



Agenda - Board of Directors
Tuesday, October 7, 2008
Vincennes University Library, LRC 211
Vincennes, Indiana

- 9:30 Assembling & Coffee.
- 10:00 Meeting Called to Order & Approval of Agenda
- 10:02 Introductions: Official New Ivy Tech Representation
- 10:15 Approval of Board Minutes, August 7, 2008 – John Robson
- 10:17 Treasurer’s Report – Mary Persyn
- 10:30 Confirmation of Meeting dates for 2008-2009
December 2nd, University of Indianapolis
February 10th, IUPUI
April 2nd, Valparaiso University School of Law (**10:00 –3:00 Central time?**)
May 7th -- Annual
- 10:45 Evergreen Update – David Lewis
- 11:15 ALI Consortial membership in the Center for Research Libraries – Jennifer Younger
- 12:00 Lunch
- 12:30 Updates on Continuing Actions:
ALI Stationary Sample Template – Arthur Hafner
ALI History Project: Jennifer Younger
Information Literacy Task Force: New chair Darby Fanning?
- 12:50 Election of the Member at Large Bylaw Change (see below) – Michelle Russo and Janet Fore
- 1:15 ISL/ALI Cooperation Meeting 9/23rd Review – Robson et al.
- 1:45 Committee Reports: Need to name chairs of Various Committees
Database Licensing: Dan Howell Resource Sharing: John Robson
Remote Storage: Pat Steele Public Relations/Web: Arthur Hafner
Distance Education: (new chair needed)
I-Light Committee: Truesdale’s interest
- 3:00 Adjourn

Election of At-Large Member of the Board Proposal

The Problem

Because the at-large member is not elected until the Annual Meeting, that person cannot be considered by the Nominating Committee for an office. The only way for the at-large member to be considered for office is for someone to nominate that person from the floor. In order to do this, separate elections on the day of the Annual Meeting must be held – first to elect the at-large member, and then after those results are known, the election of officers. This has always caused some confusion among our members.

Option 1

Leave as is with the exception of holding the election of the at-large member early in the morning session and the election of officers in the afternoon business session. Separating the two elections by several hours would reduce the confusion.

Option 2

Decide that the at-large member can not hold office. Nothing in the by-laws prohibits this decision and it would allow only one election to take place on the day of the Annual Meeting. While theoretically, this may not seem fair to the at-large member, in practice, there have never been nominations from the floor for officers (except for the first meeting when we did not have a nominating committee).

Option 3

Decide that no nominations from the floor will be accepted. This would allow only one election to take place. However, this would require a change in by-laws. Section 6.2 states “Additional nominations may be made from the floor provided there is a second and that the nominator has obtained the consent of the nominee prior to making the nomination.”

Option 4

Elect at-large member by electronic means prior to the Nominating Committee developing the slate for officers. Section 2.13 allows for electronic voting: “Any action that may be taken at an annual, a regular or a special meeting of members may be taken without a meeting if the Corporation delivers a written or electronic ballot to every member entitled to vote on the matter.”

This option also would require a change in the bylaws. Section 6.2 states “The election of officers and the at-large member of the Board of Directors shall occur, as specified above, at the annual meeting of the members but no later than June 1.” This would need to be changed to allow early election of the at-large member and to specify that the at-large member would need to be elected before the end of March.

Timeline needed if **Option 4** is adopted:

Feb. 1 - Constituency elections complete and names of board members for following year given to the chair of the Nominating Committee. (Section 3.2 states that the “Board of Directors should be elected by their respective constituency groups three months prior to the annual meeting.” This would need to change to read “at least three months prior....”)

Feb. 25 – Nominating Committee submits three names for the at-large position to the membership via email and solicits nominations “from the floor.”

March 10 – Nominating Committee sends electronic ballot out for at-Large member.

March 25 - Deadline for voting for At-large member.

April 15: Nominating Committee sends out proposed slate for officers to members. (The by-laws require the proposed slate to be delivered at least 15 days prior to the annual meeting.)