

NMRT Board Member Progress Report

1. Office Name: Leadership Director

2. Office Term: 2011-2013

3. What kind of interaction have you had with your committees thus far this year? What support have you been able to provide them?

I supervise 6 committees (Online Discussion Forum, Shirley Olofson, 3M/NMRT Professional Development Grant, Endnotes, Marshall Cavendish Essay Contest, and Annual Program). I have maintained close contact with all of my committee chairs to ensure that their committee responsibilities are fulfilled according to the Handbook guidelines.

It's been a rocky year for several committees; the budgets for the 3M/NMRT Professional Development Grant and Marshall Cavendish Essay Contest have been called into question because of loss of sponsorship, the Shirley Olofson committee experienced technological difficulties with their application submissions, the Annual Program committee has struggled to gain momentum, and the 3M/NMRT Committee has had several unresponsive members. I have supported the committee chairs in all of these issues, sometimes writing or co-writing board proposals to effect the necessary changes, and serving as liaison with other members of the NMRT Board (Secretary, President, Vice-President/President-Elect, and Treasurer) as necessary. I am also temporarily helping the chair of the Marshall Cavendish as she is currently out on maternity leave.

4. What would you still like to accomplish in your office before the end of your term?

I would like for the Handbook entries for all of my committees to be fully updated by the end of my term. I would also like to see permanent arrangements made for the funding of the Marshall Cavendish and 3M/NMRT Professional Grant committees.

5. Date of report: February 3, 2012

6. Submitted by: Megan Hodge