Committee membership:
Kathy Bartelt (Evansville); Lynné Colbert (Marian University); Lori Duggan (IU, Bloomington); John Fribley (Ivy Tech, South Bend); Kathryn Millis (DePauw University); Kevin Petsche (IUPUI); Rebecca Richardson (Purdue, West Lafayette); Kate Moore (IU, Southeast), Secretary; Andy Langhurst (Notre Dame), Chair.

The ALI RAC met by phone on February 5 and will meet again on April 4, 2014.

ICOLC meeting – April 27-30, 2014, Portland OR. Andy Langhurst and Kate Moore (incoming Chair) plan to attend on behalf of the RAC. Latest draft agenda includes following topics: SIPX Grille, DPLA Grille, NYTimes Grille, ACS Grille, Streaming Video, OA Lightning Talks, Cost sharing models/ implications, APCs, etextbooks. The agenda is expected to continue to be modified as the meeting draws closer.

Maura Hadaway has fully transitioned to her new role in the larger consortial licensing group at Lyrasis. Beth Scheinfeld and Alexis Johnson are our two new contacts for ALI at Lyrasis. Beth will be handing higher level negotiation, long-term planning, needs assessment, etc. Alexis will be handling frontline support in terms of order placement, billing, and MyLyrasis questions. It’s been about a month into the change to Beth and Alexis only on our bi-monthly calls and handling ALI requests – there have been a few bumps but both seem to be very responsive to my requests and member questions from what I’ve observed. clpsupport@LYRASIS.ORG is the email address to reach both Beth and Alexis.

A call for suggestions for end-of-fiscal-year offers has gone out from Beth Scheinfeld with a deadline of April 2. It is expected that the RAC will be able to review list of suggestions and we may do a survey to further measure interest over the coming weeks based on ALI member suggestions and response.

Expected that OUP+3 and ebrary internal cost distribution will be discussed over the coming weeks for July 1 renewals. We may need to reconsider pricing distribution model to provide greater responsiveness for Lyrasis to reconcile billing in case of member cancellation.

Consortial Licensing fees emails as going out as of March 24. Per the terms of the November 2011 signed ALI-Lyrasis service agreement related to the acquisition of electronic resources, the fee is expected to increase by 4% annually. Alexis has sent requests to confirm FTE and contact information for ALI member institutions. In the coming weeks, Lyrasis will send a reminder of the two ALI RAC listservs (ALI-ELECTRONIC-COLL-DEV-L@LISTSERV.BSU.EDU for internal ALI discussions and ALI-LYRASIS-L@LISTSERV.BSU.EDU for ALI member + Lyrasis personnel) in case there are ALI personnel not currently subscribed to our lists, that might want to be.

Related to the above mentioned ALI-Lyrasis “Agreement for Services Related to the Acquisition of Electronic Resources” dated November 21, 2011, the term of the agreement is identified to expire 12/31/14. The agreement allows that it may be renewed for successive one year periods if each party provides the other with written notice at least 90 days prior to the end of the term a desire to renew – so 90 days prior to 12/31/14, about the end of September 2014. I expect that Tim Cherubini will take the lead from Lyrasis side on conversations on how to proceed to address renewal of the agreement – I have not received any specific information at this time.
Topics for focus by the RAC in 2013-2014:

- 5th annual eResource Rendezvous - DONE
- Internal discussion of ebrary’s academic complete vs EBSCO’s ebook subscription product - DONE
- ALI RAC committee make-up discussion – Continuing. Kate Moore will serve as RAC chair starting summer 2014, discussing how to approach transition so that Andy can provide historical perspective (and for how long) in an outgoing chair role.

Attachment – Lyrasis Spring 2014 Offers Catalog. This is not limited to ALI members and presumably would include a Lyrasis surcharge -- includes information about Gale Virtual Reference Library (GVRL) User Driven Acquisition (UDA) Program as mentioned at November 2013 ALI Board meeting. This could be an interesting way for individual ALI members to explore a fairly new method of ebook acquisition based on longer-term trialing of ebooks (6 or 12 months) where money is committed up front and then applied to purchases based on usage. (See page 4 and 5 of Lyrasis Spring catalog)

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