CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article 1.   The name of the association shall be the Manitoba Health Libraries Association

Article 2.   The purpose of the Manitoba Health Libraries Association shall be to promote the provision of quality library service to the health community in Manitoba by communication and mutual assistance.

Article 3.   Membership shall be open to all persons or institutions interested in the aims of the Association.

Article 4.   The business of the Association shall be conducted and managed by the Executive Committee.

Article 5   The executive shall consist of a President, Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer. The Vice-President and the Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected for a 2 year term. The President shall be elected for 1 year. Each officer may be re-elected once with a limit of two consecutive terms of office. The retiring President shall serve on the executive board in ex officio for the year following his/her selected term of office. All elections shall be held at the Spring meeting. If there is a vacancy the Executive shall invite a member to serve out the elected term of office.

Article 6   There shall be three meetings of the membership annually, to be held in the Fall, Winter and Spring.

Article 7   The fiscal year of the Association shall be June 1 through May 31.

Article 8   The annual membership fee of the Association shall be $2.00 to be paid by institutions at the Spring meeting. Individuals may also pay $2.00 for a personal membership.

Article 9   The Executive shall have the power to appoint committees.

Article 10   Each paying member of the Association shall have one vote for each vacant position and the candidate(s) with the highest number of votes shall be declared elected until all vacancies are filled.

Article 11   Proposals to amend this constitution or formulate policies shall be voted on by member institutions. Advanced notice of such proposals shall be given to all members by mail. A majority of those voting shall be required to carry any amendment.