

InULA Board Meeting

June 5, 1997

Minutes

InULA Business Meeting

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2:30-4:45 P.M.

Main Library, Room 043

IU Bloomington

Members Present: Phil Bantin, Nancy Boerner, Robin Crumrin, Mark Day, Lois Heiser, Maryann Hight, Hilary Jolly, Mary Krutulis, Wen-ling Liu, Chris Long, Pat Lovett, Marianne Mason, Cinda May, Anne McGreer, Andrea Morrison, Suzanne Mudge, Sylvia Turchyn.

1. Minutes of the April 4 meeting were approved as presented.
2. Treasurer's Report: Wen-ling Liu presented a financial report. The highlight was the book sale's gross profit of \$4837.85.
3. Membership Report: Anne McGreer reported that InULA had a total of 88 members for the 1996/1997 year. A database of membership information has been created. It was noted that membership was down a little this year. A future project for the Board might be to determine why some former members failed to renew. Special efforts might also be made to make new librarians in the system aware of InULA.
4. Book Sale Committee: Suzanne Mudge presented a written report. This year's book sale produced that largest profit in the sale's history. Factors that contributed to its success included excellent publicity and thorough sorting. The committee recommended that there continue to be 2 co-chairs responsible for the sale in order to ease the workload. The committee plans to rewrite the book sale handbook to incorporate changes that have occurred over the years.
5. Communications Committee: Mark Day reported that, by the end of June, two issues of InULA Notes will have been published. Hits on InULA's Web site have increased throughout the year. The Web page may need to be redesigned slightly. Mark mentioned that publicity items should be sent to him far enough in advance of the event to insure that they are included in the Web page on time. He also would like suggestions as to what kinds of links to add to the Web page.
6. Continuing Education Committee: Cinda May reported that the committee's major task was development of the InULA Professional Development Grant. The first deadline for application submissions is Oct. 1. The committee also recommended that future Continuing Education Committees put on one large program per year to build camaraderie among the campuses.
7. Program and Social Committee: Pat Lovett reported on this year's activities and offered ideas for the role this committee might play in the future. An open house was held in January. Further discussion suggested that future committees might concentrate on having simple social events like lunch outings, arrange small programs, or combine with the Continuing Education Committee to present a large program.

8. Elections Report: Lois Heiser presented a slate of candidates which was accepted by the Board after some corrections were made. The election will take place in the next few weeks.
9. Librarians' Day Report: Andrea Morrison reported on InULA's presence at Librarians' Day. InULA contributed \$150 towards the cost of the speaker and its work was publicized in the brief remarks made by herself and Cinda May during lunch.
10. Future Directions and Priorities: Phil Bantin offered his views of what InULA's characteristics were during the past year:

- a funding source through its awarding of RIFs and the SLIS scholarship
- a catalyst for information exchange
- a decentralized organization in which funds will be made available to groups on the individual campuses to organize programs that meet their particular needs.

It was suggested that InULA might be more proactive in supporting the professionalism of librarians. This generated some discussion that focused on the actions InULA might take in this regard. Should the Board issue policy statements and risk alienating members who don't agree with its stance, or should it take a more indirect approach by providing fora for discussing the issues and having thematic issues of InULA Notes?

11. New Business: It was suggested that the InULA logo should be changed to include the original lower case "n." It was noted that the logo was never intentionally changed and future applications will include the "n."
12. The general business meeting was then adjourned and the Board reconvened to consider 2 RIF applications and the traditional gift to the Dean's Fund. \$400 will be given to the Dean's Fund. RIFs were awarded to Suzanne Mudge and May Jafari in the amounts of \$350 and \$500 respectively.
13. The transitional meeting between the old and new Boards will be held sometime near the end of July.

Respectfully submitted,
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