

**MUSIC LIBRARY ASSOCIATION  
BCC METADATA SUBCOMMITTEE  
Business Meeting Summary  
Philadelphia, PA – February 12, 2011**

The BCC Metadata Subcommittee held a 60 minute business meeting at the MLA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA, on February 12, 2011. 8 of 11 Subcommittee members were in attendance, along with 15 guests.

Subcommittee members James Mason, Reneé McBride, Felicia Piscitelli, and Becky Thompson completed their service and were warmly thanked for their valuable contributions. The subcommittee's table at the MLA conference "speed dating" session designed to match MLA members with service opportunities of interest to them was a great success, resulting in a number of subcommittee applicants. Following the MLA annual meeting, the Metadata Subcommittee welcomed new members Peter Hirsch (New York Public Library), Deb Kulczak (University of Arkansas), Molly O'Brien (Binghamton University), and Ann Shaffer (University of Oregon).

The primary discussion topic of the subcommittee meeting was specific plans for distributing a survey to the MLA membership and beyond regarding community needs for an online Music Metadata Clearinghouse. The survey was distributed soon after the close of the annual meeting, data analysis is expected to be performed in spring 2011, and the first parts of the Clearinghouse available online before the 2012 MLA annual meeting.

The subcommittee business meeting closed with discussion of possible committee activities, including promoting knowledge of the utility of RDA as a metadata element set in addition to as cataloging rules, guidelines for how (and when) to apply specific content standards to specific metadata structure standards, and promoting knowledge of metadata implementation best practices in addition to knowledge at a technical level of various metadata formats.