The ALI Resource Sharing Committee met on September 28, 2015.

**Charge**
Identify and analyze resource sharing models, innovations, trends, and strategies; Recommend policies and promote best practices that expand the resource sharing capacity of ALI libraries; and Maintain deep collaboration with the Indiana State Library in the organization of a statewide resource-sharing conference and participate in the evaluation of systems and technologies to facilitate discovery and remote circulation of materials (approved 11/14/2014)

**Committee Membership**
PALNI put forward Karl Stutzman for membership on the RSC. The Committee voted to approve his membership and seeks board approval. Amy Winks (Purdue University) was elected Vice-Chair at the same meeting. Since the meeting, I have contacted Valparaiso University to see if they have someone who would be interested in serving as a non-PALNI representative. Current membership includes:

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**ALI Reciprocal Borrowing Program**
The ALI Reciprocal Borrowing Program is still active. If your library needs cards and/or brochures, I have some printed copies. They can also be downloaded from the ALI RSC web page. The RSC will work on promoting this service.

**Statewide Remote Circulation System (SRCS)**
The Indiana State Library (ISL) issued an RFP for a proposed Statewide Remote Circulation System (SRCS) in spring 2015. The RFP Review Committee consisted of representatives from academic and public libraries in addition to those from the State Library. After an extensive review process, ISL recently selected Auto-Graphics, a vendor who has been providing patron-initiated request services across ILS platforms for almost 30 years. Auto-Graphics solution, SHAREit, works with most of the major ILS currently in use in Indiana. Not currently in production, but in development are connectors that will work with OCLC WMS and Koha. These are expected to available in the not too distant future.
SRCS will provide a virtual union catalog (primarily using Z39.50 protocol) through which patrons can initiate requests for materials from other participating libraries. Some of the benefits to participation include:

- Breaking down silos that have grown up between various library types in the state;
- Extending user discovery and patron-initiated access to materials beyond the local collection;
- Reducing staff mediation;
- Decreasing turnaround time; and
- Providing an infrastructure for potential cooperative collection development opportunities.

The State Library, with input from the ISL Resource Sharing Committee, is currently working on recommended guidelines for SRCS participants. There is also a sub-group of the ISL Resource Sharing Committee looking at best practices established by other states who have this type of service, including Michigan, Ohio and Illinois, among others.

ISL will be reaching out to each academic and public library dean/director in the coming weeks with more information about the benefits and efficiencies of the system and to identify libraries who are interested in taking part in the first phase of implementation starting in the first half of 2016. A brief overview of SRCS will be given at the October 22nd ALI Board meeting. It is hoped that a more in-depth presentation can be scheduled for the following ALI Board meeting. Steven Schmidt, ISL Library Development Office Supervisor, will be giving a presentation on SRCS at the ILF Annual Conference (Tuesday, November 17, 8am).

Tina Baich, ALI RSC Chair, met with State Library representatives and the Chair of the ISL Resource Sharing Committee on October 8 to discuss how to move forward with communication and implementation following the selection of the vendor. The ALI RSC will be developing a communications strategy to help inform ALI libraries about SRCS and will serve as an advocate for the service. These activities are directly related to the RSC charge.

**Other Potential Projects**

The RSC discussed other potential projects during its September 28 meeting. These include:

- Advocacy for the use of RapidILL and the formation of an Indiana pod within the RapidILL system. Collette Mak is currently drafting an informational document with testimonials from current Indiana RapidILL users.
- Investigation of an ILLiad addon for INfoExpress. If feasible, the RSC would like to commission the creation of an ILLiad addon that would allow creation of the INfoExpress shipping manifest at the point of updating requests to reduce handling of outgoing loans.
- Ensure all Indiana libraries are aware of OCLC’s timeline for the retirement of FirstSearch and the need to transition to WorldCat Discovery Service.

The ALI RSC will also continue to fulfill its general responsibility to communicate with ALI libraries regarding resource sharing changes and trends.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Baich
ALI RSC Chair
October 14, 2015