NMRT Board Member Progress Report

1. **Office Name:** NMRT Networking Director

2. **Office Term (Date: Ex. 2005-2006):** 2011-2012

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

   My main interactions with my committees have been with Midwinter Social, providing only encouragement, moral support, and logistical direction as well as the personal final payment for the actual event on site. The chair of MW Social, Melissa Barger Brisbin, handled the bulk of the work herself with help from one other member of this much-jumbled committee. Kudos go to Melissa for pulling off such a spectacular and well-attended event.

   I’ve also been communicating with Bridget Schumacher, chair of Membership Pavilions Committee, as she reworks the Handbook duties. MP is in flux (as always!) and some of the remaining items on the timeline are out of date. We’ve been clearing up inconsistencies and talking through how MP should work with other committees, primarily Orientations, in the future. We’ve also been in talks with Linda Crook regarding the usual $500 budget for MP, which hasn’t regularly been used in the past few years, and whether those funds should be allocated elsewhere in NMRT. We’re hoping to transfer them to scholarship funding.

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

   I would like to complete as best we can a more polished and accurate Handbook for Membership Pavilions that reflects current and future practice with a focus on best practices for inter-committee communications, and I would like to ensure the transfer of budgeted funds to where they should best be allocated. I believe that that currently is in scholarship funding for NMRT.

5. **Date of report:** 2/23/12

6. **Submitted by:** Julie Kane