



2020 Annual Business Meeting
October 22, 2020, 1:00-2:00 pm ET
Virtual Meeting

APPROVED MINUTES

1. Call to Order

President Stephen Bajjaly called the meeting to order at 1:01 ET 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 2020 meeting was adopted by consent.

4. Approval of 2019 Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the 2019 Business Meeting were adopted by consent.

5. In Memoriam

President Bajjaly read a list of names of members who had passed away since the 2019 Annual Conference. He asked members to observe a moment of silence in memory of the deceased.

6. President's Report

President Bajjaly reviewed events and achievements during his time as president. Items of note include work on the strategic plan; producing a narrative ALISE Statistical Report; expanding and changing the ALISE working committees; establishing the iFederation in conjunction with the iSchools and ASIST; and re-envisioning the Council of Dean, Directors, and Program Chairs as a year-round working body.

President Bajjaly extended his thanks to his Board colleagues, especially President-Elect Sandra Hirsh, Past-President Heidi Julien; JELIS editors John Budd and Denice Adkins; book series editors Dietmar Wolfram and Jaya Raju; 2020 conference co-chairpersons, Suliman Hawamdeh and Keren Dali and the volunteers who supported the conference; Hannah Gunderman for managing the conference proceedings; and to Executive Director Cambria Happ and meeting planner Linda Bailey for their support, including for this year's virtual conference.

7. Financial Report

Moulaison Sandy reported on the financial status of the Association. A summary of the ALISE financial reports as of December 31, 2019 was distributed with the agenda and via the ALISE website.

ALISE ended FY19 with a net income of around \$62,000; this is considerably higher than the net incomes in FY18 and FY17. Reasons cited included lower expenses in FY19, ALISE performing better than budgeted in all but two classes, extremely strong membership revenues, and lower than budgeted general expenses. Last year's ALISE '19 conference exceeded the net income goal despite lower attendance, due in part to the decision to reduce the number of conference days, host the ALISE Annual Conference in smaller cities, and decouple from ALA Midwinter.

In May 2020, ALISE had a financial review conducted for FY19; that review found ALISE statements to be in order.

Going forward, ALISE is working hard to continue to ensure its financial stability into the future.

8. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Happ reviewed some highlights from the year, including that the ALISE website was refreshed, providing a mobile-friendly design; the second Leadership Academy was held in January; webinars continue to be offered to great success, with 369 attendees so far this year; the ALISE Book Series was launched, and two titles now being available; *JELIS* continues to publish successfully, and the page count has increased; and ALISE has produced its first virtual conference – exceeding attendance from ALISE '19.

9. Unfinished Business

President Bajjaly noted that there was no unfinished business.

10. New Business

- a. ***Recognition of outgoing board members.*** President Bajjaly recognized outgoing board members Heidi Julien and Rong Tang.

11. Induction of New President

Sandra Hirsh was inducted as the 2020-2021 President of ALISE.

12. Presidential Remarks

President Hirsh thanked Past-President Bajjaly for his service as the 2019-2020 President of ALISE. President Hirsh emphasized her ongoing focus on implementing the new strategic plan. In particular, this coming year, President Hirsh will focus on four priorities: 1) to deepen member engagement, including through the creation of new committees; 2) to continue the internationalization of ALISE; 3) to enhance collaboration and partnerships, including with iFederation; and 4) to increase professional development and virtual offerings, which will enable ALISE to be more of a “year-round” association and provide more value to ALISE members.

13. Kickoff to 2021

The ALISE 2021 Conference will be held in Milwaukee, WI, September 21-23, 2021; the theme is Crafting a Resilient Future: Leadership, Education, & Inspiration. Sue Alman from San Jose State University and Kim Thompson from University of South Carolina will co-chair.

14. Adjournment

President Hirsh adjourned the meeting at 1:32 pm ET.

Minutes approved September 23, 2021

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Heather Moulaison Sandy, Secretary/Treasurer