

Academic Libraries of Indiana
Board Meeting
Indiana Wesleyan University –Indianapolis Campus
May 10, 2007
3:15 p.m.

Members present: Art Hafner, Judie Violette, Trish Shively, Pat Steele, Susan Mannan, Dan Howell, Robert Slayton, Robert Roethemeyer John Stachacz, David Lewis, Jim Mullins and Bill Darr

The Board of ALI met following the ALI Annual Meeting for purposes of setting meeting schedules and to deal with any existing issues.

President Judie Violette transferred the symbolic gavel to incoming President James Mullins. Jim, in his extended remarks, acknowledged the debt we own Judie Violette for her tireless efforts on behalf of ALI during the past two years. “Judie was the rock that kept us all steady during ups and downs. Her wisdom, experience, patience and sense of humor kept us focused and yet remembering that we weren’t doing brain surgery!”

President Mullins inquired about Officers and Directors Insurance and related matters. Mary Persyn said she would contact the proper official and give them an updated list of names.

The topic of the proposed joint venture between the Indiana State Library and ALI with regards to the Academic Search Premier database was brought up for discussion. Dan Howell had made a presentation at the ALI Annual Meeting earlier in the afternoon concerning this possible joint venture. Susan Mannan, speaking on behalf of the Ivy Tech State College, raised some issues concerning pricing. The conclusion of this discussion was that because Dan is lacking subscription data from several libraries, and that the Indiana State Library is the party in negotiation with Ebscohost, the vendor of Academic Search Premier so it would be impossible to present solid numbers. It was urged that libraries who had not communicated with Dan should check with INCOLSA to obtain their current subscription prices to Academic Search Premier. Dan was conveyed the authority to represent ALI’s good faith interest during this process. The overall feeling is that this joint venture would be positive for all parties. In the coming months ALI will be investigating the options for allocation of charges and payments.

The next ALI Board meeting will be held on Thursday, August 9, 2009, with the meeting being hosted by Purdue University.

Adjournment: 3:26 p.m.