

COLT, LATIN and LTs

What do a young horse and an ancient language have to with library technicians?

Recently, the Council of Library (and Media) Technicians (COLT) and ALIA have entered into a professional affiliation. COLT (<http://colt.ucr.edu/>) is the US organisation that addresses the issues and concerns of library and media support staff personnel. The affiliation was entered into by ALIA National Office (as the legal entity) and will be administered by the ALIA National Library Technicians Group.

In addition to the formal recognition of each organisation, both groups will actively share group and professional information. A special condition of affiliation is that one member from each organisation will receive a complimentary registration at the others' conference. An ALIA Library Technician member will receive a com-

plimentary registration to COLT's annual conference and a COLT member will be given a complimentary registration to our Library Technician biennial conference in Melbourne next year.

Continuing the international theme, LATIN (Library Assistants/Technicians International Network) has been formed to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and information between library paraprofessionals. LATIN operates as an ALIA e-list and currently has subscribers from Canada, USA, UK and Australia.

Although, LATIN has only been operational for a couple of months, the e-list has been extremely active, with information being shared across all sectors internationally. Some of the topics discussed so far are professional development, qualifica-

tions, Australian paraprofessionals working overseas and even 'bookcart drill teams'.

To join LATIN, just go to <http://lists.alia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/latin/>.

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ALIA National Library and Information Technicians Conference, Grand Hyatt, Melbourne, 9-12 October 2007

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Australian Library and Information Association

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President Dagmar Schmidmaier AM and Directors invite members

to join them for the

ALIA General Meeting

First notice of General Meeting and Rules of meeting

The General Meeting of the Australian Library and Information Association will be held at 5:30pm on Thursday 30 November 2006 at The John Niland Scientia Building, University of NSW, Sydney.

AGENDA

- 1 Notice of convening meeting
- 2 Apologies
- 3 Special resolution: motions

That the following clauses of the constitution of ALIA be amended

Clause 13 Board of Directors

Clause 13.1

Clause 13.3 (a) (i, ii, iii, iv)

Clause 13.3 (b)

Clause 13.4 (a)

Clause 13.5 (a) (b)

That the following clauses of the constitution of ALIA be repealed

Clause 13.2 (a) (b)

Clause 13.6 (a) (b)

That the following clause be inserted into the constitution of ALIA

Clause 13.8 (a) (b) (c)

Rationale and specific changes to the ALIA constitution can be found on ALIANet at: <http://alia.org.au/governance/meetings/2006.general.meeting.html>.

Moved: Dagmar Schmidmaier AM, ALIA President

Seconded: Roxanne Missingham, ALIA Vice-president

- 4 General business

RULES OF MEETING

1. 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.
2. If any item of urgency arises which is not within the business of the meeting, the Chair has the power to accept it without notice or rule that due notice must be given.
3. All motions additional to those on the printed agenda and in accordance with rule 2, and amendments, shall be in writing, signed by the movers (forms will be provided), and delivered to the Chair.
4. When addressing the Chair, the person desiring recognition will properly identify themselves, giving his or her name and affiliation. Only ALIA members may speak.
5. 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.
6. 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 5:00pm on 28 November 2006. 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/general.meeting.2006.proxy.html>
7. By general consent, if there be no objection, or by a two-thirds vote, any rule governing the debate may be suspended.
8. The Chair'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 Chair on procedures and to assist in determining the results of a poll of members present if necessary.

All members are invited to attend. RSVP to: Kamara Schlegel, ALIA National Office, ph 02 6215 8214, kamara.schlegel@alia.org.au