

Indiana University Librarians' Association (InULA)
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
January 30, 2012

Present: Chanitra Bishop, Representative-at-Large
Latrice Booker, Membership Committee chair
Lori Dekydtspotter, Treasurer
Wendell Johnting, Secretary
Jennifer Laherty, President
Jo McClamroch, Representative-at-Large
Sherri Michaels, Guest
Kate Moore, Vice-President/President-Elect (by video bridge)
Christina Wray, Representative-at-Large

The meeting began at 12:32 p.m. in Room 252E of the Wells Library, Bloomington.

1. President Laherty began the meeting by seeking approval of the December 9, 2011, executive board meeting minutes. Kate offered a friendly amendment to number 9 of the minutes, suggesting the last word of this item be changed from “non-attribution” to “attribution.” Jo moved, and Christina seconded, the approval of these minutes. There being no further discussion, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.
2. Sherri Michaels gave a presentation regarding the Nilson Scholarship and the Nilson InULA account with the Credit Union. She had gone back in the InULA Archives to 1969, and found that InULA had established a scholarship in 1969 through the Office of Scholarships; this scholarship was established to give financial aid to undergraduates. InULA never had an “endowment fund account” where it would spend only the interest from the account to fund scholarships. There was a campaign in the early 2000’s called \$30 for 30 [30 years’ anniversary of InULA], where funds went toward scholarships, but they were not kept separate from the other InULA funds. Sherri said the InULA membership has told her that if we have another type of fundraiser, they wish the money designated toward scholarships; thus, we should have a separate scholarship fund. The Nilson name was attached to scholarship monies in 2002. Sherri contacted the Office of Scholarships to see if we still had an active account with them, and indeed there is an InULA Scholarship Account, established in 1979, with \$7,700.86 in it. The Director of this Office is investigating to see if we can change the criteria for awarding scholarships through them, or if the criteria must remain the same. Lori also volunteered to talk with Erika Dowell regarding a report which was written several years ago about InULA investments to see if it would shed further light on the scholarship monies. The board expressed appreciation to Sherri for all her work in investigating this topic.
3. Sherri further reported on fundraising for InULA. She suggested that in the past, we have had auctions to raise funds for the organization, and she believes an auction can be done at least every couple of years; this could be done online, or in conjunction with the Holiday Luncheon. Jen suggested that an Ad Hoc Committee be formed to plan an auction, or other fundraising events, perhaps held during the next Holiday Luncheon. Jen said this Committee could flesh out details about how the auction event could be broadened; one suggestion was to use WordPress for disseminating information about it,

or for the actual process of the auction. Sherri volunteered to chair this Ad Hoc Committee. Christina moved, and Lori seconded, to pursue this type of fundraising event, in addition to the yearly Book Sale.

4. In regard to the InULA Archives, Jen reported that she had talked with Dina Kellams about using the Indiana University Archives as a repository for InULA print and digital documents. Everyone thought there should be a broader discussion about the Archives, and Jen said she would get further information about what we would need to to prepare our documents, as well as what the I.U. Archives would do for us; the impact of signing over ownership of our documents to them; etc. If we decided to go this route, the paper documents would reside in the ALF; digital files would be through AIM. The board unanimously agreed we should follow this option with our documents.
5. Sherri also reported on copyright policy for *InULA Notes*. After much discussion, it was decided that we should use a creative commons license for the *Notes*, with author attribution, but designate that any use of article in the *Notes* be for non-commercial use, with no derivatives, and follow the principle of fair use. Authors would have to accept this policy if they wanted articles published in *InULA Notes*, but wouldn't have to sign any formal document stating this. Each article would be stamped with "ccnd", and the full policy would be placed in the issue. Kate agreed to talk with the Communications Committee, in consultation with Sherri, to prepare a policy statement on this topic. Hopefully, a completed policy would be voted on by the board at the March meeting.
6. Lori presented the Treasurer's Report. As of 1/30/2012, there was \$1182.09 in checking; \$5.00 in savings; \$18,256.55 in the money market, \$7,859.11 in the money market "endowment" fund; and \$11,827.68 in the certificate of deposit. Lori reported two people had returned RIF funds, since they could not initiate their research. It was agreed that a list should be made of those who have or have not done research with their RIF funds, and also if a report detailing the research has been posted in *InULA Notes*.
7. Jo reported for the Grants & Scholarships Committee's work. She found in documentation for the Committee a formula for carryover of remaining RIF funds in cycles, so this cycle has \$2,500 available to be used for worthy research projects. There was discussion that if a project had no tangible research-related activities listed in the request proposal, money did not have to be awarded to an individual, since the process of awarding funds is very competitive. There was a brief discussion about revision of the Committee manual and the Grants Guidelines on the InULA website, and Jen suggested there be a mid-month meeting among committee members to further discuss revisions, with the revised manual finished by June 30.
8. Regarding the Holiday Luncheon, several board members voiced discontent with last year's luncheon at the Neal Marshall Black Culture Center—both with the food and the venue. The Union Building was suggested as a site for next year's luncheon, either in the Tudor Room, the Frangipani Room, or the University Club. If the luncheon still was held at the Black Culture Center, everyone agreed that at least a new caterer be engaged for preparing and serving the meal. Monique Threatt has already reserved the Black Culture Center for this year's luncheon, but a contract has yet to be signed. The board charged the Program & Social Committee to look further into options.
9. Since Steve Miller (Past President) has moved on to a position in Cincinnati, he is no longer a member of InULA or the board, and there was discussion about replacing his position on the board. Lori moved, and Chanitra seconded, that Steve not be replaced,

since his term will end June 30. All board members agreed to this, and offered congratulations to Steve on his new job, as well as thanks for his years of dedicated service to InULA.

10. Wendell has compiled four proposals the board will request the membership to vote on concerning revision of the Constitution and/or Bylaws. Since Steve has left, and he was chair of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, Wendell agreed to contact Gary Charbonneau to ask if he would serve out Steve's term as chair until the end of the membership year.
11. Kate Moore, as one of her duties as Vice-President/President-Elect, will formulate the Election Committee. She will draw, by lot from the regular membership, to get members for the Nominations and Electoral Subcommittees. The offices open for election are: Vice-President/President Elect, Secretary, and two Representatives-at-Large. It was stressed that there should be two candidates on the election slate for each of these positions.
12. Regarding the InULA Website redesign, Jen said she has a knowledgeable student worker who has helped her with Scholar Works, and who has done plenty of WordPress projects. He thought that for the amount of work which needs to be done, \$1,500 payment for the project would be a reasonable amount. Members of the board could probably put together a few likely candidates for this redesign work, but Jen's student could be available to work on the project in April; she said she would send members links to examples of his work, along with his resume. Hopefully, this project will be completed by the end of the membership year.

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendell Johnting
Secretary