

Your voice

Home educators support public libraries

Great to see Alle Goldworthy's article on the (South Australian) Premier's reading challenge (*inCite*, Jan–Feb 2005). As a home education advocate I was also delighted to see reference made to the growing community of home education families being involved. As a community we cover a wide spectrum of philosophical and educational approaches to learning but we are as close as we can be to unanimous in our support of the public library system.

Bernie Ryan, Clearview SA

Praise for ALIANet

I just wanted to pass on my congratulations to you all for the wonderful work that you have done and continue to do with the maintenance of ALIANet! It is a great service that I refer to frequently.

Also, the e-mail service that you have provided for members for so many years has provided me with a stable address, while I continue to work as a contractor.

Thank you all.

Jeanette Regan, Pearce ACT

Your letters on any issue of relevance to the library and information sector are welcomed.

All letters should be addressed to the *inCite* editor and may be e-mailed to incite@alia.org.au, or faxed to 02 6282 2249, or posted to: Your voice, ALIA, PO Box 6335, Kingston 2604. Please include your name and postal address with your letter or e-mail.

Letters will be accepted for publication until the 18th of the month.



Australian
Library and
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Association

President Imogen Garner and directors invite members

to join them at 6:00pm Thursday 19 May 2005 for the

ALIA Annual General Meeting

Agenda and rules of meeting

The 17th Annual General Meeting of the Australian Library and Information Association will be held at 6:00pm on Thursday 19 May 2005 at ALIA House, 9–11 Napier Close, Deakin ACT.

AGENDA

- 1 Notice of convening meeting
- 2 Apologies
- 3 Minutes of the 2004 AGM
- 4 Presentation of the 2004 Annual report financial statements
- 5 Presentation of supplementary balance sheet and supplementary income and expenditure account to 30 April 2005
- 6 Election of Directors
- 7 Fixing of Auditors' fees
- 8 Reports
- 9 Special resolution: motion

That the constitution of ALIA be amended by making the following changes:

In all locations listed below the word Policy in the phrase National Policy Congress be amended to the word Advisory

- Contents: 12
- Section 12
- Clause 12 (a)
- Clause 12 (b)
- Clause 12 (c)
- Clause 12 (d)
- Clause 13.3 (a) (v)
- Clause 13.5 (b)
- Clause 13.6 (a) (iii)

Rationale on ALIANet at:

<http://alia.org.au/governance/meetings/agm/2005.special.resolution.html>

Moved: Imogen Garner, ALIA president

Seconded: Gillian Hallam, ALIA vice-president

- 10 General business: no motions received

RULES OF MEETING

1. Motions for discussion at the AGM are to be forwarded in writing to the ALIA executive director, ALIA, PO Box 6335, Kingston ACT 2604 by **18 March 2005**. Motions should be signed by the movers either individually or on behalf of a division of the Association. All such motions received will be published in the AGM agenda notice in the April issue of *inCite* and on ALIANet.
 2. All motions to be put to the AGM must appear in this published agenda.
 3. The only items that may be raised under general business are those of an informal nature, or those that are within the scope of the business already laid down. Motions of a substantial nature relating to items not covered in the notice of the meeting will not be allowed.
 4. If any item of urgency arises which is not within the business of the meeting, the chairperson has the power to accept it without notice or rule that due notice must be given.
 5. All motions additional to those on the printed agenda and in accordance with rule 4, and amendments, shall be in writing, signed by the movers (forms will be provided), and delivered to the chair.
 6. When addressing the chair, the person desiring recognition will properly identify themselves, giving his or her name and affiliation. Only ALIA members may speak.
 7. Debate shall be limited to three minutes for each speaker, no speaker may have the floor twice on the same question until all who wish to speak have spoken.
 8. Proxies. To be valid, proxies must be in the form set out in the *Constitution* — item 8.2 and be in the hands of the ALIA executive director, ALIA, PO Box 6335, Kingston ACT 2604, e-mail address: enquiry@alia.org.au, by **6:00pm on 17 May 2005**. Proxy forms must not specify how the holder of the proxy is to vote on specific areas. A proxy must also be a member. A form is available from ALIA National Office or on ALIANet at <http://alia.org.au/governance/meetings/agm/2005.proxy.html>
 9. By general consent, if there be no objection, or by a two-thirds vote, any rule governing the debate may be suspended.
 10. The chairperson's rulings on procedural matters may not be debated. The reference for rules and their interpretation by the parliamentarian will be Joske's *The law and procedure at meetings in Australia*, 8th ed, 1994. A parliamentarian will be appointed to advise the chairperson on procedures and to assist in determining the results of a poll of members present if necessary.
- All members are invited to attend. Please RSVP to: Mary Ann Ryan, ALIA National Office, ph 02 6215 8214, maryann.ryan@alia.org.au**
- <http://alia.org.au/governance/meetings/>