MLA BOARD REPORTS

Office held/Chair of: MLA Focus Editor

Reported By: Sarah Creech, Co-Editor

Date: 4/10/19

Progress or Successes since our last meeting: FOCUS still published 6 times per year in February, April, June, August, October, and December. Regularly receive upwards of 200 views for each newsletter. Twenty additional email addresses on Smore account for those not subscribed to WIRED.

New Issues: Co-Editor Alice Ebi Kestler’s last issue of FOCUS will be June, 2019. If anyone on the board knows of someone who would be a good fit, please ask them to reach out to Sarah or Alice at the conference, or email mlafocuseditor@gmail.com. Alice’s role of co-editor included reaching out to regular contributors, interest groups, the MLA president, affiliates, and more to solicit articles and updates. Alice then uploads the files to the Focus google drive for editing. This division of work can be tweaked to best fit the new co-editor’s strengths.

Board Action Requested: None at this time.

Other Comments: Interested to see how the integration of Star Chapter (if approved by the board) will affect FOCUS in terms of producing and distributing the newsletter. Will also look in to how we can better promote FOCUS to the membership.

Financial Report: FY 2018 budget: $59.00 for Smore Account

Amount spent: $59.00 for Smore Account