

**Bloomington Library Faculty Council
2001-2002 Report of the Secretary**

**Elizabeth L. Johnson, 2001-2002 BLFC Secretary
August 7, 2002**

2001-2002 BLFC membership

2000-2002:

Julie Bobay, Webmaster, Parliamentarian, Budgetary Advisory Committee liaison
Ann Bristow, Faculty Standards Committee liaison
Bob Goehlert, BLF Secretary, IULFC Representative 2000-2002, Election committee liaison
Elizabeth L. Johnson, BLFC Secretary, Peer Review Committee liaison

2001-2003:

Nancy Boerner, Salary Equity Review Committee liaison
Bob Noel, Collection Development Committee liaison
Mary Popp, Continuing Education Committee liaison
Mary Strow, Jenkins Award Committee liaison, IULFC Representative 2001-2003
Gary Wiggins, Constitution & Bylaws Committee liaison
Saundra Taylor, Budgetary Advisory Committee liaison

2001-2002:

Moira Smith, Bloomington Faculty Council liaison

2001-2002 BLFC Committee Chairs

Budgetary Advisory Committee: Anne Haynes and Marian Shaaban (co-chairs)
Collection Development Committee: Moira Smith
Constitution and Bylaws Committee: Emily Okada
Continuing Education Committee: Diane Dallis
Election Committee: Gary Charbonneau
Faculty Standards Committee: Julie Nilson
Salary Equity Review Committee: Emma Dederick-Colon

2001-2002 IULFC from Bloomington

Saundra Taylor
Bob Noel
Mary Strow
Bob Goehlert

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The Council met 10 times during the year. There were no meetings in November 2001 or March 2002. Much of the work of the Council this year was routine: hearing reports, encouraging BLFC Committees to complete charges, and revising Council documents. Some of the Council highlights for the year are listed below.

- BLFC helped plan a welcoming event for Chancellor Brehm held November 7, 2001.
- Kris Brancolini, chair of the planning committee for the Fall Librarians' Retreat, provided a summary of the retreat for BLFC. Kris asked for input on how to follow up on the issues raised as a result of the retreat. She urged the BLFC to keep them in the forefront when planning for next year. Mary Popp suggested it would be good to bring substantive issues to librarians, e.g., issues in planning for the future.
- Lou Macolmb reported to the BLFC on USGPO recall requests, and asked whether the IU Libraries should have a policy concerning our responses to these requests. There is no clear law mandating that recalled documents have to be returned. Compliance is often based on the reason for the request (e.g., incomplete or superseded material, or national security reasons). It is not necessarily a censorship issue, as most if not all recalled items will end up in the US Archives, where they will be available to researchers. Furthermore, many of these same documents are sold commercially and are not "recalled." In general GPD at IUB has tried to comply with recalls.
- President Brand's scheduled visit with the Council in March, 2002, was postponed until a later date.
- BLFC monitored progress on the "18/20 Alternative Group" as three librarians were affected.
- Revisions to the Bylaws were approved by the Council as submitted by the Constitution and Bylaws Committee and subsequently approved by vote of the librarians in June 2002.

Review of Dean Thorin

Review procedures for campus administrators (See <http://www.indiana.edu/~bfc/BFC/policies/review.html>) prescribe a role for the BLFC Secretary in the preparation of the summary report of the findings of the Review report. I served in this capacity in the Fall Semester. Chancellor Brehm issued the summary report on January 7, 2002

Work in progress: Major items for the 2002-2003 Council include:

Continuing to monitor the peer review process, especially studying the divergence of ratings by Dean, Supervisor, and Peer Review Committee.

Continuing roles in the review of Dean Thorin.

Continuing engagement in budget processes, especially how library operations are affected in the present fiscal environment.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Johnson