Nominations for the ELUNA Steering Committee 2016

This document outlines the skills and experience that we believe a good ELUNA Steering Committee member needs. As you consider your nomination please take some time to look this over. Some conditions are required, while others are preferred.

Required

- Each nominee must be employed by an institution that licenses at least one Ex Libris/ProQuest product.

- Each nominee must be employed by an institution with an ELUNA membership in good standing.

- Each nominee should have administrative support from the home institution for the candidate to be able to fully participate in ELUNA meetings and activities, if s/he should be elected. Although we will not ask for any evidence in this area, we feel that you cannot fully function as Steering Committee member if you do not have the financial and enthusiastic support of your institution.

Note that no member institution may have more than one representative on the Steering Committee at any one time. A nomination will be declined if it is received from an institution that is already represented on the Steering Committee for 2016. If two or more nominations for staff from the same institution are received, we will contact the individuals and ask them to decide who will be the nominee. If neither individual is willing to withdraw, the Nominating Committee will determine which name to put forth for voting.

Preferred

Some or all of the following skill sets or experience are desirable:

- Previous experience in some formalized governance activities within the library, professional, or user communities.

- Previous experience in some kind of vendor advisory role, for example: for a publisher, technology firm, or library vendor.

- Experience with more than one of Ex Libris’/ProQuest's products.

- A productive working relationship with Ex Libris or ProQuest managers.

- Evidence of active engagement with 'library futures' issues, and the ability to think strategically.

- Past participation in product groups, focus groups, or other ELUNA working groups.
The ELUNA Steering Committee is a serious commitment that requires individuals to be hard working, motivated team players. The time commitment varies depending on what role you play. Certainly the officers (Chair, Chair Elect, Treasurer and Secretary) are called upon to expend considerable time. But involvement in this Committee can be professionally and personally satisfying.

The Steering Committee meets monthly via conference calls that last about 1 1/2 hours. There are additional calls as needed on specific topics. In addition, we meet at the ELUNA annual meeting and your member institution is expected to financially support your attendance. In addition we try to attend the IGeLU meeting as a Steering Committee, but the ELUNA treasury is usually able to underwrite a substantial part of these costs.

The three year terms on the Steering Committee are staggered. See http://el-una.org/about/eluna-2015-2016-steering-committee/ for a full list of the current Steering Committee members. The following people have terms that continue next year:

- Amira Aaron, Northeastern University
- Sherrie Kristin, Purdue University - Calumet
- Laura Morse, Harvard University
- Habib Tabatabai, University of Central Oklahoma

We are looking for five individuals to round out the Steering Committee. It is important that we get a balance of library types, product knowledge, institutional position types, etc. in order to better serve the community as a whole. The Steering Committee will consist of nine members in 2016/2017. Any current member whose term ends this year must be nominated if they wish to continue to serve.

Individuals may nominate someone else or self nominate. If you put someone else’s name forward, that person must agree. Each nominee must submit a brief statement about himself/herself, focusing on qualifications and reasons for wanting to be a Steering Committee member. This information will be posted to the various lists and on our website.

Nominations should be submitted via email to pvcalarco@uwaterloo.ca by 5:00 pm EST on 29th February 2016.
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