ACRL Board of Directors' actions, June 1995

Highlights of the ACRL Board of Directors' Annual Conference meetings

The ACRL Board of Directors met twice during the ALA Annual Conference in Chicago on June 24 and 27. Highlights of the meetings are as follows:

Approved establishment of a new discussion group, Electronic Reserves, increasing the number of division-level discussion groups to 21.

Thanked the Seventh ACRL National Conference Executive Committee and commended it for the development and presentation of an exciting, stimulating, and intellectually challenging conference.

Sent Memorial Resolution for William Andrew Moffett to ALA Council for endorsement.

Adopted the Strategic Plan presented by the ACRL Interim Planning Committee; voted to adopt the planning roles; and postponed taking action on the implementation plan until after the Board's fall retreat.

Disbanded the ACRL Planning Committee with the highest appreciation and asked that the ACRL Constitution and Bylaws Committee place the portion of Article VI, Section 2b on the spring ballot which allows the membership to vote to remove the chair of the Planning Committee from the ACRL Board of Directors as an ex-officio member without vote.

Approved two ex-officio positions on the ACRL Publications Committee to be filled by the CLS CLIP Notes Committee chair and by a representative from the section newsletter editors.


Approved revisions to the bylaws of the University Libraries Section and approved the
byleaws of its newest section, English and American Literature.

Voted not to endorse the interpretations of the Library Bill of Rights, developed a response to the interpretations that recommended they not be forwarded to the ALA Council for action at this time, and submitted it to the ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee.

Accepted the ACRL Academic Library Statistics Committee’s five-year review report, approved the name change to ACRL Statistics Committee, and asked the committee to focus its efforts on cooperative activities with the Standards and Accreditation Committee and research ways to coordinate activities with the ACRL unit statistics committees.

Established the “ACRL Leadership Center” that will serve as a clearinghouse for information on leadership, and centralize and coordinate activities and programs that focus on academic librarians as leaders.

Accepted invitation for membership in the Library of Congress’ Network Advisory Committee (NAC).

Approved a plan for implementing a liaison program with nine key external organizations: National Forum on Information Literacy, American Association for Higher Education, American Council on Education, Association of American Colleges and Universities, American Association of Community Colleges, Council of

Independent Colleges, National University Continuing Education Association, National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges, and American Association of University Professors; and funded the program at $9,000 for 1996.

Approved a Conflict of Interest statement for the ACRL Board of Directors.

Approved the ACRL and CHOICE 1996 budgets, which project a deficit for ACRL of approximately $250,000, largely for planning of the 1997 National Conference and new initiatives in support of the new Strategic Plan.

Approved a new charge for the ACRL Membership Committee, changed the committee’s composition, and revised the committee’s list of responsibilities.

Approved fifteen programs recommended by the ACRL Conference Program Planning Committee for the 1996 ALA Annual Conference in New York.

Approved cosponsorship with the Coalition for Networked Information (CNI) of New Learning Communities Program and appointed Tom Kirk to serve as the ACRL liaison to the project.

Established a task force to explore how current and potential efforts of the ACRL Chapters Council and the ACRL Government Relations Committee could be combined and strengthened.
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