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(Part 2 Chapter Highlights – The next ten years From the Minutes)

September 19, 1981 – The meeting was held in Denver, CO. Karen Butter, MCMLA’s first Chapter Council Representative, reports on first Chapter Council Meeting held in June at the MLA Meeting in Montreal. The Express will be published quarterly in February, May, August, and November with suppls as needed. Patrick Brennen, Chair.

October 29, 1982 – The meeting was held in Kansas City, MO. Membership Committee published a recruitment brochure. Legislature Committee members will prepare state fact sheets to assist in state lobbying efforts. South Dakota changes RML affiliation to the Midwest Chapter but MCMLA members remain loyal to the Midcontinental Chapter. Gary Byrd, Chair.

September 23, 1983 – The meeting was held in Park City, UT. “Medical Libraries – Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow” The first MCMLA Outstanding Achievement Award was received by Priscilla Mayden with three special editions presented to Dr. Frank Rogers, Bernice Hetzner, and Dr. Estelle Brodman. Cynthia Fedders, Chair.

October 19, 1984 – The meeting was held in Omaha, NE. The formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to study development of a consultant service within the region was announced. An award was established in memory of Barbara McDowell. Wayne Peay, Chair.

October 3, 1985 – The meeting was held in St. Louis, MO. “Gateways ‘85” The name of the Legislative Committee was changed to the Government Relations Committee. MCMLA calendar year changed to coincide with the MLA year. The RML/Liaison Committee was disbanded. Part of the past presidents role will be to revise and update the chapter procedure manual. Carolyn Anne Reid, Chair.

September 5, 1986 – The joint meeting with the Pacific Northwest Chapter was held in Jackson Hole, WY. “On the Leading Edge” Revisions to the Bylaws were accepted by the membership. MCMLA was reported to have 241 members. MCMLA initiates a strategic planning process. Bonnie Mack, Chair.

October 2, 1987 – The meeting was held in Wichita, KS. “The Librarian as Entrepreneur” Claire Gladzikowski appointed the first Executive Secretary of the Chapter. Membership Committee worked on a way to recognize Continuous Chapter Membership and develop New Member Information Packets. Joan M. Stoddart, Chair.

September 29, 1988 – The meeting was held in Breckenridge, CO. “Taking Control: Developing Strategic Alternatives” It was voted to expend $250 to develop a new logo for MCMLA. 230 MCMLA Members accounted for an overall increase of 1% in membership. This was the first mention of the Research Idea Team. Margaret Bandy, Chair.
October 6, 1989 – The meeting was held in Kansas City, MO. “Past is Prologue” Bylaws changes would pave the way for Chapter incorporation as a not-for-profit organization. A future dues increase may be considered. The Research Idea Team remains an ad hoc committee. Scott Plutchak, Editor, reported that the Express was the only Chapter newsletter being produced with desktop publishing software. Mary Helms, Chair.

September 21, 1990 – The joint meeting with the Pacific Northwest Chapter was held in Seattle, WA. “Coming of Age in the 21st Century” Meeting discussion focused on the financial status of the Chapter. Membership in attendance unanimously supported a dues increase to $15. A dues mail ballot would follow the Annual Meeting for a vote on the increase. The new Chapter banner, produced by the Membership Committee, was officially dedicated. Kathleen McCloskey, Chair.

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