LAUC-I Annual Reports 2008-2009 NOMINATING-ELECTIONS COMMITTEE Members: Linda Murphy, Chair Judy Bube & Pauline Manaka

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I. Duties of the Past LAUC-I Chair -- Librarian Orientations

Between August 2008 and July 2009, the Past Chair provided LAUC and LAUC-I orientation to six new librarians. The librarians are: Danielle Kane, Rachel Schulman, Jeffra Bussmann, Dawn Schmitz, Leah Loscutoff, Tony Lin and Julie Hillskemper. Due to schedule of conflicts, Beatrice Tice has yet to be orientated. We decided to wait until more law librarian vacancies are filled.

II. Report of the LAUC-I Nominating-Elections Committee --- Activities in chronological order:

- October 10, 2008 -- A call was sent to recruit two members to serve the Nominating- Elections Committee.
- October 24, 2008 LAUC-I Chair sent email confirmation for the committee's appointment.
- November 4, 2008 First Committee Meeting to draft the election calendar.
- December 12, 2008 –committee met to draft first call for nominations and discussed distribution strategies..
- January 12, 2009 The committee met to review the email responses from the 1st call and gathers names of self nominees. Committee sent 2nd cal to invite more LAUC-I participants.
- January 26, 2009 The committee met to create the 1st draft slate from email responses and brainstormed strategies of interest to invite more participants.
- January 30, 2009 The committee met and revises the 1st draft slate and prepared a brief report to present it at the General membership on Feb 9th.
- February 9, 2009 The committee Chair provided a brief update at the LAUC-I General Membership meeting and thanked the self –nominees and invites more members to run.
- March, 2009 -- Candidates running for LAUC-I officers were asked to submit a brief biographical sketch and a statement of goals for the position of interest to the Nominating Election committee by April 10.
- April 6th, 2009 -- LAUC-I Executive Board proposed to move the LAUC-I and State-wide election from paper to electronic. A big Thanks to the Director of Web Services, Kristine Ferry, who assists in moving this forward with the development and implementation of this year electronic voting system for LAUC-I.
- April 2^{0th}, 2009 A pilot survey with two questions was created to have LAUC-I members voting Yes, or No to use an electronic ballot for the 2008-09 LAUC and LAUC-I elections. 31 out of 49 LAUC-I members responded and all voted in favor of doing this year's election electronically.
- May 10, 2009 The committee provided a brief update at the LAUC-I general membership meeting.

- June 10, 2009 -- The local and statewide election began on June 10. The Election Day was June 24.
 - A copy of the Final Slate for the LAUC-I Election was posted on the LAUC-I web site: <u>http://lauci.lib.uci.edu/0809/nominations/index.html</u>. The electronic ballot provided external link to the biographic sketches of nominees who were running for LAUC-I offers. It also included the Bylaws revision for members to cast their final votes.
 - The following email to announce the LAUC-I 2009 ballot was sent to the members:

To LAUC-I members,

The LAUC-I 2009 ballot is now open and available at <u>http://eee.uci.edu/survey/ballot2009-2010</u>. Voting will begin today at 5 p.m., Wednesday, June 10 and close on Wednesday, June 24 at 4:30 p.m. There are three sections to the ballot: LAUC-I, LAUC and Bylaws.

The electronic ballot will require LAUC-I members to log in using their UCInetIDs and passwords. The ballot is confidential and is only open to LAUC-I members. Members can log in to review the ballot and exit without finalizing their votes. However, once the vote is submitted, members will not be able to reenter the ballot.

- 1. Irvine candidate profiles and statements for Vice-Chair, Secretary, Member-at-Large, and Library Review Committee are available for review from the LAUC-I 2008-09 Nomination webpage (<u>http://lauci.lib.uci.edu/0809/nominations/index.html</u>). There is an option for write-in candidates for each position.
- 2. The 2nd part of the ballot is for LAUC Statewide Vice-President and Secretary. The candidates for LAUC Vice-President are Pauline Manaka (I) and Michael Yonezawa (R). The candidates for LAUC Secretary are Angela Boyd (SB) and Gayatri Singh (SD).
- 3. The 3rd part of the ballot includes changes for the LAUC-I Bylaws. Members have the option to accept or reject all changes, or list specific revisions that they reject. Descriptions of the Bylaws changes are linked from the following:
 - Proposed LAUC-I Bylaws Changes (revised May 2009) a summary of changes and explanations http://lauci.lib.uci.edu/0809/nominations/proposed-LAUCI-Bylaws.pdf
 - LAUC-I Bylaws with Proposed Revisions the complete bylaws document with changes highlighted in red.
 - http://lauci.lib.uci.edu/0809/nominations/LAUC-I_Bylaws_2009_revisions.pdf

With regards,

2008/09 LAUC-I Nominating-Elections Committee Linda Murphy, Chair Judy Bube Pauline Manaka

III. Report of the LAUC-I and System wide Electronic Voting System

Survey setup specification:

- Access is restricted to the UCInetIDs. UCInetIDs had to be manually entered.
- A participation list was created so administers could review who took the survey

- The electronic ballot allowed only LAUC-I members to vote. The submissions are anonymous and not tied to a particular UCInetID. The EEE system will not identify voters when counting votes. The votes remained anonymous.
- The survey provides a space for writing in candidate names.
- People can skip voting for a particular position or only vote for one candidate even if we need two.
- We made change to the departments of Technical Services people to their actual departments instead of the division in general. This could be important in the future if two run for LRC at the same time.
- Be sure to include the Law School Librarians and the Library administrators.

Pitfall about electronic ballot:

- Because we have chosen the option above, there is a potential that someone could vote for three people when they should only vote for two. But if we are letting them select multiple candidates or skip questions, than we can't force the system to tell them they picked too many. That's the only pitfall we came across.
- One of the limitations of EEE is that you can't have more than one page in your survey.
- With the announcement that the candidate for LAUC-I Secretary, Erin Conor, is leaving UCI, we had to hold the ballot and add corrections. We found a replacement, Lisa Sibert, to stand as candidate for Secretary of LAUC-Irvine.
- Kristin replaced Erin's name with Lisa as Secretary and removed Lisa's name as a candidate for Program Committee. Though the ballot is working, the changes Kristin made to make Lisa Sibert the candidate for secretary do not appear in the published version because it was already officially published before we knew Erin was leaving. The people who voted already have come up with a workaround by writing in Lisa Sibert as a write-in candidate.
- Election Result Below is the report the committee submitted to the LAUC-I Chair:

IV. Report of the LAUC-I and System-wide Election Results

The Nominating-Elections Committee Chair submitted the following email to the LAUC-I Chair to report the LAUC-I and system-wide election results:

As the Chair of the 2008-09 LAUC-I Nomination Elections Committee, I certified and presented the summary of the 2009-2010 Election results to you below:

Summary Results of the 2009-2010 LAUC & LAUC-I Election Ballots

A total of 36 Electronic Ballots were submitted. LAUC-I Election Results:

- Vice-Chair (Chair-Elect): Kristine Ferry
- Secretary: Lisa Sibert
- Member at Large: Anthony Lin & Brian Williams
- Academic Librarianship Committee: Cynthia Johnson, Rachel Shulman & Ying Zhang
- Library Review Committee: Keith Powell
- **Professional Development Committee**: Virginia Allison, Sheila Smyth & Holly Tomren

• Program Committee: Tina Breitbach & Carole McEwan

LAUC-I Bylaws Results:

• Yes, I accept **all** proposed revisions.

LAUC Election Results:

- Vice-Chair (Chair-Elect):
 - o Pauline Manaka 23/36
 - Michael Yonezawa 13/36
- LAUC Secretary:
 - Angela Boyd $\frac{17}{35}$
 - o Gayatri Singh 18/35

Thanks again for all of your help this year in getting the election done electronically and smoothly. It saves our committee a great deal of time and hassle. I highly recommend other UC campuses to take advantage of the electronic voting as well. Anyway, I saved both the final election results and the above summary in two separate files in the T drive under the Nomination Committee folder. Please let me know if you have further questions for me or for the committee. Thanks again! --Linda