



## NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

InCite No 12 carried a summary of the decisions of General Council relating to the Corporate Plan and Review Report. However there are several items for which a more detailed explanation might be useful. Comment on the proposed changes is called for and should be sent to the Executive Director by 31 August.

### Composition of Council and the Executive Committee

Council will now comprise the following:

Vice-President (President-elect)

President

Past President

Chairman of the Board of Education

8 General Councillors, one elected from each state and territory.

The Executive will now consist of:

Vice-President (President-elect)

President

Past President

2 General Councillors elected by General Council

Chairman of the Board of Education.

The Executive Director sits on both the Executive Committee and General Council *ex officio*.

### Membership Fee Categories

In the last report the fee categories were listed as:

Librarian mentors

Librarians

Library Technicians

Personal members

Special members

Institutional members.

Because the Association is broadening its base to encompass people working in the related information industry, and because it is conceivable that some information personnel will, in the future, be admitted to professional membership (Recommendation 31), the categories will need to be somewhat broadened. Council has not finalised the titles of these categories but suggested titles are:

Mentors

Professional members

Technician members

Personal members

Special members

Institutional members.

The category of mentor has been introduced because a number of members who are paying at the higher levels of membership have stated that they saw no reason why their membership fees should be lowered. The mentor category will be a voluntary one, the fee will be higher and persons who join the category will be expected to act as a mentor and encourage younger members of the profession. It is not expected that the category will be a large one but that some members will wish to support the Association at a higher level than the majority.

The decisions of Council relating to the Corporate Plan and Review were presented to the Annual General Meeting held in Darwin on 2 July.

The membership provided some comment to Council and made some further good suggestions of which Council has taken note. Many of these can be built into the framework of the new Association built up by Council.

Don't forget, further comments are invited by 31 August.

Jenny Adams  
Executive Director

### Library Association of Australia

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

Election of TWO members by the membership of the Association

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Membership of the Board of Education is as follows:

- three professional members elected by the Professional Committee of General Council;
- seven members, of whom at least four must be professional members, elected by the membership-at-large of the Association;
- the President of the Association *ex officio*;
- the Executive Director as a non-voting executive member. (By-law 24)

The terms of office of three members of the Board end on 30 April 1987. Two members are now to be elected by the membership of the Association to hold office until 30 April 1990. The Professional Committee of General Council will elect the third member.

Nominations are hereby called for the two positions. Nominees must be financial members of the Association. They need not be professional members, however to comply with By-law 24 at least one of the two members elected must be a professional member.

Nominations shall be:

- in writing;
- signed by two financial members of the Association;
- countersigned by the nominee;
- accompanied by a curriculum vitae (giving full details of academic and professional qualifications) and a statement of concerns, each to be not more than 100 words.

Nominations close with the Executive Director, Library Association of Australia, 376 Jones Street, Ultimo NSW 2007 at 5 pm on 1 September 1986.

Board members retiring on 30 April 1987 are Mairead Browne, Edward Parr and Janette Wright. They are eligible for re-election.

Other members of the Board are Marianne Broadbent, Twila Herr, Jeanette Knox, Moira MacKinnon, Michael Middleton, Helen O'Brien and Eric Wainwright.

## INDUSTRIAL NEWS

### National Wage Case — June 1986

A full bench of the Australian Arbitration Commission handed down the National Wage Case decision of 26 June, 1986. It provides for a 2.3% increase in award rates from the first pay period commencing on or after 1 July 1986, subject to a no extra claims undertaking by the unions. The next national wage adjustment is expected to operate six months later.

### Decision in non-teachers' case — Victorian non-government schools

The full bench of the Industrial Relations Commission of Victoria handed down its decision in the non-teachers' case on 4 June 1986. The decision effectively gives coverage of library technicians and most other ancillary staff working in Victorian non-government schools to the three unions representing teachers in non-government schools. Work will now commence on establishing appropriate awards for these categories of staff.

### LISU —FMWU Merger — NSW

The proposed merger between the Library and Information Staff Union and the Federated Miscellaneous Workers Union NSW Branch progressing smoothly before the NSW Industrial Registrar. An FMWU research officer has been revising the log of claims with a view to re-opening negotiations with the employers.

### RSI Draft Model Code of Practice

Work Safe Australia (the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission) has released a draft Model Code of Practice for the Prevention of RSI. It covers such areas as: preventative strategies for RSI, the management of RSI, the availability of occupational health services and research into RSI in Australia. The draft Model Code of Practice available from AGPS bookshops.

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