

ALI Board Meeting Minutes
August 9, 2006
Indiana University Kokomo, Library

Present: Dan Howell, Janet Brewer, Susan Catt, William Darr, Arthur Hafner, David Lewis, Susan Mannan, Jim Mullins, Mary Persyn, Robert Roethemeyer, John Stachacz, Judy Tribble, Judith Violette (chair), Carolyn Walters (For Pat Steele) and Jennifer Younger (via telephone).

Minutes--Susan Catt

Minutes from the Board meeting of May 4th, 2006 were revised. Jim Mullins moved to approve and David Lewis seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report--Mary Persyn

Mary handed out copies of the Treasurer's report as of 6/30/06 and copies of the budget for the 2006-07 fiscal year. The amount in reserve is \$34,230.11.

Mary asked for a motion to again appoint INCOLSA as the ALI fiscal agent. She suggested that we extend the time period for the appointment through August 2007. We have technically been without an agent since 7/31/06 when the 2005-06 extended appointment expired. Jim Mullins so moved, David Lewis seconded, and the motion was approved.

Mary brought up the matter of whether the due date for the EBSCO payment (for Academic Search Premier) should be moved from August 4th. Some schools have difficulty getting the payment through their business offices so early in the fiscal year. We barely dodged having to pay a late fee this year. After some discussion the Board decided to leave the payment as is. INSPIRE is up for renewal and if Academic Search Premier becomes part of INSPIRE then the problem will disappear.

Meeting Schedule—Judie Violette

The meeting schedule for the year was set.

October 10th—IUPUI

December 12th—IUPUI

February 13th—IUPUI

April 10th—Ball State

May 10th—Members' Meeting

Remote Storage—Carolyn Walters (for Pat Steele)

Pat has three options for seeking funding for second module:

- State Funding--Pat will speak with Interim Provost the Chief Administrative Officer to make them aware of need as they seek State funding for the I.U. system. Problem with this route is that funding for a remote storage module would probably mean bumping funding for other I.U. projects.

- There is also the possibility of the I.U. Library borrowing the money
- Homeland Security money. Pat will talk with Jim Corridan, Director of Public Records and State Archives about their interest in the project.

Possibility of Lilly money was also discussed. The only route here would be for one of the privates to approach Lilly on behalf of ALI.

It was stated and agreed that a second remote storage module remains a priority for ALI. The documents project is an important piece. All libraries would gain from having a common repository of government documents.

Resource Sharing—Robert Roethemeyer

INCOLSA's Resource Sharing Taskforce will have its inaugural meeting on August 29th. The impetus for forming this taskforce was the ALI project last spring and the interest created by the release of the Indiana Catalog.

John Stachacz reported that the INCOLSA EC saw a report done by Collette Mak that shows academic libraries borrow almost exclusively from other academics and public libraries do likewise.

Robert stated that the only major activity for the taskforce this year might be to broaden the pilot; to train other academics on direct request processes. Most libraries who took part in the pilot are still doing direct request.

David reported that there is \$55,000 in LSTA funding that is divided among the large academics and the Indiana State Library to help underwrite resource sharing. Bobbie Brooker is reviewing how LSTA funding in the state is being used. ALI is an eligible organization to apply for LSTA funding.

David stated that we could seek to retool the current \$55,000 for use in some innovative way (which is the purpose of LSTA funding) or we could ask for up to several hundred thousand based on the value of the ALI libraries' resource pool to the state.

Arthur reminded us that most grants are for startup, for getting something innovative off the ground. In four or five years we might be left holding the bag.

David stated that most LSTA funds in Indiana go to fund ongoing programs; that there is very little money going for innovation or to leverage other funds from the state or from private sources.

Key piece is the LSTA five-year plan to be written in the spring.

Robert proposed setting up a series of training sessions for other academics this spring. Things to consider:

- Five day Wheels – will get hearing in INCOLSA taskforce
- Ivy Tech symbol flip-set for October

- Funding for Odyssey

Judie reported that all libraries are still participating in reciprocal borrowing except the I.U. Medical Library.

Database Licensing—Dan Howell

Dan Howell volunteered to chair the Database Licensing Task Force. He will work with Lewis Miller.

David reported that INCOLSA has requested \$170,000 in LSTA funds for ongoing support for cooperative database licensing. The money is used for three staff positions. We need to think about how we fit into this. Perhaps ask that one of the three negotiate for academic libraries and report to us (ALI) in some way. David will distribute LSTA request info to the group.

Lewis has RFP for database management on his desk.

Distance Education—Susan Mannan

There is a new Distance Education Division of ILF.

Susan's group will be administering the faculty survey in the fall.

Group will try to meet with Indiana College Network (ICN) in the fall.

Susan handed out a faculty survey done by University of Montana-Missoula and presented at the Off-Campus Library Services Conference. ALI's faculty survey covers most of the same topics.

Public Relations/Web—Arthur Hafner

Arthur stated that members want tangible benefits. Need to send updates and news items for posting. Look over your taskforce's area of the website and send updates. Send ideas to make site more relevant.

Arthur is re-doing reciprocal borrowing flyer. Send corrections. Will get quote on 10,000. Arthur will also add the logo to the borrower's card.

ALI membership on ISLAC (Indiana State Library Advisory Council)—David Lewis

ISLAC serves as an advisory body for LSTA funding, public library standards, and other library issues. It currently has 3 academic library members who are appointed by IALA. Not sure how the make-up of ISLAC is determined or how it was decided that IALA should appoint the academic members (probably because they were the only academic library organization in the state at the time). Since ALI has broader representation than

IALA (and has institutional members rather than individual) Judie will talk with the IALA president about ALI's possible involvement in the appointments.

David stated that we all have an interest in how the LSTA plan and priorities are put into place and thus an interest in being represented on ISLAC. He will circulate a list of LSTA grants so everyone can see where LSTA money is going.

Status of Government Documents Project—Judie Violette

There is a meeting August 31st of all directors and document librarians to prepare for meeting with the Superintendent of Documents, Judith Russell, on September 14th. Things are moving quickly toward the establishment of a collaborative depository documents collection. Jennifer Younger will make a summary of the meeting on the 31st available.

Discussion on Plans for Year and Strategic Plan--Judie Violette

David Lewis suggested that we might build a case for a half time person funded by LSTA money to support ALI. He suggested Judie will meet with Bobbie Brooker stating ALI would like to help with writing five year LSTA plan.

Ideas for developing the strategic plan

- Pull out current plan to use as basis
- Small group from board led by Jim Mullins will meet to bring back suggestions
- Include building some institutional process for coming years – how things are done and by whom.
- Need charge for each of the committees

Judie requested members be thinking about ideas for May members meeting – speakers, etc.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30pm.

Submitted by
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