

## Indiana University Librarians' Association (InULA) Joint Executive Board Meeting

12 April, 2017

Present: Courtney Block, (IUS), Secretary  
Michael Courtney (IUB), Representative-at-Large  
Craig Finlay (IUSB), Representative-at-Large  
Julie Hardesty (IUB), President  
Monique Threatt (IUB), Treasurer  
Thomas Whittaker (IUB), Representative-at-Large

Absent: Michelle Hahn (IUB), Vice President/President Elect

The meeting began at 2:00 p.m. in room W531 of the Wells Library.

Items Discussed:

- Approve [March meeting minutes](#).
  - Motioned and approved.
- [Nilson Scholarships](#) – vote on winner recommendations from G&S Committee.
  - Emily Stuckey Weber (2019) and Emily Bedwell (2018) are the two students who are up for nomination. They are the recommended recipients as designated by the Grants & Scholarship Committee.
  - Motioned, seconded, and approved.
- [Membership renewal form](#) – need year info specified for membership record keeping
  - Our current spreadsheet does not offer a way to specify which year membership is for. (for example, if they pay in May or June, is it for the upcoming year or for the past year?)
  - Suggestion: have a radio-button where people can choose which fiscal year. It would be a required field, and options could be: current, next year, or other category (for people who wanted to pay for multiple years at once).
  - Some people have paid twice in a short amount of time, so it is confusing to figure out if it was a mistake or just paying for multiple years at once.
  - For those members we are unsure of year paid for, Mike will email certain members to clarify which years they have paid for.
  - Who will update the form each July? Membership Committee or the Treasurer? For now, responsibility will be with the board. More conversation will be had for this before we commit to any changes.
- [Membership Levels](#)
  - Sharing this for conversation at Business Meeting
  - Possibly draft amendments so they can be shared, in case we seem to have something to vote on.
    - Discussion of letter to be handed out and discussed at the Business Meeting.

- We need to have the discussion at the Business Meeting to see if there is consensus, draft an amendment, and then have a meeting to read the amendment.
    - Brief discussion of prices for membership (has not changed since 2001) – for the next few years, this will likely not change, even if book sale funds decrease.
      - Will add a discussion question point about pricing to the proposed letter.
    - Has the mission of InULA changed enough to be inclusive? This membership conversation came about 5-6 years ago from the desire to have members more active.
    - Should we have a membership level for PA and SS who are not designated as librarians? Just so they are not opened up to professional research grants, but are still eligible for staff development funds.
  - Otherwise, maybe present amendments at December Luncheon?
    - Since this is an event and you have to pay to attend, perhaps this is not a good venue to discuss items.
    - Discussion of having a second general business meeting prior to the December luncheon?
    - Likewise, perhaps the board needs to call a special meeting to discuss this.
  - The board will bring this discussion up at the Business Meeting and proceed from there.
- [InULA Code of Conduct](#)
  - Does not need a vote, but perhaps we bring it up to the Membership Committee's attention?
  - We will ask the Communications Committee to ensure their 'laundry list' sentence is comprehensive and linguistically current.
  - Will be placed on the "About InULA" page, ahead of the Business Meeting, and announce that we invite members to view the Code of Conduct. We will also send to the InULA listserv.
- [Business meeting agenda draft](#)
  - Add the Code of Conduct, tentatively.
- Michelle Hahn update and plan for Board.
  - She is back in town and in recovery. We still do not have a timeline regarding her returning to work. Julie spoke with a past president who recommended we look at the election ballot from last year, and we discovered a member who ran for Vice President. Do we want to pursue this option?
  - We cannot call a special election for a position which we do not know is vacant yet.
  - Can we have the elected Vice President as indicated on July 1 serve as Interim President until Michelle gets back?
    - In this case, there would be no Vice President for a period of time.
  - Decision: to have an acting president until Michelle can resume her duties.
- Election Committee update
  - Nominees are being sought, all is moving forward as expected.
- Committee reports
  - Book Sale – One day event total - \$4,189.00, though may be higher than this.

- Communications - sent out a call for InULA notes for the end of April. Hopefully this will be completed in May. They also presented the Code of Conduct.
- Constitution and Bylaws – Will provide amendments regarding membership.
- Membership - no update.
- Programs and Social – Business Meeting save the dates have been sent. This year attendees will get milkweed seeds, provided for free by an organization concerned with the plight of the monarch butterfly. One World will be used for catering.
- Scholarship and Grants – Nilson scholarship has been decided. Announcements will be sent. The next round of grants are passed, and we will see applications soon.

Next meeting will be scheduled before the Business Meeting, date TBA.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Courtney Block  
Secretary