News

ARL Announces 2011–2012 Board of Directors

Winston Tabb, Sheridan Dean of University Libraries and Museums, Johns Hopkins University, began a one-year term as President of ARL on October 13, 2011, during the ARL Membership Meeting in Washington, DC. He succeeds Carol A. Mandel, Dean of the Division of Libraries, New York University. Mandel continues to serve as a member of both the ARL Board of Directors and the ARL Executive Committee as Past President.

Also on October 13, the membership ratified the Board of Directors’ election of Wendy Pradt Lougee, University Librarian and McKnight Presidential Professor, University of Minnesota, as ARL Vice President/President-Elect.

Three new Board members were elected by the membership to serve three-year terms: Joan Giesecke, Dean of Libraries, University of Nebraska–Lincoln; Judith C. Russell, Dean of University Libraries, University of Florida; and Jay Schafer, Director of Libraries, University of Massachusetts Amherst.

Continuing elected members of the Board are: Deborah A. Carver, Philip H. Knight Dean of Libraries, University of Oregon; Carol Pitts Diedrichs, Director, University Libraries, Ohio State University; Ernie Ingles, Vice-Provost, University of Alberta; Deborah Jakubs, Rita DiGiallonardo Holloway University Librarian, Vice Provost for Library Affairs, Duke University; and Anne R. Kenney, Carl A. Kroch University Librarian, Cornell University.

Also serving on the Board in ex officio capacities are: Carton Rogers, Vice Provost and Director of Libraries, University of Pennsylvania; James F. Williams II, Dean of Libraries University of Colorado at Boulder; Ann J. Wolpert, Director of Libraries, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; and Charles B. Lowry, Executive Director, ARL.
The Board is the governing body of the Association and represents the interests of ARL member libraries in directing the business of the Association, including establishing operating policies, budgets, and fiscal control; modifying the ARL mission and objectives; and representing ARL to the community.

To view a photo roster of the ARL Board of Directors, visit http://www.arl.org/arl/governance/board.shtml.

**ARL Transitions**

**Hawaii:** Paula Mochida will retire as Interim University Librarian, effective, December 31, 2011. She has served the university for over 37 years, including 5 years in her current position.

**Library of Congress:** Deanna Marcum will retire as Associate Librarian for Library Services, effective December 31, 2011, after 8 years in the post. She has accepted the position of Managing Director, Ithaka S+R, effective January 1, 2012. Roberta I. Shaffer has been appointed Associate Librarian for Library Services at the Library of Congress, effective January 3, 2012. She has served as Law Librarian of Congress since August 2009.

**SPARC Transitions**

**SPARC Europe:** Lars Bjørnshauge was appointed Interim Director, effective October 19, 2011. He was formerly Director of Libraries at Lund University in Sweden and a long-standing member of the SPARC Europe Board.

**Other Transitions**

**Association of American University Presses (AAUP):** Peter Givler plans to retire as Executive Director, effective June 2013, after 16 years leading AAUP.

**British Library:** Lynne Brindley will step down from her position of Chief Executive at the end of July 2012, after 12 years leading the library.

**Honors**

**Sul Lee** was honored by the University of Oklahoma (OU) during its annual Ring Ceremony on October 21 for his “outstanding leadership of the library system for more than 30 years.” He also was selected to serve as parade marshal for the OU Homecoming Parade on October 22.
Memorial

Jan Merrill-Oldham, 1947–2011

Jan Merrill-Oldham died peacefully at her home in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on October 5, 2011, at the age of 64. As the Malloy-Rabinowitz Preservation Librarian at Harvard University, she directed the Weissman Preservation Center in the Harvard University Library and the Preservation & Imaging Services Department in the Harvard College Library from 1995 to 2010. Prior to her work at Harvard, she established the University of Connecticut Libraries’ Preservation Department. While at Connecticut and Harvard, Merrill-Oldham served as a consultant to the ARL Preservation of Research Libraries Materials Committee for 15 years, helping to shape a preservation agenda for ARL and guiding the development of standards for mature preservation programs in ARL libraries. She was a leader in the preservation profession and trained many of the preservation administrators now in ARL libraries. In 2002, ARL honored Merrill-Oldham for her service to research libraries.