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STATEMENTS OF CANDIDATES FOR 1973-74 InULA OFFICES

Office of President

During the past year, it has been my pleasure to serve as treasurer of InULA and, therefore, to be a member of the executive board. I feel that during the past year InULA has made major strides in serving all aspects of the profession at Indiana University to bring together new ideas and, in general, to serve as a forum for our own self-betterment and information. These have always been the goals of InULA and I feel that they are valid goals, indeed, and ought to be maintained for the future.

It is apparent that InULA has arrived at a new stage in its existence. The organization of the faculty, the existence of LACHAS further defined the goals and the areas of concern of InULA. Our mem-

bership has grown. We have arrived at a stage where we have a possibility of blossoming into an organization which may be even more active than InULA has been in the past. For instance, with our increased financial solvency during the past year, I think we are now in the position to begin considering funding, either on a total or partial basis, institutes, workshops, and conferences to bring in guest lecturers and experts in our profession as part of a continuing education program that would reach to resources beyond those included within Indiana University. I feel that this is a proper role for InULA to play. It is an important role for InULA to play. It is also obvious that we need to take a serious look at the planning of next year's events. This is an issue that must be dealt with if we are to continue to grow. We must plan a calendar of events sufficiently far in advance so that it can have some degree of relationship to each other and a sense of scope and development. Within this program we must develop a better sense of communication within InULA as a system-wide organization. Therefore, we must have at least one of the monthly meetings at a regional campus. Librarians on the Bloomington campus can well benefit from visiting a regional campus and becoming intrinsically aware of problems that our fellow professionals feel on regional campuses. We must hold at least one, perhaps two, meetings at Indianapolis. Our membership files unfortunately show that we are predominantly a Bloomington-based organization. We ought to take positive steps to not only expand our membership to areas beyond Bloomington, but to make sure that, as an organization, we do things of value to our fellow professionals at other campuses of Indiana University. Similarly, if we get into organizing institutes, workshops, conferences, etc., I believe that some amount of coordination ought to go on between these events and our normal monthly meetings. Therefore, I think that the program and social committee of InULA must have substantial direction from the Executive Board and from the membership, in general, in promoting an "overview" of our activities for the coming year. This must be done shortly after the beginning of the tenure of the new Executive Board.

In keeping with the above expressed sentiments, I believe that

more can be done to further communication or, perhaps, to remove miscommunication between the Executive Board and the membership. Perhaps, ideas such as having the agendas of the Executive Board distributed in advance or, at least, posted in key places so that members who may want to attend an open session of the Executive Board can do so. Maybe there should be a combination of open and closed sessions of the Executive Board. But, in any event, it does seem evident to me that there needs to be more two-way communication between the Executive Board as a planning body and the membership. In the past, the communication has been a bit one-way. The Executive Board does something and reports its findings or its decisions to the membership for its confirmation. It has worked effectively in the past. But, I think that as this organization grows it is incumbent for us to develop some technique of insuring two-way communication so that input can come from all levels of the membership drawing upon the talents of all of our members in developing programs of substantial worth in the future.

Another area in which I believe InULA can be of substantial service to its members is for it to become an agency that seeks to identify organizations and agencies of the University, etc., which may have programs or services of interest to the membership. Also, they might offer opportunities to individual members which might have ramifications for inter-organizational cooperation. I think InULA can serve an unique role in this regard, a role which cannot be served by any other librarian organization.

It has been, I believe, a fruitful year for InULA and I look forward to an exciting and equally fruitful year next year. In any event, I expect to be an active participant in InULA activities.

David Fenske

InULA is presently at a turning point. We were established for legitimate and worthwhile reasons, but many of our labors have been taken over by the newly formed Library Faculty. Some people have thus proposed InULA's dissolution, claiming that it has been obviated,

and that all it can be now is a social organization. But this view does not include all the alternatives. They are not the alternatives I would choose.

InULA, after all, is a professional organization. Its constituents have control over what it will or will not do. We can dissolve; we can be a social group; or we can be a complement to the Library Faculty, performing in those areas where the Faculty cannot, leaving to the Faculty those duties best accomplished by them.

Since its founding in the late 1960's, InULA has been primarily an introverted organization. We have quite rightly been concerned with our own problems, just as a growing child begins with the impression that he is the center of the universe, and that he is the only worthy object of his own and others' attention. InULA is ready to mature. It is time now to turn our attention somewhat outward. We need to see ourselves as a unit of the university and as members of an environment which reaches far beyond the university.

One of our first steps then must be to make ourselves known. As an organization we are capable of sponsoring various kinds of events, and such activities as those which have previously been restricted to National Library Week. We have already created an ad hoc Committee to investigate the establishment of an I.U. Library Foundation; this work should be continued. All these activities, carried out year around and not restricted to National Library Week, should push us to the surface and make us noticable as an organization.

At that point we can then turn our attention full force to "selling" the library, and to making the university community aware of the importance of this vital institution.

Monty Maxwell

The next year will be a difficult and important one for InULA. As the library faculty is defined and organized, certain functions which in the past have been handled by InULA will now gravitate to the library faculty organization, where they rightfully belong. In order to grow as an organization, InULA will need to place more em-

phasis on being an association with state-wide membership and less emphasis on being the voice of the IUB library faculty. It should become involved in those issues of librarianship which are of interest to all academic librarians. I would like to see InULA interacting with other professional organizations. If there is a national movement toward the proposed formation of an Association of Academic Librarians, it might be appropriate for InULA to participate in that movement.

Now that our organization has a sound financial basis, I would propose to use some of those finances to support an expanded program of continuing education with emphasis on obtaining outside guest speakers with new ideas to offer us. I favor continuing our sponsorship of programs in affiliation with the Graduate Library School and COIL. Further, programs should be developed which would result in meetings at the various regional campuses. Hopefully, such meetings will help to broaden our membership base.

I would like to see InULA review its membership rules and consider redrafting them in order to expand both our regular and associate membership. This may be a difficult task, since this year's proposed changes in our constitution were defeated by too small a membership response on the ballot. However, we should continue to seek those constitutional changes which will allow us to have a more diversified and less internal membership.

We should continue the excellent work already begun on the formation of the Library Foundation. We should seek to improve and expand our NLW activities. We should act as an open forum for new ideas and programs brought before us by our members. I would like to see our organization committed to the concept of involving librarians, new to InULA, in committee work and on programs.

Finally, I believe InULA should continue to work as a supportive group to facilitate the formation of the library faculty organization. We should pursue our program of supplying ideas and assistance until that organization is sufficiently formed to be able to stand alone.

Julie Nilson

Office of Vice-President

I would like to see InULA continue its work toward the following goals during the next year:

1. Serving as an educational forum for librarians:

This should include not only our existing programs of speakers on topics of current interest and trips to other library systems, but also broadening this to a sponsorship of workshops and seminars.

2. Bringing the state-wide membership closer:

I feel that the librarians in Bloomington must have closer contact with the members in Indianapolis and with those in the regional campus libraries. Having at least one program a year at one of these campuses and sponsoring programs in Bloomington when all of the regional campus librarians meet would help in accomplishing this.

3. Working with the clerical organization, COIL:

I would like to see InULA continue to have social functions with COIL, to continue their participation in programs sponsored by InULA and to encourage their willingness to share ideas with us.

4. Promoting university-wide participation with the library:

InULA should work for more activities involving student-faculty participation with the library. We should continue to give our wholehearted support to the National Library Week program. Now that it is a strong program in Bloomington, support should be given to these members on other campuses also interested in such a program.

5. Promoting service within the community:

InULA should look for ways of using the special talents of the librarians and the services and resources of the library to assist those members who are interested in more involvement in community service. We could work closer with the public librarians to help set up programs to which we might contribute.

Marian Shaaban

InULA must be prepared to carry out its purposes while adjusting to a changing library and university environment in the coming year. This will require a strong President and Executive Board to lead the organization and develop new programs.

With the advent of faculty status and a library faculty organization, InULA should still continue to lead all librarians in bringing the highest service and professional status to Indiana University librarians. The image of librarians within the University is a critical point, and InULA can aid in improving this image in seeking more opportunities for growth and development for the individual librarian, whether it be through courses, conferences, committees, seminars or other means. The university community needs to become better acquainted with librarians and their services. InULA can and should become a focal point in demonstrating both the needs and performance of librarians.

We should also continue to encourage librarians at the campuses to become active members of the organization, for their benefit as well as ours.

Barbara Henn

Office of Secretary

With the advent of library faculty status for librarians and formation of a strong library faculty organization, it seems to me, now more than ever, Indiana University Library must have a viable professional association. InULA must turn now more directly to the roll of professional development. The secretary of any organization is charged with the responsibility of reporting objectively and concisely the affairs of that body. I would willingly accept this responsibility if elected to be secretary of InULA.

Shere Connan

This will be a critical year in our changing patterns of library organization, and it is vital that InULA continue to function vigorously, actively continuing its established functions, and also exploring new ways to contribute to the life of the library and the professional growth of librarians. We should also seek active participation in InULA activities by many members from all areas of the library. I believe the secretary should keep full and accurate records, and also take an active part in planning and carrying out a strong program of activity, and this is what I would do. I will have completed other committee obligations by July and would be able to devote adequate time to the carrying out of these responsibilities.

Nancy Cridland

Office of Treasurer

I am honored by your nomination for the post of treasurer, and would serve conscientiously if elected. My sole credentials, however, consist of proximity to a past treasurer for advice and counsel, access to a sophisticated calculating machine, and an unsophisticated antipathy towards hidden funds or figure fudgery.

Joan Brewer

The office of treasurer is technical in nature and probably not much can be said creatively concerning the responsibilities of that office which are specified by the constitution. While the characteristics of the office of treasurer may lack room for flexibility, accuracy and accountability to the membership must naturally be stressed. Perhaps the only other comments that might be offered regarding the treasurer's monetary duties is light mention of past positions of treasurer held in two organizations of similar size, whatever that is worth.

Probably more attention should be given to the treasurer's role on the Executive Board of InULA for that Board plays a key part in

giving InULA direction and dynamic quality through its leadership and selection of committee members, and the points candidates feel should be stressed in that context.

As the Library Faculty Organization develops, the mission of InULA may require clarification relating to that organization. Efforts of InULA activities and the workings of the Faculty Organization should not be duplicative but complementary. With this in mind, I feel InULA has greater meaning if it represents the University system as a whole, insuring that librarians on all campuses become tied as closely as possible to InULA. Ways and means to assure an active role in InULA by librarians from all campuses should be investigated and developed.

InULA can play two roles that are important to the University's library community. InULA can serve as a forum for presentation and examination of ideas, utilizing human resources in the University's community and those in the library field outside of InU. In this role, InULA can stimulate innovation, continuing education, and constructive change. An organization justifies its existence by the quality of its programs. The Executive Board must work to keep InULA thriving and active. Secondly, InULA can assist in professional development, i.e. the work of the kind done within the Professional Advancement Committee needs to be continued, emphasized, developed, and implemented.

Larry Fortado

Office of Member-at-Large

Since I have not had the opportunity to meet and to know many of the Bloomington and Regional Campus Library Faculty, let me introduce myself by stating that I have been at the Indiana University School of Medicine Library for the past four years in charge of state wide library services for the medical and allied health professions as well as all inter-library loan services. Prior to that time, I worked at Purdue University in their Audio-Visual Center while I completed my MLS. From 1966 to 1968 I was a library intern in the

Regional Campus Library System.

I believe I am the only candidate this year from outside the Bloomington campus and as many of us from Indianapolis and the Regional Campuses have been anxious to participate in I.U. System library affairs, I will be most earnest in trying my best to bring to InULA the wishes and hopes of fellow librarians from areas outside the Bloomington Campus.

Since the purposes and directions of InULA may be somewhat changed during the next year with the advent of our new Library Faculty status, the forthcoming months will likely see transitions into new and different roles. There is much yet to be done in both the professional and the academic "houses". Greater co-operation with State and National Library and Academic Associations should be fostered. New and innovative continuing education opportunities in co-operation with G.L.S. should be investigated. There are still many goals for the professional librarian which are yet to be won.

Virginia Humnicky

With the rapid involvement of the library faculties and their attendant high levels of responsibility in acting as the primary instruments of the library faculty, InULA may be inescapably faced with a period of intrinsic change.

Furthermore, precisely due to the introspective nature of the faculties, it is of major importance to increase the number and percentage of Regional Campus librarians interacting with those on the Bloomington Campus, through InULA. It could improve upon its function as the major coordinating organ between the campuses, and gather the flow of people, problems, ideas, thereby becoming the center for cooperative activities.

Of another matter, it might also continue to increase its community-service (academic and non-academic) involvement, based of course on the advice of the membership.

As member at large, I would hope to have a hand in expediting the crossing of this transformation period and would most willingly

listen to all ideas, as well as accept whatever responsibility is asked, giving my fullest cooperation to the members.

Laurel Jizba

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