Your voice

Thankyou...

I want to thank ALIA president, Dr Alan Bundy, for the recognition that he gave me in his Frontline column in the latest issue of inCite. I have been a champion of cataloguing all my professional career, and it's gratifying to know that I have made a useful contribution. It's particularly pleasing to see that Dr Bundy thinks that cataloguing is fundamental to the role of libraries. I keep saying (to anyone who will listen!) that our cataloguing expertise is one of the things that makes our profession unique. And I absolutely agree that cataloguers need to market themselves better, both within and outside the profession. In my role as the Chair of the Joint Steering Committee for Revision of AACR, I am advocating the development of a campaign to market AACR to leaders in our profession and to members of the wider information profession. The rules should not be one of our best kept secrets!

I support in principle Dr Bundy's proposal for a major national conference, although there are some practical considerations still to be worked through. Despite the continuing success of the Cataloguing Conference, I think it's getting to the point where it will be difficult to maintain its viability in its present form.

Ann Huthwaite, acting branch library manager, Kelvin Grove, Queensland University of Technology Library and chair, Joint Steering Committee for Revision of AACR

Your letters on any issue of relevance to the library and information sector are welcomed.

All letters should be addressed to the inCite editor and may be e-mailed to incite@alia.org.au, or faxed to 02 6282 2249, or posted to: Your voice, ALIA, PO Box E441, Kingston ACT 2604. Please include your name and postal address with your letter or e-mail.

Letters will be accepted for publication until the 18th of the month.



ALIA Annual General Meeting

First notice of Annual General Meeting and call for motions

The 14th Annual General Meeting of the Australian Library and Information Association will be held at 5:00pm on Monday 20 May 2002 at the Harbourside Auditorium 2, Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre.

AGENDA

- 1 Notice of convening meeting
- 2 Apologies
- 3 Minutes of the 2001 AGM
- 4 Presentation of the 2001 Annual report and balance sheet, and income and expenditure account
- 5 Presentation of supplementary balance sheet and supplementary income and expenditure account to 30 April 2002
- 6 Election of Directors
- 7 Fixing of Auditors' fees
- 8 Reports
- 9 General business

RULES OF MEETING

- 1. Motions for discussion at the AGM are to be forwarded in writing to the ALIA executive director, ALIA, PO Box E441, Kingston ACT 2604 by **19 March 2002**. Motions should be signed by the movers either individually or on behalf of a division of the Association. All such motions received will be published in the AGM agenda notice in the April issue of *inCite* and on ALIAnet.
- 2. All motions to be put to the AGM must appear in this published agenda.
- 3. The only items that may be raised under general business are those of an informal nature, or those that are within the scope of the business already laid down. Motions of a substantial nature relating to items not covered in the notice of the meeting will not be allowed.
- 4. If any item of urgency arises which is not within the business of the meeting, the chairperson has the power to accept it without notice or rule that due notice must be given.
- 5. All motions additional to those on the printed agenda and in accordance with rule 4, and amendments, shall be in writing, signed by the movers (forms will be provided), and delivered to the chair.
- 6. When addressing the chair, the person desiring recognition will properly identify themselves, giving his or her name and affiliation. Only ALIA members may speak.
- 7. Debate shall be limited to three minutes for each speaker, no speaker may have the floor twice on the same question until all who wish to speak have spoken.
- 8. Proxies. To be valid, proxies must be in the form set out in the Constitution item 8.2 and be in the hands of the ALIA executive director, ALIA, PO Box E441, Kingston ACT 2604, e-mail address: enquiry@alia.org.au, by Spm on 18 May 2002. Proxy forms must not specify how the holder of the proxy is to vote on specific areas. A form is available from ALIA National Office or on ALIAnet at http://www.alia.org.au/governance/meetings/agm/2002.proxy.html
- 9. By general consent, if there be no objection, or by a two-thirds vote, any rule governing the debate may be suspended.
- 10. The chairperson's rulings on procedural matters may not be debated. The reference for rules and their interpretation by the parliamentarian will be Joske's *The law and procedure at meetings in Australia*, 8th ed, 1994. A parliamentarian will be appointed to advise the chairperson on procedures and to assist in determining the results of a poll of members present if necessary.

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