ALI Board of Directors Meeting
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Present: Arthur Hafner (presiding), Dan Bowell, Janet Brewer, Susan Clark, Alberta Comer, John Friibley, Ken Gibson, Brenda Johnson, Jim Mullins, Mary Persyn, Matthew Shaw, George Stachokas, Judy Tribble, Cheryl Truesdell.

Call to Order: Arthur Hafner called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and participants introduced themselves.

Minutes: The minutes for the August 30, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting were reviewed. Brenda Johnson made a motion to approve; Mary Persyn seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Mary Persyn reviewed expenditures as of August 31, 2010. MCLS does not get the September bank statement until mid-October. A full statement will be available at the next meeting. Since August 31, expenses were paid for the Resource Advisory Committee Rendezvous and for officers’ and directors’ insurance.

PALNI Appointment of Ken Gibson: Ken Gibson of Hanover College has agreed to fill the unexpired term of Scott Silverman. Ken will serve through June 2011. Mary made a motion to accept Ken Gibson, Hanover College, as a board member through June 2011. Judy Tribble seconded and the motion passed.

Report from the Information Literacy Committee (ILC): Susan Clark reported on activities of the Committee at a September 17 meeting. The Pre-Assessment Task Force is gathering information through surveys. Members of the committee are promoting discussions on the information literacy listserv by taking turns posing specific questions.

The need for an information literacy repository will first be addressed by putting links on the ALI website to existing repositories. Arthur will make arrangements for the Committee to have access to the ALI website.
Susan introduced a new initiative being considered by the Committee, Hoosiers and Information Literacy (HAIL), and presented the draft of a mission statement. The Committee sees this project as an opportunity to give back to the citizens of Indiana. Committee members would work collaboratively with school, special and public librarians across the state. The State Library, the State Legislature and local school boards could also be involved.

The Board voted to endorse the draft mission statement of this proposed initiative,

The mission of the Hoosiers and Information Literacy (HAIL)—an ALI Project is to actively promote information literacy efforts beginning with Indiana’s youngest citizens and continuing through adulthood to foster in Hoosiers skills for finding the information they need and the ability to use that information effectively while building a knowledge base that will serve them throughout their lives.

Recognizing the complexity of this task, the Board encouraged the Committee to identify and involve stakeholders and partners for the project. Arthur proposed a day-long meeting for interested organizations similar to the Resource Advisory Committee’s Rendevous. The Board affirmed the initiative and requested a fuller explication of how the project will be implemented. Who will participate and how will ALI be involved?

**Report of the Resource Advisory Committee (RAC):** George Stachokas reviewed the RAC report that was provided to the Board.

The E-Resource Rendevous had the same number of participants as last year. Tom Sanville, the new Lyrasis Director of Licensing and Strategic Partnerships, spoke on the strategic planning and the negotiating services of that organization. Tom is developing a new method for ALI’s participation in group purchasing. In group sessions at the Rendevous, participants shared concerns related to decreasing budgets and limitations on the functionality of the MyLyrasis system. Steve Hanson of the American Chemical Society presented the new pricing model for the ACS products. Attendees criticized the Society for the large price increase and for lack of transparency regarding in the pricing model.

George has met with Nancy Harris to review the ALI Lyrasis Agreement for 2011. Lyrasis has accepted ALI’s terms with the exception of the requested improvements in MyLyrasis which cannot be made due to technical limitations. The agreement will be ready for the Board’s review and approval by the end of October.

George also reported on research into a possible upgrade from Academic Search Premier and Business Search Premier to Academic Search Complete and Business Search Complete. He and Dan Bowell are negotiating with ebrary on behalf of ALI. The Resource Advisory Committee continues to gather information from ALI members on the various buying groups that are available to assure that members are getting the best value for their purchases. Committee meets tomorrow and will do a strategic review of all products, especially the American Chemical Society offer.
The American Chemical Society has offered ALI a 5-year transition to the new pricing model for ACS Web Edition. ALI will have to commit to fixed price increases and the transition plan. If the offer is accepted before Oct. 31, there will be an 2% discount. The average overall increase is 8.2% per year although some libraries are already paying at a rate that is closer to the new pricing model. The cost-sharing model that ALI has been using is no longer feasible. In the new pricing model, ACS charges the consortium the total of the individual fees of all ALI member subscribers. If any libraries drop out, the price to the consortium is reduced accordingly.

ALI can still work with other consortia to get ACS to change its pricing model. ALI’s agreement with ACS will have an escape clause that would allow us to benefit from future reductions in pricing by ACS. If schools are reclassified during the five years, the cost to ALI would be adjusted. The committee will examine the ACS contract and make a recommendation to the Board. Arthur Hafner, Board President, will sign the contract when it is finalized.

Dan Bowell recommended Tom Sanville of Lyrasis as the speaker for our annual meeting. The Executive Committee will consider this.

**PALNI Update:** Kirsten Leonard, PALNI Executive Director, joined the meeting for the PALNI Update.

PALNI is reviewing its organization model and methods of operation. The Executive Committee approved a proposal to move forward with contract negotiations with ExLibris for Primo and bx recommender service using Total Care, the hosting service of ExLibris. SFX and Metalib would also be hosted by ExLibris. The PALNI Technology Advisory Group, is experimenting with Xerxes, a more user-friendly interface to the Aleph catalog and other library databases.

Kirsten is working with the PALNI Executive Committee to issue RFP’s for all PALNI technology needs including management of Aleph, ContentDM, EZProxy, and various communications technologies. New advisory groups have been established to scan the environment and make recommendations for future priorities. The groups will report to Executive Committee which will lead the strategic planning process. The Executive Director is a member of all advisory groups.

**Report from the Resource Sharing Committee (RSC):** Matthew Shaw reviewed the minutes of the Committee’s September 10 meeting.

A subcommittee is drafting a report for the ALI Board based on the results of a recent survey of the members. The report will recommend ways that ALI can support statewide resource sharing.

Matthew asked the Board to accept the first draft of an ALI Resource Sharing Code that was attached to the minutes of the September 10 meeting. The Board noted that an established code will help interlibrary loan staff in local libraries promote changes to comply with the ALI
standard. The Board asked the Committee to make the code more “best-practices” oriented and to address formats, due dates, statistical reporting, electronic delivery of articles and ALI reciprocal borrowing.

The Resource Sharing Committee is planning a one-day conference March 11, 2011 at Indiana State University. A proposed budget will be submitted to the ALI Board after the Committee’s next meeting on November 5. At that meeting, Randy Dykhuis will present a vision for linking the library delivery services of Michigan and Indiana.

**Midwest Collaborative for Library Services:** At the member meeting on October 1, the MCLS Board for 2011 was elected. It includes Jim Mullins of Purdue University representing research libraries and Janet Fore of St. Mary’s College representing academic libraries. Robert Roethemeyer of Concordia Theological Seminary was elected as an Indiana member-at-large. The proposed dues structure was accepted. Jim Mullins reported that the Board will have a retreat at Das Essenhaus in Middlebury Indiana in November.

**ALI Strategic Planning Task Force:** Jim Mullins is accepting appointments to the Task Force from the various constituency groups of ALI. Maureen Barton will represent Ivy Tech and Rick Provine of DePauw University will represent PALNI. Mary Persyn of Valparaiso Law Library will represent the professional school libraries. Sommer Durrant of IPFW will represent the regional campuses of Indiana University.

The first work of the Task Force will be to report on progress made on the current strategic plan and then to identify goals that need more work.

**Meeting Adjourned:** The ALI Board of Directors meeting was adjourned by Arthur Hafner at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Eileen K. Saner*

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