

# Indiana University Librarians' Association (InULA)

## Joint Executive Board Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2015

Present: Andrea Baer (IUB), Treasurer  
Carey Beam (IUB), Representative-at-Large (via phone)  
Julie Hardesty (IUB), Vice President/President Elect  
Nazareth Pantaloni (IUB), Representative-at-Large  
Christina Sheley (IUB), Secretary  
Christina Wray (IUB), President

Absent: Latrice Booker (IUN), Immediate Past President  
Michael Courtney (IUB), Representative-at-Large

The meeting began at 2:04 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room of the Wells Library, Bloomington.

The October Joint Executive Board Meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

### 1. **Treasurer's Report** (Andrea Baer)

Andrea will be on research leave during the Holiday Luncheon; Christina Wray will take payments. The Amazon account took in approximately \$1165 in the last few weeks and continues to do well. The Board discussed the need to spend monies to meet our tax requirements. The following actions were decided upon for short-term spending: pay for drinks for all Holiday Luncheon attendees, pay for the meals for new librarians/grant recipients at the Holiday Luncheon, fund giveaways at the Holiday Luncheon, and fund an event for the Book Sale Committee after the sale in the spring. A longer term strategy might be for InULA to contribute to the Neilson scholarship or cover some of the costs (e.g., keynote speaker, lunches, streaming, etc.) of the Statewide Libraries' Day. Christina Wray will contact Mike Noth (Director of Business Affairs, Bloomington) to make inquiries. The Board also needs to consider any major expenses to be incurred this spring.

*[Update: In an e-mail dated 12/4/15, titled "InULA Money Fun," Christina Wray detailed her conversation with Mike Noth and concluded it would be easier to give a donation to the Statewide Libraries' Day than to add to the principle of*

*the Neilson endowment. The Board agreed to give \$1,500 to the Statewide Libraries' Day event by December 15 so the donation could be processed by the end of the year.*

## 2. **Committee Reports (Board)**

- **Book Sale Committee:** April 9, 2016 will be the in-person book sale. Like last year, it will be a one day event with high-quality items.
- **Communications Committee:** December 1, 2015 is the deadline for content for the next *InULA Notes*. Christina Wray will report on the Bean Blossom trip in her President's Note.
- **Constitution & Bylaws Committee:** The Committee was contacted about the new, regional campus, Member-at-Large Representative position discussed at the October Board meeting. No word from the Committee yet on a path forward. After Board discussion, it was decided typical policy and procedure should be followed for this action.
- **Membership Committee:** Several new librarians joined this fall. Carey asked the Board to provide feedback on a previously created membership brochure so the Committee can move forward with producing a new one.
- **Program & Social Committee:** There are 15 RSVPs for the Holiday Luncheon; however, these are being split between several individuals/places. Christina will try and verify counts, and Committee Chair Madelyn Shackelford Washington should input any individuals who have contacted her personally into the registration system. Future event RSVPs need to go to the registration form. There were 13 participants for the "From Theory to Practice: Applying the ACRL Framework's Lofty Goals to Everyday Teaching" webinar.
- **Statewide Libraries Day Committee:** The Committee met and brainstormed potential keynote speakers, including Drew Curtis (FARK.com), Jane McGonigal, James Neal, Nate Silver, and David Wolfe. If Board members have additional ideas, e-mail Christina Wray ASAP as this needs to be finalized in the near future. Initial names have been forwarded to Carolyn Walters for comment. A potential theme for the event is innovation and change. The date has been set for May 20. Rachael Wheeler is now unable to serve on the Committee; a new professional staff representative will be approached.

## 3. **Membership Survey (Christina Wray):**

Nothing has been done with the survey since the October meeting. After

discussion it was decided we might be overthinking our approach. We already have many good questions and could add a final one that asks participants to “share one way InULA current supports you and one area for improvement.” The survey can then be sent out, with reminders given at the Holiday Luncheon.

4. **Writing Programming** (Christina Wray):

At previous Board meetings we have discussed several writing programming options including sponsorship of a writing retreat and/or editor/editing package. At this meeting we added the following possibilities: hiring of an hourly student to free up librarian time for writing, sponsorship of writing workshops or discussions, and creating a writing group similar to those sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences and coordinated by the Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning (CITL). It was decided a package of offerings would be the best path forward. Christina Wray is going to investigate bringing a speaker ([Natalie Goldberg](#) will be our first attempt) for a discussion and/or workshop. CITL may be willing to co-sponsor. Carey is going to investigate the costs of a writing group. The Board will be instrumental in making sure this programming is successful.

The meeting adjourned at 3:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christina Sheley  
Secretary