA

Medical University of South Carolina
Randall Watts

University of South Carolina
Ruth Riley
Guest – Dr. Robert Sabalis, LCME
Assistant Secretary, conference speaker
Guest – Fay Towell, Greenville
Hospital System

TENNESSEE

East Tennessee State University
Suresh Ponnappa
Rick Wallace

Meharry Medical College
M. Fatima Mncube-Barnes

University of Tennessee Health Science Center
Tom Singarella
Paul Gahn

Vanderbilt University Medical Center
Marcia Epelbaum