

**Academic Libraries of Indiana
Board of Directors Meeting
October 8, 2003**

Members in Attendance (at IUPUI University Library): Janet Fore, Larry Frye, Arthur Hafner, Tom Kirk, David Lewis, Susan Mannan, Lewis Miller, Mary Persyn, Robert Roethemeyer, Michelle Russo, Suzanne Thorin, Judy Violette, Jennifer Younger

Documents

Jennifer Younger distributed three ALI documents as background: the Proposed Initiative document sent to Lilly, the ALI Mission and Overview of ALI and the Task Forces charges and members. The url's are in the agenda.

Lilly Proposal Update

Tom Kirk reviewed ALI activities with Lilly, including the meeting with Sarah Cobb in December 2002 where the ALI proposal was presented and a follow-up meeting attended by Jennifer Younger, David Lewis, and Tom Kirk. He reported that Lilly said they are not prepared to consider a proposal of the size ALI presented at this time. Discussion followed about possible reasons for that decision.

It was suggested that ALI might prepare a more limited proposal in the larger context of ALI development. Such a proposal should

- Establish clear priorities
- Show institutional commitments and sustainability.
- Show how we are building on prior PALNI investments
- Clearly identify how our request will improve teaching and learning and help the economy of the state.

IHETS/IHC Learning Portal Project Update

Jennifer reported that there is no word from Lilly on the final report sent in August, and there is no response yet. The request was for \$12 million. ALI is listed as a partner. Jennifer is a member of the Executive Committee of the project, and David Lewis also attends some of the meetings.

Task Force Updates & Charges

The following table summarizes the Board's charge to ALI Task Forces for immediate and near-future actions, based on Task Force chair updates and Board discussion.

Things ALI can do on its own:

Action	Task Force Responsible
Create a virtual catalog for ALI using WorldCat, and develop a plan for a federated search engine to effectively search the IN libraries catalog & other library resources.	Portal and Resource Sharing
Investigate Indiana academic libraries allowing any walk-in	Resource Sharing/Doc

students or faculty members borrowing privileges.	Delivery
Negotiate database deals (cluster and core).	Licensing
Conduct digital library conversations with the Indiana State Library, indicating that ALI wants to cooperate & be a player.	Digitization
Achieve ILL between all academic libraries without charges	Resource Sharing/Doc Delivery
Become an effective lobbying group for more cohesive, coherent library positions in the state. Lobby for increased Wheels/document delivery.	Board & Officers
Create a database of ALI-held databases and member profiles. Could be done by spring member meeting.	Licensing TF and IU

Areas in which to seek outside money:

Action	Task Force Responsible
1. Develop proposals and explore opportunities for shared storage	Storage
2. Ariel/Iliad resource sharing (from LSTA & other federal sources)	Resource Sharing/Doc Delivery
3. Digital library projects (LSTA & other federal sources)	Digitization

Areas that could be provided through in-kind or other funding:

- Contract services for licensing
- Staffing for coordinating projects, e.g. digitization

Legal Advice

Larry Frye will seek advice of counsel (Ice Miller) on issues related to ALI as an organization making database deals for its members.

Non-member Participation in Database Purchases

The following motion was made by Lewis Miller, seconded by Larry Frye and accepted by a unanimous vote of the Board: Any academic library not currently a member of ALI that is currently participating in a database deal that is taken over by ALI may continue participation by payment of a surcharge equal to the annual ALI membership fee.

ALI Database Purchase Service

The following motion was made by Tom Kirk and seconded by Arthur Hafner: The Database Task Force is authorized to proceed in developing a plan for providing a database purchase service through ALI. The motion was approved with the understanding that some individual purchases would go forward in the interim until the plan was approved.

Fiscal Activity

Officers were asked to look at options for handling of ALI's fiscal activity and to report back to the Board.

Electronic Communication

The Board approved moving ALI board and member email lists to Notre Dame and asking INCOLSA to close down those they were operating for us. The general member list will be for members only and sent to the library directors with a request to share within the library.

ALI Web Site

Documents intended for posting to the ALI web site should be sent through the ALI secretary (Susan Mannan). She will work with Tom Kirk to get them posted on the Earlham server.

Task Force Updates

Chairs were asked to update their charges and membership lists for review and approval at the next Board meeting and to be prepared to report to the Board about their plans and ideas.

Assessment

Chairs were urged to think about assessment of activities especially in two ways:

- What will the activity do for Indiana?
- How will the activity improve teaching and learning?

ALI Representation on the INSPIRE Database Committee

For ALI representation on the INSPIRE Database Committee, Jennifer Younger will send INCOLSA three names (David Lewis and Arthur Hafner to represent four-year schools and Dennis Lawson to represent two-year schools), indicating that ALI considers the allocated number of two to be inappropriate but that our representatives will share the two allocated votes. PALNI representatives will be Lewis Miller and Dan Bowell. A motion was made by David Lewis, seconded by Tom Kirk, and unanimously approved that these representatives should consult with the ALI Licensing Task Force.

Future Meetings

The Board will meet again in early December and again in March, with a full member meeting in March or April. Tom Sanville from OhioLINK may be invited to speak at the member meeting.

INCOLSA Executive Director Search

The officers will write a letter to INCOLSA's Executive Committee President regarding the interests and involvement of academic libraries in the search for the new INCOLSA Executive Director.

Dues and Budget

Larry Frye gave a Treasurer's Report. Bonding of some officers such as the Treasurer and perhaps the Database Task Force Chair was discussed. Larry Frye will investigate that and the need for officer liability coverage. A discussion followed on dues structure and amount and other ways to fund activities. The officers were charged with developing proposals for Board and member review at the spring 2004 meeting.

Guests

There was discussion of appropriate guests to be invited to ALI Board and/or Member meetings, such as the State Librarian, the elected INCOLSA President, and the INCOLSA Executive Director. The new State Librarian, Barbara Maxwell, will be invited to the next Board meeting for a short discussion.

Minutes

ALI members will be directed via email to ALI minutes posted to our web site. Appropriate non-members will be updated through email announcements of activities.

Reports on other organizations

IPSE

Susan Mannan gave an update on the activities of the Library Services Task Group of the Indiana Partnership for Statewide Education. This group is reviewing library services to distance education students and may have some projects with which ALI could become involved.

PALNI

Several PALNI members mentioned that intense activities are going on now in bringing up their new online system.