

# InULA Board Meeting

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Main Library, Room 043, IUB

Present: Julie Nilson, presiding, Ralph Papakhian, Jian Liu, Suzanne Mudge, Jennifer Hehman, Wendell Johnting, Sylvia Turchyn, Jo Burgess

1. Minutes of the September 18, 2000 meeting were approved as written.
2. Julie Nilson presented a print out of the InULA web page and asked for discussion of its appearance and organization. The issue of archiving electronic files was the main thing discussed. Jian Liu stated that he did not believe any files had ever been deleted, though some are no longer available to everyone directly from the web page. It was suggested that we might have a separate directory or a separate web page for each fiscal year with that year's associated documents. There was some concern that if older versions of the constitution or guidelines for grants were left in place, people might pull up the wrong version and think they had the current document.

The board decided to charge the Communications Committee with drawing up a clear, documented system for maintaining the web page, including how to archive documents from each year and a calendar for when to update various components (new officers, grant and scholarship deadlines, etc.)

It was also noted that thanks to various InULA members efforts, all InULA archive materials are now located in the Main Library.

The budget for the Communications Committee was discussed. At present, they have \$300 that the board allocated to them. The need to hire student hourly help to do the HTML work for the web page was noted. This would allow the committee members to do the intellectual work, but not be burdened with the HTML, which can be very time consuming.

The board decided to ask Moira Smith, current chair of this committee, to draw up a proposal for this type of ongoing funding, which the board will then vote on.

Jian Liu asked what part of the membership list should be on the web. It was agreed that only the names and campus location (which campus) should be posted, not e-mail addresses or any other information contained in the membership database. Wendell Johnting noted that past and current practice is to send the complete form to the Chair of the Communications Committee who then edits it down for posting on the web page.

3. Sylvia Turchyn reported for the Program and Social Committee. A fall membership event was held in Indianapolis on Sunday, Oct. 15. It was a four part event, starting at the Eitlejorg Museum, then moving to the IUPUI Library for a jazz concert and tour of the exhibits (Jazz Age in Paris), and ending at a local restaurant for supper. Attendance picked up as the event proceeded, ending with 10 for supper.

Sylvia posed the question, is this sort of thing worth the effort if we only get 10

participants? She wondered if we should consider separate events on each campus so that people did not have to drive so far to attend.

Members have suggested two names as possible speakers at a spring event: Mary Rose Wampler, local artist/author, and Sandy Berman, a former cataloger in Hennepin County, Minnesota, who has been vocal and controversial in criticizing LC subject headings and in offering others to augment them. Other names were thrown out as possibilities and Sylvia made note of them: Michael Gorman, Nicholson Baker, Thomas Mann. It was suggested that if we got big names, we could partner with other departments for a bigger event.

4. Wendell Johnting presented the treasurer's report. No expenditures have been made thus far. Suzanne Mudge gave him receipts for expenses associated with printing the membership brochure.

Wendell also noted that when he tried to file the new tax exempt forms, he was told that the numbers were wrong, both state and federal. He has corrected the state form and is in the process of getting a new federal number.

5. Membership Drive: Last year we had a total of 110 members. As of 10/23/00, we have only 45. The board decided to contact non-renewing members to remind them to renew. This reminder will be published in conjunction with the president's message and will be posted to InULA-L, SLIS-L, the faculty/PA/support staff distribution lists maintained by Library HR, and IUL-News. Suzanne Mudge and Jian Liu will see that these messages are posted.

It was noted that we missed the emeriti faculty when we sent the membership brochures out. Ralph Paphakian will contact Betty Bell to see if she has a complete list or only those for IUB, and the rest of the board will send him names that they know should be on the list. We will then determine a process for maintaining such a list.

6. Julie Nilson presented a draft list of committee membership. All committees currently have chairs who have been contacted and have agreed to serve. After looking at other member's committee preferences, names were suggested for each committee and Julie agreed to contact them to ask if they will serve. It was noted that we should get other names of people willing to serve as the membership list grows.

7. It was noted that the IUB Book Sale Committee has already reserved Room 174 for a date in April 2001. If the Ad Hoc Committee to Propose a Book Sale Location suggests another location, this reservation can be cancelled.

8. An Ad Hoc InULA Heritage Committee has been formed to identify past scholarship and grant recipients and to make a proposal regarding how our archives should be maintained. It was suggested that this might eventually become a permanent committee.

9. The board agreed to ask the Professional Development Committee to once again read the scholarship applications and advise the board on selections. The question of who is responsible for publicizing notices of deadlines for scholarship and grant applications was raised. The board agreed that the scholarship notice should come from the board, but that the Professional Development Committee should send reminders about the grant deadlines. It was also agreed

that the Professional Development Committee be allowed to extend the fall deadline since we have missed the October date.

10. The date for the next meeting, scheduled for Monday, November 13 was changed to Monday, November 20, pending a calendar check by all members of the board. The meeting will be held in Indianapolis.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15

Respectfully submitted by  
Jo Burgess