

Mid-Year Report: Public Services Section

Goal 1: Recruitment, Membership and Leadership in the Profession

PSS promotes mentorship and leadership opportunities within MLA by sending welcome emails to each new member.

Goal 2: Life Long Learning

The Public Services Section is sponsoring a contributed paper session at MLA 2012; hitting the Ball Out of the Park: Reaching New Audiences. Our co-sponsors are Osteopathic SIG and LGBT SIG. PSS is a co-sponsor of Bioinformatics: Librarians role in training and research. The Medical Informatics Section is the sponsor.

Goal 3: Advocacy

PSS will offer two MLA annual meeting travel stipends to current members of PSS and MLA. The travel stipend supports the value of quality health information by increasing professional contacts, projects, and involvement for the recipients and expands the pool of active members of PSS. The Recipients of the awards will be determined by a jury made up of the Chair of PSS and at least two other PSS members.

Goal 4: Creating and Communicating Our Knowledge

The Public Services Section supports members' use of advanced information technologies by sharing knowledge on expert searching by moderating the Expert Searching Listserv and the PSS listserv. Messages are posted discussing expert searching questions, techniques and issues.

- **PSS:** http://pss.mlanet.org/mailman/listinfo/pss_pss.mlanet.org
- **Expert Searching:** http://pss.mlanet.org/mailman/listinfo/expertsearching_pss.mlanet.org

Goal 5: Building a Network of Partners

PSS members will review, revise and revitalize recruitment and membership materials, including but not limited to, brochures and the Section web site.

Motion

This report is informational and requires no action by the Board of Directors.

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