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41st ALAO Annual Conference
Cultivating Leadership: Preparing Academic Libraries for the Future
November 20, 2015
NorthPointe Hotel and Conference Center
Lewis Center, Ohio
#ALAO2015

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Supporting and promoting Ohio’s academic libraries, librarians, and staff since 1974.
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Committees

Awards Committee
Identify and nominate Ohio academic library staff members for appropriate recognition and awards.

Budget and Planning Committee
Review association finances and the strategic plan annually. Develop the annual budget, make recommendations concerning ALAO finances to the Board.

Communications Review Committee
Conduct a review of the ALAO Newsletter, Website and other modes of communication at least annually.

Conference Site Selection Committee
Seek out and identify potential conference sites.

Diversity Committee
Address issues of diversity, including ethnic and racial diversity; gender; disability issues; international or cross-cultural issues; gay, lesbian, and bisexual issues; and age.

Nominating Committee
Prepare a slate of at least two candidates for each elected position on the Executive Board, representing various geographic regions and all sectors of academic libraries in Ohio.

Presenter Grant Committee
Select the recipients of the Student Presenter Grant and Support Staff Presenter Grant, and administer the process for awarding the grants.

Professional Development Committee
Promote continuing education and professional development activities among the membership.

Program Committee
Provide continuing education opportunities for members, primarily as the Conference Planning Committee.

Research and Publications Committee
Promote research and publication among ALAO members and communicate information on major granting and funding sources.

Interest Groups

Assessment
Provide a vehicle to discuss and share issues and developments pertinent to assessment in Ohio academic libraries.
Webpage: alaoweb.org/ig/assessment

Collection Management
Provide a forum for ALAO members to identify and discuss collection management issues, to share information, and to explore avenues of cooperation.
Webpage: alaoweb.org/igs/cmig/index.html

Curriculum Materials Center
Provide an opportunity at a statewide level for interested CMC librarians and personnel to meet and exchange information.
Webpage: alaoweb.org/igs/cmig/index.html

Distance Learning
Provide a statewide forum for library staff interested in distance learning services.
Blog: distancelibrarians.wordpress.com
Webpage: alaoweb.org/igs/dlig/index.html

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Instruction
Provide a statewide forum for library staff involved in instruction and information literacy.
Blog: alaoinstructionig.wordpress.com/
Webpage: alaoweb.org/igs/iig/index.html

Special Collections and Archives
Provide a vehicle with which to discuss and disseminate issues and developments pertinent to special collections and archives in Ohio academic libraries.
Webpage: alaoweb.org/scaig

Support Staff
Identify issues and areas of mutual concern among academic library support staff and develop communication for the purpose of resource sharing and continuing education.
Webpage: alaoweb.org/igs/ssig/index.html

Technical, Electronic, and Digital Services
Provide a forum for discussion and sharing of information for ALAO members who are interested in technical services, electronic resources and systems, and digital services.
Webpage: alaoweb.org/igs/tedsig/index.html

Benefits of membership in ALAO

Scholarship opportunities
Advocacy alerts regarding issues relevant to higher education and academic libraries
Continuing education workshops around the state
ALAO Annual Conference
Professional development grant opportunities
Recognition of outstanding contributions to academic libraries
A quarterly newsletter updated by members on people, places and events
Recognition and support of research publications
Cooperation with other professional organizations
Opportunities to receive member rates for programs of OCLIS (Ohio Council of Library and Information Services) organizations
Interest groups serving members’ specific needs.

Participation in ALAO
Committee membership is open to all ALAO members, with the exception of the Awards Committee. Appointments are made by the ALAO President for two-year terms. Contact the President. Elect to express your interest in committee participation, make suggestions regarding ALAO, or to run for the Executive Board.