

# ACRL Board of Directors' actions, July 2009

## Highlights of the Board's Annual Conference meetings

During the 2009 ALA Annual Conference in Chicago, the ACRL Board of Directors met

on July 11 and 14 and took the following actions:

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### **Strategic Area: Higher Education and Research**

**Goal Area: Advocacy**—ACRL has greater influence on the higher education and research environment.

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**Confirmed its e-mail vote of March 20–27, 2009,** that approved the adoption of the ACRL Legislative Agenda for 2009.

**Approved the appointment of Deborah Malone** for a three-year term as liaison to the National Center for First Year Experience.

**Confirmed its e-mail vote of March 20–27, 2009,** that approved the filing of an amicus brief in concert with ALA and ARL.

**Approved of the establishment of an official liaison relationship** with the American Political Science Association (APSA).

**Confirmed its e-mail vote of March 20–27, 2009,** that approved becoming part of the Library Copyright Alliance.

**Approved the final version of the “ACRL/SAA Joint Statement on Access to Research Materials in Archives and Special Collections Libraries.”** ([www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/acrl/standards/jointstatement.cfm](http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/acrl/standards/jointstatement.cfm))

**Approved the appointment of Mary Carr** for a three-year term as liaison to the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC).

**Approved the final version of, “A Guideline for the Screening and Appointment of Academic Librarians.”** ([www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/acrl/standards/screeningguide.cfm](http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/acrl/standards/screeningguide.cfm))

**Approved the appointment of Ann Dutton Ewbank** for a three-year term as liaison to the American Educational Research Association (AERA).

**Directed the Standards and Accreditation Committee** to work with RBMS to copy edit the final version of the “Guidelines Regarding Security and Theft in Special Collections” and resubmit for a virtual Board action.

**Approved the appointment of Susan Barnes Whyte** for a three-year term as liaison to the Council of Independent Colleges (CIC).

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### **Strategic Area: The Profession**

**Goal Area: Leadership**—ACRL members achieve recognition as leaders and advocates for academic and research libraries. ACRL recruits and develops the next generation of academic and research library leaders.



ACRL Board 2008–09 (l to r): (back) Mary Ellen K. Davis, John A. Lehner, Michael J. LaCroix, Mary M. Carr, Karen A. Williams, Linda A. Kopecky; (front) Elizabeth A. Dupuis, Erika C. Linke, Debbie L. Malone, Theresa S. Byrd, Lori A. Goetsch . Not shown: Locke J. Morrissey, Janis M. Bandelin, Julie B. Todaro.

**Approved continuing to devote energy** and funding resources toward research tools that help librarians demonstrate the value of academic libraries. In particular, approved developing an RFP for an analysis/state of current research report, and allocated up to \$50,000 in funding for research to conduct a systematic meta-analysis of the current research and agreed to review with the Assessment and Research Coordinating Committees their roles in this project. In addition, approved issuing a call for project leaders to develop a toolkit with basic content to be available to members by Midwinter 2010.

**Approved writing a letter of support and** making a \$5,000 contribution to the Council of Independent Colleges for its new round of workshops integrating information fluency into disciplinary curricula.

**Confirmed its e-mail vote of June 11–16,** 2009, that approved the resolution in honor of the 50th anniversary of the RBMS preconference.

**Confirmed its e-mail vote of June 18–25,** 2009, that approved the tribute resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of the ACRL Arts section.

**Approved the resolution recognizing** the 20th anniversary of the National Forum for Information Literacy.

**Approved the resolution recognizing** the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Freedom to Read Foundation.

**Approved the memorial resolution recognizing** the contributions of Judith F. Krug, director of the Office for Intellectual Freedom since 1967 and founder of the Freedom to Read Foundation in 1969, who died April 11, 2009.

**Confirmed its e-mail vote of June 30–July 7,** 2009, that approved the Marjorie Wynne memorial tribute resolution first adopted by the RBMS Executive Committee on May 5, 2009, honoring Wynne's contributions to ACRL's RBMS section and the profession.



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### Strategic Area: The Association

**Goal Area: Membership**—ACRL’s membership growth builds on retaining core membership while recruiting from new and diverse communities.

**Confirmed the interim one-year ap-**pointments of Craig Gibson and Susan Barnes Whyte as the co-coordinators of the Immersion faculty program and asked them to work with the Board and faculty to develop a selection process for faculty and faculty coordinator/dean by Midwinter 2010 that could be implemented in spring 2010.

**Reviewed the recommendations detailed** in the Membership Advisory Committee’s report and requested that the committee incorporate

the recommendations in their annual SMART goals to be reported September 1, 2009.

**Approved the petition to establish the** ACRL Virtual Worlds Interest Group.

**Approved the petition to establish the** ACRL Image Resources Interest Group.

**Approved the petition to establish the** ACRL Academic Library Services to International Students Interest Group.

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### Goal Area: Organizational Vitality and Effectiveness

ACRL will have the fiscal resources, staff expertise, and organizational structure to advance the association’s strategic plan by deploying data driven decision making to drive entrepreneurial activities.

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#### Approved the FY2010 budget with

- Total ACRL revenues (without *Choice*) of \$2,210,999
- Total ACRL expenses (without *Choice*) of \$2,847,342

- Net ACRL revenues (without *Choice*) of \$636,342
- Total *Choice* revenues of \$3,133,247
- Total *Choice* expenses of \$3,439,749
- Total *Choice* net revenues of \$306,502

**Directed staff to defer the planned** FY2009 \$100,000 transfer of funds to the Long-Term Investment (LTI) to improve ALA's cash liquidity in these extraordinary financial times and to meet the covenant of the Bank of America's terms for the CHOICE property.

**Approved the ACRL 2009 Board of Directors** Midwinter Meeting Minutes. ([www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/acrl/about/board/minutes/mw09-finalminutes.pdf](http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/acrl/about/board/minutes/mw09-finalminutes.pdf))

**Confirmed its vote of July 10, 2009, that** approved the revised charges for the Research Coordinating Committee, Research Planning and Review Committee, Research Program Committee, and Assessment Committee as well as the removal of the Assess-

ment Committee from the Research Coordinating Committee Structure.

**Confirmed its e-mail vote of March 20–27, 2009,** that approved the renaming and recharging of the ACRL Statistics Committee.

**Confirmed its e-mail vote of March 20–27, 2009,** that approved the Budget and Finance Committees exemption to appoint a vice-chair.

**Confirmed its e-mail vote of March 20–27, 2009,** that approved the dissolution of the Effective Practices Committee.

**Disbanded the Australian/Canadian/New Zealand Studies** discussion group. ♪

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