

**Miami Valley Health Information Management Association  
(MVHIMA)  
General Membership Meeting, October 25, 2008  
Good Samaritan North Health Center, Dayton, Ohio**

The meeting was called to order by Georgia Overholser, RHIT, President and President-Elect, at approximately 12:30pm. She introduced and recognized the Board of Directors for 2008-2009 to those present: Chandra Fenton, RHIT; Treasurer; Janice White, RHIT, CTR, Director, Fall Seminar and Project Leaders Erin Truter, RHIA and Gina DeLong; Julie Hamiel, RHIT, Director, Spring Seminar and Project Leader Susan Plake, RHIT; Renee Schmitz, RHIT, CCS, HCS-D, Director, Membership; Laura Vondenhuevel, RHIT, CTR, Director, Professional Imaging/Networking; and Karla Sirotnik, Student Liaison. Georgia thanked all the board members for their continued efforts with the local association and encouraged all present to join the board of directors.

Janice thanked everyone for their support of MVHIMA and their attendance at the Fall Seminar. She also appreciated everyone's help getting the seminar together and that it wouldn't have been a success without it. Julie reported that the tentative date for the spring seminar will be the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in April 2008. Renee reported that after the membership drive, there are currently 102 members, 30 of those being student members. She is continuing to update the database at this time. Laura reported that the website, [www.mvhima.org](http://www.mvhima.org), has been updated and will be the place to check for updates on the seminars and membership renewal. She also encouraged members to visit the Communities of Practice (CoP) at [www.ahima.org](http://www.ahima.org) to network with others and keep up-to-date on the latest issues in the HIM field. Any new credentials, graduations, or celebrations can be passed along to her for inclusion on the website. Karla reported that she gave the presentation to the students at Sinclair and it was received very well. She is currently working with Sinclair and MVHIMA in regards to the new online program and getting those students in touch with their local association or if they are allowed to join MVHIMA.

No old business was presented for discussion.

Georgia presented the MVHIMA Lifetime Achievement Award to Barbara Wallace, MBA, RHIA, who will be retiring from Sinclair Community College in June 2009. Barb was previously the Department Chair of the Health Information Management Department at Sinclair and has been teaching there since 1976, coming on full time in 1993. She was recognized for her dedication to the education and development of many of the HIM professionals in MVHIMA and will be truly missed.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:00 pm by Georgia Overholser, RHIT.