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# The work of the ALIA Board

The ALIA Board has met twice in as many months, on 19 September prior to the Click06 Biennial Conference and in conjunction with the National Advisory Congress, as well as in Canberra on 16th October. Both meetings have focussed on our two main strategic priorities, governance and finance.

### At the September meeting in Perth

The Finance, Audit and Risk Management Standing Committee, chaired by Dagmar Schmidmaier has undertaken considerable work to enable ALIA to manage and grow its financial resources more effectively. With continuing emphasis on strengthening and supporting ALIA groups, the Board approved revised group budget guidelines and further delegation to the Executive Director regarding group administration.

The Conferences and Professional Development Standing Committee, chaired by Ann Ritchie, has noted issues raised at regional NAC meetings that will require further consideration. The Board also discussed how to further relationships with our institutional members. Details of ALIA Board Standing Committees are now online at <http://alia.org.au/governance/committees/standing/>.

The National Advisory Congress was held at the Biennial Conference in Perth. A report of the NAC is on page 15 of this issue of *inCite*. Board members attended the NAC and heard reports from the regional meetings and direct feedback from members regarding the proposed changes to governance arrangements. All ALIA members should note that a General Meeting is booked for Thursday 30th November at UNSW for members to vote on the proposed changes. Notice of the meeting is on page 31 of this issue. The full details about and the wording of all proposed changes are available at <http://alia.org.au/governance/>. All members are invited to attend or to arrange proxy votes for the meeting.

### At the October meeting in Canberra

Ian McCallum, the new editor of the *Australian Library Journal* from 2007, made a short presentation to the Board on ALIA's flagship journal and possibilities for its future.

A revised Policy Statement on Library and Information Services and Indigenous Peoples was approved and will be released at the AIAT-SIS 2Deadly conference in November 2006. (More information about 2Deadly can be found in the October issue of *inCite*, on page 10.)

An investment strategy to grow ALIA's financial base was approved with a view to re-investing more for the future.

The Board agreed to support the ALIA/ASLA Policy Advisory Group proposal for a joint School Libraries Research Project between ALIA, ASLA and ECU.

### On to November...

Our last Board meeting for the year will be held on Thursday 30th November 2006, before the General Meeting that evening. Agendas of Board meetings are available at <http://alia.org.au/governance/board/meetings.html>. Board meeting dates for 2007 will be found at <http://alia.org.au/governance/board/meetings.html>. ✽

## Local liaison officers

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## Thanks to all neXus respondents

Thank you to everyone who completed the neXus survey on ALIANet in October. This important survey will provide ALIA and our profession with essential data for the future.

Updates on the survey will be available at <http://alia.org.au/employment/workforce/>. ✽

## Who's where

### Recent movements in the library and information sector

#### New Library Board members in Victoria

The President of the Library Board of Victoria, the Honorary John Cain, has announced the appointment of **Robyn Annear**, **Violeta Braach-Maksvytis** and **John McLean** to the Library Board of Victoria. Robyn Annear is an historian and the author of several books. Professor Violeta Braach-Maksvytis is Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Innovation and Development at the University of Melbourne. John McLean is the CEO of the City of Greater Bendigo.

#### New director for NT DHCS

From 30 October, **Ann Ritchie** will be the Director of the Department of Health and Community Services' Information Services – Darwin.

#### Promotion at Wyndham

**Tanya Barry**, formerly the Children's and Youth Services Librarian, is now Children's and Youth Library Services Co-ordinator for Wyndham City Council Library Service, in charge of children's services.

#### University of Sunshine Coast

As of 21 August, **Sandra Jeffries** is Director, Information Services at the University of Sunshine Coast, Maroochydore.

#### ACER appointment

Previously at CSIRO as the Executive Manager, Record Services, **Lance Deveson** has been accepted the position of Library and Information Manager with the Australian Council for Educational Research. ✽