

2018 Annual Business Meeting

1:30 pm Thursday, February 8, 2018 Westin Hotel, Westminster, CO

MINUTES

1. Call to order

President Dietmar Wolfram called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m., a quorum having been established. John Budd served as Parliamentarian.

2. Adoption of Rules

The rules for the ALISE Annual Business Meeting were adopted by consent.

3. Adoption of Agenda

The agenda for the 2018 meeting was adopted by consent.

4. In Memoriam

President Wolfram read a list of names of members who had passed away during 2017. He asked members to observe a moment of silence in memory of the deceased.

5. President's Report

President Wolfram reviewed events and achievements during his presidential year. Items of note are the association's progress on the 2017-2020 Strategic Plan; development of published proceedings for the ALISE Conference; transitioning JELIS to University of Toronto press and the addition of Scopus ranking for JELIS; the transition of the ALISE Statistical Data Project from University of Alabama to Old Dominion University.

President Wolfram extended his thanks to Peta Wellstead, outgoing editor of JELIS; Shimelis Assefa and Peiling Wang, the co-chairs of the 2018 conference; Andrew Estep, Karen Thompson, and SBI staff for their support during his presidential term; outgoing board members Louise Spiteri, Leeanne Bowler, and Denice Adkins.

6. Financial Report

Adkins reported on the financial status of the association. The unaudited financial statement was distributed with the agenda. While the association had a negative balance in 2017, it was noted that ALISE had more income and fewer expenses than in 2016. Changes in the conference timing and journal publisher may influence association finances in 2018.

7. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Estep noted the strengths of the 2017 conference. He indicated that personal membership in ALISE had declined, but that institutional membership had increased, particularly among international membership. He advised all institutional members to take note of the institutional member advertisement square on the web site, and asked them to make sure their institution was represented. Finally, he concluded that all members were invited to reach out to ALISE Office via phone or email, as they are happy to answer member questions.

8. Committee Reports

Reports were presented in writing upon entering the room.

9. Unfinished Business

President Wolfram noted that there was no unfinished business.

10. New Business

- a. *Bylaws Update*. An update to the ALISE bylaws were presented to members, reflecting changes to the structure of association meetings and changing conference date. Bylaws update was moved, seconded, and approved by acclamation.
- b. *Membership Dues Increase*. An increase in personal membership dues was presented to members, increasing membership by \$5 per month for the next three years. Membership dues increase was moved, seconded, and approved by acclamation.
- c. *Recognition of outgoing board members*. President Wolfram recognized outgoing board members Louise Spiteri, Leanne Bowler, and Denice Adkins.

11. Induction of New President

Heidi Julien was inducted as the 2018-2019 President of ALISE.

12. Presidential Remarks

President Julien presented a list of her priorities for her presidential year. These include first, continuing to implement the ALISE Strategic Plan; second, enhancing the financial situation of the organization; third, to offer conference attendees an excellent 2019 conference; fourth, to increase ALISE membership by offering services of interest to members in our areas, related areas, and internationally; fifth, continue working with the American Library Association Committee on Accreditation regarding LIS program accreditation; sixth, continue working with SBI during the shifting of the conference schedule; and seventh, to ensure a successful transition of JELIS to University of Toronto Press and a new editor, as well as increasing the reputation and visibility of the journal. She advised members to please renew their memberships as soon as they come due, as association finances are dependent upon membership revenues.

13. Julien adjourned the meeting at 2:13 p.m.

Minutes approved March 5, 2018	