Committee membership: Lynné Colbert (Marian University); Lori Duggan (IU, Bloomington); Kathryn Millis (DePauw University); Cindy Mitchell (Ivy Tech, Lafayette); Kevin Petsche (IUPUI); Rebecca Richardson (Purdue, West Lafayette), Secretary; Peter Whiting (University of Southern Indiana); Kate Moore (IU, Southeast), Chair.

Since the May Business Meeting, the ALI RAC has met by phone on July 8th and August 12th. The next call is scheduled for September 18th.

New RAC Member – Andy Langhurst (Notre Dame) stepped down from the RAC after July call. The committee wishes to thank her for excellent service as previous chair and as an RAC member. The RAC wishes to nominate Monica Moore, Electronic Resources Librarian at Notre Dame, to the RAC. Monica attended our August 12th meeting as a guest.

ICOLC meeting – The next North American ICOLC meeting (International Coalition of Library Consortia) is scheduled for April 17-20, 2016 in Los Angeles, CA. The RAC Chair has attended this meeting in the past to learn about current consortial trends in resource acquisitions and to network with Lyrasis and other consortia. A budget request to attend is attached.

The RAC would like to recommend that ALI investigate other options for handling invoicing and billing for e-resources, including other consortia besides Lyrasis and/or moving towards self-management. A recommendation for forming two task forces to pursue this for 2015/2017 is attached.

There is currently an offer from Proquest for the Indianapolis Star (25% off of the list price for ALI members, if we can get 4 new subscribers). At this time, there is not enough interest to pursue (2 members have expressed interest). The deadline for this deal is October 31, 2015.

A survey will be sent out to the membership shortly to solicit interest for possible resources for the RAC to pursue. Resources on the survey are: Geopolitical Monitor, Total Materia, University Press eBook subscription from Proquest (ebrary), Primal Picture’s Human Anatomy, and eBook collections from iPublish Central.

The RAC met in August to discuss the E-Resource Rendezvous, and decided not to pursue scheduling a fall meeting. It was felt that since there are not a large number of new vendors to present on resources ALI might pursue, the meeting would not be necessary.

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Chair, ALI Resource Advisory Committee
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August 24, 2015
A Proposal to the ALI Board for the ALI RAC Chair to Attend the ICOLC Meeting in Los Angeles, California, April 17-20, 2016

This is a proposal for ALI to provide financial support up to $1,500 to send Kate Moore (Indiana University Southeast), Chair of the ALI Resource Advisory Committee to attend the ICOLC Spring meeting in Los Angeles, California in April 2016 as ALI's official representative. ALI is a member of the International Coalition of Library Consortia (ICOLC), a loose federation that brings together library consortia and provides common explorations and a collective voice. This meeting promises to consider particularly timely issues. This proposal anticipates cost for one attendee, as a training opportunity and a chance to network with consortia colleagues.

The agenda has not yet been set for the spring meeting; however, topics from the 2015 ICOLC North American meeting included:

- Consortium strategic agenda and scope setting; defining, calculating, communicating, and visualizing consortia worth
- EBSCO vendor grille
- Discussion of current landscape in pricing and licensing for e-journal and e-books for consortia
- Cost-sharing models
- Collaboration among consortium members (e.g. collaborative consortial staffing)
- Homegrown consortia tool showcase (including using Trello and BaseCamp to track possible consortial offers and to maintain a historical record of offers and initial pricing).

This proposal for funding requests up to $1,500 and entails the following estimates:

Registration: $375
Lodging: $450
Travel: $600
Food & Incidentals: $75

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The Resource Advisory Committee began discussions concerning the possibility of moving to either self-management or soliciting competitive bids for e-resource management through an RFP process during our May 6, 2015 meeting. After the discussion, the committee recommends that the ALI Board consider appointing two separate task forces for the 2015/2016 – 2016/2017 academic years –

1) **A task force to investigate the feasibility of self-administration.** This committee would need to investigate administration of this position (human resources responsibilities, oversight, insurance, etc.), possible management systems, and where to house staff.

   Rationale: The RAC chair position requires a great deal of concerted effort - dealing with vendor requests, negotiating contracts, acting as a liaison between vendors, Lyrasis, and the ALI membership, and more. This is also only a two-three year commitment, and each new chair requires at least 6-12 months to sufficiently adjust to the role. In addition, with self-management, there could be the opportunity for this position(s) to provide support to other ALI committees to increase the role of ALI in academic libraries in Indiana.

2) **A task force to review and issue an RFP for services to consortia for management.** This committee would need to develop a list of requirements for service, as well as the format for response.

   Rationale: The new ALI-Lyrasis agreement anticipates fees for ALI institutions to increase from $162,885 in FY2014 to approximately $271,000 in FY18. It may be possible to receive comparable services from another consortia for handling ALI’s billing and invoicing. (Note that overall, ALI members have expressed satisfaction with Lyrasis thus far.)

The timeline to complete these tasks and send recommendations to the Board would need to be before January 1, 2017. This would enable movement towards whichever option was chosen to be taken before the ALI-Lyrasis agreement ends on 12/31/2017. If the Board does move forward with this recommendation, the RAC recommends that the task force include representatives from the RAC, from the ALI Board, from previous RAC chairs, and from PALNI staff.