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ILA/ACRL Executive Board Minutes, November 19, 1999

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Executive Board Meeting

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Iowa State University Library, Ames

Present: Ed Goedeken (ISU), presiding, Megan Adams (UNI), Barbara Allen (UNI), Jane Campagna (Scott Community College), Rachel Crowley (Morningside College), Ann Ford (UI), Susan Knippel (ISU), Chris Neuhaus (UNI), Kathy Parsons (ISU), Richard Reitsma (Northwestern College)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by this year’s ILA/ACRL President, Ed Goedeken (ISU), at 10:00 a.m.

2. Election Results

Ed Goedeken announced the ILA/ACRL election results: Jane Campagna (Scott Community College) – Vice-President/President Elect, Barbara Allen (UNI) – Secretary/Treasurer, and Kathy Parsons (ISU) – Member At-Large.

3. Introductions

Executive Board members present at this meeting introduced themselves.

4. Overview of Spring and Fall Programs

Kathy Parsons briefed the Board on the progress in planning for the spring and fall conference programs. The Spring and Fall Conference Program committees will meet at the ISU Library in Ames on December 3, 1999, at 10:00 a.m. for further planning. Kathy reported that the theme for both the spring and the fall conference programs will most likely be “Digital Libraries.” The Spring Conference will be held at ISU in Ames on May 12, 2000. The Spring Conference Program Committee has two possible speakers in mind: Carole Barone (University of Illinois at Chicago) and Gail McMillan (Director of the Scholarly Communications Project, Virginia PolyTech). Kathy knew about a digital library training program at the University of California and said she would want to find out more about that program. Kathy announced that she needed more suggestions for speakers and panelists. It was suggested that she might ask Jerry Caswell (UNI) for ideas. Richard Reitsma suggested that outsourcing could be a sub-topic discussed at the conferences. He stressed that both sides of the issue should be presented. Carol Hughes (UI) was suggested as another resource person for the conferences. Richard Reitsma suggested additional possible speakers: Langdon Winner (political scientist, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute) and Clifford Stoll (author of High Tech Heretic). Kathy announced that the rooms for the Spring Conference are already reserved at the ISU Union. The printing of the conference programs was briefly discussed. Barbara Allen reported that last year’s programs had been printed in-house at UNI. Ed said that Dottie Persson (ILA) would like information on our theme for the spring conference program.

5. ILA/ACRL Directory

Susan Knippel reported that the update of the Iowa Academic and Research Libraries Directory is almost completed on her computer. She is currently working on the index. The print Directory will be produced.
in December. Susan will forward an electronic copy of the Directory to Megan Adams for conversion into html format and placement on the ILA/ACRL Web site.

Ed announced that another member is needed for the Directory Committee. He asked Board members to advance names to him.

Ed reported that he had received a few requests for the print edition of the Directory from library members of ILA/ACRL. It was decided that these libraries may have a copy of the print Directory, and that they will be informed that the Directory is also available on the ILA/ACRL Web site.

6. ILA/ACRL Newsletters

Ann Ford said that the next ILA/ACRL Newsletter will be due out in January 2000. Chris Neuhaus reminded everyone that the ILA/ACRL Organization Manual is available on the ILA/ACRL Web site. It contains detailed information on committee responsibilities. Ann stated that her committee does not have representation from all across the state. Ann will therefore send out a call for news items on the ILA/ACRL listserv. It was decided to send the newsletter out electronically in plain text, because not everyone has the capability of opening an attachment. The newsletters are also posted on the ILA/ACRL Web site.

7. ACRL Chapters Council Representative

Ed announced that we need an ACRL chapters council representative (liaison with national ACRL). He could put out a call on the ILA/ACRL listserv. Ann said that she would try to find someone from the University of Iowa to replace Mary McInroy, the previous ACRL chapters council representative. Kris Gerhard (ISU) and Mary Beveridge (Drake) were also suggested as possible candidates for this position.

8. ILA/ACRL Budget Expending

Chris Neuhaus announced that the current balance in the ILA/ACRL account is a little over $5,300.00. The last spring conference made a healthy “profit.” Income from the spring conference varies from year to year. Last year we paid $100.00 for our membership in IREN (for our ILA/ACRL Web site). As long as our budget is healthy, there is no problem with paying for the IREN membership. Chris did not think there would be any unexpected expenses this coming year. We should think about what we might want to do with some of the money in the account. It was suggested that we might want to expand our programming at the fall conference.

9. Community College Participation

The Board would like to encourage an increase in the participation of community college librarians in the activities of ILA/ACRL. Jane Campagna noted that community college librarians find it hard to get away from their jobs (because there is usually no one who can replace them while they are gone). She suggested that it might help if a conference would be held at a community college. It was noted that that had been done in the past on occasion. Jane suggested that a lot of the committee work could be handled via e-mail. Megan noted that the sessions on distance education at the last fall conference brought together librarians from a variety of libraries. Ann suggested that lunch tables could be set up for people with common interests. Megan suggested that during the spring conference we could have a discussion room.
10. **Other Matters**

Ed noted that we will have only one at-large member this year.

It was suggested that an attempt should be made to invite librarians from some other states to the spring conference.

11. **Next Meeting**

The Executive Board will meet next in the late afternoon of May 11, 2000, the day before the Spring Conference. The Board meeting will be followed by a pre-conference dinner (which is open to all conference attendees).

12. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12 noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Allen
Secretary/Treasurer, ILA/ACRL