



Academic Libraries of Indiana Annual Members Meeting, May 10, 2007, at the Indiana Wesleyan Conference Center (Indianapolis), 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

This year's **Academic Libraries of Indiana Annual Members Meeting** promises to be one of the best yet. The ALI Board of Directors has made every effort for this conference to be the best meetings of the year for professional development and gaining insight about trends and emerging patterns in academic librarianship.

The meeting is Thursday, May 10, at the Indiana Wesleyan Conference Center (Indianapolis), beginning at 9:30 a.m. There is **no** registration fee, and there is ample free parking. A buffet lunch is included. There are many motels in the area for those who want to come in the night before the conference.

Under separate cover, a booklet of program materials has been sent to each ALI member library director to peruse. These readings span the conference topics that Indiana's academic library directors will want to talk about with colleagues in lively discussion. See the Agenda at <http://ali.bsu.edu/memberminutes/Agenda05-10-07.pdf>.

Session 1. Resource Sharing

Information and conversation with librarians to help library directors understand more about resource sharing technology, such as ILLiad, Odyssey, Ariel, and more.

Session 2. Digitization Projects

Opportunities to speak directly with experienced project manager librarians and metadata specialists who can address library director's questions about undertaking or expanding a digitization project.

Session 3. ACRL's Recently Published 10 Assumptions

Discussion and opportunity for conversation to share, hear, and understand library directors' views and experiences about the top ten assumptions recently published in a report from the ACRL Research Committee about the immediate future of academic libraries and librarians. This session promises to be special because it will be lead by Purdue's Jim Mullins, 2006-2007 ACRL Research Committee Chair.

Session 4. Models for Academic Libraries, 2005-2025

Opportunities to discuss topics important to library directors about the migration of collections from print to digital format, retiring legacy print collections, and redeveloping library space, among other topics, as academic library directors consider and engage in these undertakings on their campuses. The session will be lead by IUPUI's David Lewis, who has written and spoken nationally about models for academic libraries.

Morning's Key Session

Richard K. Johnson, Senior Advisor, Association of Research Libraries, will provide an audio presentation. His focus is **shaping of the global digital library**, a topic that holds promise for college and university librarians. As library directors, we are all aware of the sea change caused by the Google, Yahoo!, MSN, and other digitization projects of library collections – topics of conversation on campus in library and curriculum committees. Library directors will not want to miss the opportunity to hear Rick's views about opportunities, trends, problems – and to ask him questions.

ALI Business Meeting

The business meeting is an important opportunity for member library directors to discuss and comment on the development of ALI's Strategic Plan 2007-2012, including perspectives on ALI's vision as a **national leader in state-wide academic library collaboration**, and ALI's goals for **enhancing and enriching access** to library and information services through collaboration, resource sharing, and advocacy. Of course, during the business meeting there will also be the election of officers, discussion and approval of ALI's 2007-2008 budget, and action on revising the bylaws.

Notify Mary Persyn via e-Mail if You Can or Cannot Attend

Please send an e-mail to Mary Persyn by May 3, 2007 to let her know if you can or cannot attend the Annual Meeting, **Mary.Persyn@valpo.edu**. There is *NO* charge for registration, and lunch is included. Let Mary know your plans so she can order food for the buffet lunch and beverages. Please also tell Mary which one of the excellent conference break-out sessions that you want to attend. There are size restrictions for the seminar rooms, so contact Mary as soon as possible.

Hope to See You on Thursday, May 10

The ALI Board of Directors is very proud of the many accomplishments of our member organization over the past year. Each of us looks forward to speaking with you and hearing your comments so that ALI's focus and direction remains member-centered.

As the leader of an Indiana academic library, your attendance, comments, and participation at the Annual Members Meeting is important for ALI to work effectively to advance members' priorities.

We hope to see you at ALI's upcoming **Third Annual Members Meeting** on May 10 – a conference that we are sure will be the best that you will attend this year for professional development and discussion about issues facing Indiana's academic library directors.

Summary Details for ALI's Third Annual Members' Meeting

Date: Thursday, May 10

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Place: Indiana Wesleyan Conference Center (Indianapolis)

Agenda: Visit the ALI website, <http://ali.bsu.edu/calendar.html>

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[Submitted by Arthur W. Hafner, Dean of University Libraries, Ball State University, and ALI Board Member, 04-30-2007.]