



# ALIA Board of Directors meeting

## Take home messages

Friday 9 March 2018

ALIA House, Canberra

### Present

Vicki McDonald (President and Chair)  
Lyndall Ley Osborne (Vice-President)  
Jane Cowell  
Jonathon Guppy

Marian Morgan-Bindon  
Anne Reddacliff  
Monika Szunejko

## Meeting summary

The Board of Directors held their first meeting for 2018 and were joined for a portion of the meeting by ALIA Members.

### 1. Advocacy

The Board reviewed a report, '[Australian libraries support the Sustainable Development Goals](#)', produced by ALIA, the Australian Public Library Alliance (APLA) and National and State Libraries Australasia (NSLA). The report features case studies of outstanding library programs in every state and territory and has been favourably received by the international library community and relevant federal ministries.

### 2. ALIA Events

The Board was pleased to review recent successful ALIA events including the [ALIA 80<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations](#), and [Library Lovers' Day](#). They also noted ALIA support for the [Chief Scientist's Storytime Pledge](#).

### 3. ALIA Conferences

The Board received an update on the planning for upcoming ALIA conferences, symposiums and summits. The [Asia-Pacific Library and Information Conference](#) to be held on the Gold Coast from 30 July 2018 was particularly noted. Delegate registrations and library partner exhibitors and sponsorship arrangements for the conference are all tracking well.

### 4. Committee Appointments

The Board approved the formation of an Education Advisory Committee to provide advice and support for the ALIA Accreditation process and assist with other LIS education related activities



including a review of the [ALIA Foundation knowledge, skills and attributes](#) for information professionals policy statement. The Board confirmed the appointment of Anne Bell, Anne Girolami, Professor Gillian Hallam, Cheryl Hamill, Dr Jo Hanisch, Kym Holden, Ebe Kartus, Kathryn Leong, Terri Pamment, Professor Helen Partridge, Dr Bob Pymm and Geoff Stempel to the Committee.

The Board was also pleased to approve the appointment of Susan Courtland, Karen Crawford and Pat Stott as members of the recently formed National Library Technicians Advisory Committee.

Further details about the ALIA Advisory Committees can be found on the [ALIA website](#).

### 5. CILIP Statement of Understanding

The Board considered an additional agreement between ALIA and the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (CILIP) to extend the recognition of qualifications between the two associations to include the Vocational Diploma qualifications at the Library Technician level. The agreement also incorporates the Professional Development requirements of ALIA and CILIP for recognition as Certified Professional members of ALIA and Chartered members of CILIP.

Details about ALIA recognition and assessment of overseas qualifications can be found at this [link](#). Further information about ALIA agreements with other library sector associations is available on the [ALIA Member Centre](#), Member Resources Section.

### 6. Membership Fees

The Board approved the membership fees for 2018/19, with no increase for Personal Members and a 2% increase for Institutional Members. The updated fee schedule will be available shortly on the [ALIA Member Centre](#).

### 7. Course Accreditation

The Board reviewed a report from the Course Accreditation Panel and confirmed the red level accreditation of the Pacific Technical and Further Education (TAFE) Diploma of Library and Information Services course until January 2020.

The Board was also pleased to confirm the gold level reaccreditation to University of Technology Sydney until March 2023 for both the Master of Digital Information Management and the Graduate Diploma in Digital Information Management.

Details of ALIA accredited courses are available on the [ALIA website](#).

### 8. INCITE Digital Edition

A digital edition of INCITE, to be made available at the beginning of May 2018, was demonstrated for Board members. This will be ALIA's first digital only issue of INCITE and will be produced as an interactive pdf.



## 9. Finance

The Board considered the financial reports for December 2017 and January 2018, noting that the 2017 financial year concluded with a small surplus. The Board also reviewed and approved a capital expenditure submission for an essential upgrade to the ALIA information technology platform and maintenance of ALIA House.

## 10. Board Election Update

The Board noted that the election for the 2018-2019 Board of Directors was underway, and will conclude on 13 April.

Further information about the election process is available on the [ALIA website](#).

The next Board meeting will be held on Tuesday 15 May 2018 and followed by the ALIA Annual General Meeting to be held at ALIA House at 6pm.