



are benefits for those who would only need to travel for one meeting. There is also the possibility to draw new members.

- HLABC's annual continuing education opportunity will be the CHLA conference.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Please submit topics of interest for the Spring meeting to the executive	All	

**Agenda item:** HLABC Forum

**Presenter:**

**Discussion:**

- A big thank you to Krista Clement for her past work on the Forum and her willingness to continue to serve as the production editor.
- The Forum will now be published twice per year in the fall and spring instead of 4 issues and the focus will be as a tool for professional development rather than a conduit for association business (which will continue to be disseminated via the discussion list and website).
- Teresa Lee has volunteered to edit the spring 2006 issue. We need to identify an editor for the fall 2005 issue.
- Ideas for columns include blogs, technology, new products, journal clubs, web watch, management, grey literature, who's who and what's what, and so on. Eugene Barsky volunteers to write a technology column.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Recruit an editor for the fall 2005 issue	Executive	ASAP
✓ Put out a call for columnists on the discussion list.	Executive	ASAP
✓ Volunteer to edit an issue or write a column or article.	All	

**Agenda item:** Membership

**Presenter:** Teresa Prior for Anne Allgaier

**Discussion:**

Membership is currently low compared to past years. A general call for renewals has gone out on the list, but some people are unsure as to their renewal status. There is some urgency due to the upcoming publication of the membership directory.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Send out individual renewal notices to non-renewed members.	Anne Allgaier	ASAP

**Agenda item:** CHLA Reports – conference and board liaison

**Presenter:** Cathy Rayment / Charlotte Beck

**Discussion:**

The conference committee is in full gear. The conference will be held at the Marriott Hotel downtown. Calls for papers and posters have been issued and the keynote speakers have been selected. The conference website is up and electronic registration will be in place. In light of the anniversary of the association, a historical blog has been set up. CE workshops including copyright, cool tools, clinical librarianship, health literacy, networking, grey literature, health statistics, bioinformatics, consumer health, advanced PubMed skills, evidence librarianship and chapter leadership are being pursued.

Charlotte will be attending the board meeting next week. The National Network of Libraries for Health has been busy through the summer. A meeting with key stakeholders was held to solicit buy-in and support. An RFP closing the end of October has been issued for a consultant to coordinate a business plan.

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**Agenda item:** Library news around BC

**Presenter:** Various

**Discussion:**

- e-HIBC [Karen MacDonell]; This is a provincial initiative of the BC Academic Health Council for electronic access via journal aggregators. A negotiating team has been struck to approach 2 selected vendors. A business case will be written and presented to high level decision makers in the health authorities by the end of November. Post-secondary institutions will be approached soon after. This is the first of a 3 phase project and there is much excitement that things are becoming more concrete. There will be some impact on decisions to cancel print subscriptions depending on the vendor selected. For example, EBSCO has a 12 month embargo on current articles.
- UBC expanded medical program [Charlotte Beck]: there is a new virtual reference service as posted to the list by Kristina McDavid. Charlotte will send out postcards promoting the service.
- The UBC Biomedical Branch Library [Dean Giustini]; will be relocating to the Academic Ambulatory Care Centre at the corner of 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Oak Street – 2<sup>nd</sup> floor above Starbucks. A Vancouver Coastal Health consumer library will be located on the main floor.
- Sue Abzinger will be retiring from the Fraser Health Region at the end of October and an opening for her position is now posted. A retirement brunch is planned for a weekend date in November. HLABC members will be notified via the discussion list.

**Action items**

**Person responsible**

**Deadline**

- ✓ Coordinate a position on print subscription cancellation and include in the Forum.

Shannon Long

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**Agenda item:** Tribute to Bill Fraser

**Presenter:** Teresa Prior

**Discussion:**

Bill Fraser, a friend and mentor to many HLABC members passed away recently. A service will be held in Victoria on Saturday November 5. There was considerable discussion regarding what would be a fitting tribute from HLABC. There is already a SLAIS award in his honour. One of his key contributions was his emphasis on people skills and the human side of librarianship, and his warmth, openness and continued giving to the profession. Options discussed include an award for a student or recent graduate new to health librarianship, or renaming the HLABC travel grant in his honour. His true legacy is the work he did on behalf of hospital libraries and librarians. Judy Neill is compiling condolences from the discussion list to share with the family.

**Action items**

**Person responsible**

**Deadline**

- ✓ Explore logistics of establishing some type of award in honour of Bill Fraser.

Dean Giustini

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**Agenda item:** Thank you to the BC Cancer Agency for hosting and teleconferencing tonight's event

**Presenter:** Karen MacDonell

**Discussion:**

Thanks were extended to Sarah, Jennifer, Beth and Cathy for the arrangements for tonight's event. A box of chocolates was purchased by HLABC as a thank you gift for the technicians.

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**Agenda item:** Meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM

**Presenter:**