Present: Janet Fore, Robert Roethemeyer, David Lewis, Judie Violette, Arthur Hafner, John Robson, Susan Mannan, Trisha Shively, Mary Persyn, Daniel Bowell, Jennifer Younger, Robert Slayton, Bill Darr, Carolyn Walters (representing Pat Steele) and James Mullins

Call to Order: President James Mullins called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. EST

Additions to Agenda: Susan Mannan requested that the board to consider two items: (1) a proposed change with ISLAC; and (2) consideration of inviting Collette Mak from INCOLSA to a future board meeting to discuss OCLC services.

Minutes: Several spelling corrections and a suggested change in wording were made. With those corrections noted Robert Roethemeyer moved and Jennifer Younger seconded the approval of the October 4, 2007. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer’s Report: Mary Persyn presented ALI’s Financial Statement dated November 11, 2007. ALI’s current reserves are $42,761.86

Future Meeting Dates: Board meeting dates for February 25, 2008, April 3, 2008, April 29, 2008 [conference call for last minutes items for the ALI annual meeting if needed] were affirmed. May 8, 2008 is the date for ALI General Membership Meeting. The locations for the February 25, 2008 and April 3, 2008 are yet to be determined.

Letter to AAAS: President Mullins reported that he had sent, on behalf of ALI, a letter to the AAAS expressing ALI’s regret and concern over the future removal of AAAS content from JSTOR.

ALI Stationary: Arthur Hafner reported that ALI stationary template is almost ready for roll out.

History of ALI: Judie had no updates to report

ALI Archive Designation: Jennifer will have an update at the February meeting along with a proposed retention schedule.

Information Literacy Taskforce: John Stachacz was unable to attend today’s meeting to present a report. A proposed survey is available.

Library and Information Science: One of ALI’s strategic goals is to garner information and then make recommendations to bring the worlds of ALI members and library education together.
Today, Marilyn Irwin and Rachel Applegate representing the Indianapolis campus of Indiana University’s School of Library and Information Science discussed their campus’ Master of Library Science program. We learned that there are currently 338 students (mostly part-time) enrolled at Indianapolis. Classes are offered evenings, all day Friday, as well as on Saturday and Sunday. Some of the classes are beamed to remote sites, and web based classes are also available. The program graduates approximately 100 students per year.

Susan Mannan presented information about Ivy Tech Community College’s Associate Degree library program.

**Action:** President Mullins will invite officials of the Schools of Library and Information Science at the University of Illinois and Indiana University-Bloomington to a future meeting to learn how they meet the needs of Indiana’s academic community. Travel expenses will be covered for the University of Illinois.

**Annual Meeting Planning:** Mark Sandler has agreed to speak at our May 8, 2008 Annual Meeting. His exact topic and the format of the day are still under development. Mary moved and Jennifer seconded a motion to approve a $500 honorarium along with mileage reimbursement at the proper rate to Mark Sandler. The motion was approved unanimously.

Additional discussion centered on the possibility of inviting a representative(s) from SOLINET to either present at the May 8, 2008 meeting or at a special session on the May 7, 2008. SOLINET will be contacted and action will be taken at the February board meeting.

**Database Committee:** Dan Bowell presented the work of the Database Committee. The proposed contract between ALI and SOLINET is currently being reviewed by the law firm of Ice Miller. The committee presented several funding models. Model #3 has a sliding fee scale per FTE. After discussion of the various models, the Board agreed with the underlying philosophy of Model 3. The philosophy being that all ALI members share in paying an administrative fee and a database services fee because these services make the cooperative activities possible. Second, the observation was made that database services paid on a use basis, meaning paid by each library as it licenses access to a database through the ALI provider, have the potential to discourage libraries from increasing their use even though the other terms may be favorable. David Lewis moved and John Robson seconded a motion to adopt funding Model #3; and to set up an apparatus to accept applications for subsidy grants, in cases of hardship, for amounts not greater than a 50% of an institution’s total cost during the first year of the new arrangement. The motion carried unanimously.

The Database recommended a motion to enter into an agreement, pending legal review by Ice Miller, with SOLINET to be ALI’s database vendor. Second by Susan Mannan and the motion was carried unanimously. A round of applause was given to Dan and the Database Committee for their hard work and efforts.
Resource Sharing: Robert briefly shared some information about the Expresso machine which is almost an “ATM for books”. The topic of several future scenarios for OPAC’s was discussed.

Distance Education: Judie reported that the committee will meet in January. One of their goals will be to develop a plan to consolidate D.E. information and place that information on the ALI site.

Remote Storage: Carolyn Walters reported that Auxiliary Library Facility [ALI II] is awaiting a funding decision.

Indiana Government Light Archive: Judie reports that the group is preparing to seek a planning grant to evaluate the feasibility of digitizing Indiana Documents. Jennifer moved and Mary seconded a motion to allow ALI to be used as a fiscal agent for the Indiana Light feasibility study for digitizing Indiana Documents. Motion carried unanimously.

Indiana State Library Advisory Council: Susan reports that ISLAC is in the process of making organizational structural changes. Action: President Mullins will contact ISLAC to affirm that ALI is the appropriate group to make the academic library appointments to ISLAC.

Invitation to Collette Mak: Susan presented a consideration to invite Collette Mak of INCOLSA to present some new items from OCLC at a future meeting. Consensus was positive.

Adjournment: President Mullins gaveled the close of the meeting at 3:00 p.m. EST