

Alabama Association of College and Research Libraries
Annual Dinner and Business Meeting
April 24, 2013

Date, Time, and Place of Meeting: April 24, 2013 at 7:00 pm, at Sinclair's East Restaurant, Montgomery, AL.

Program: Margaret Swanson, Co-Chair of SELA Mentoring Committee, from Delta State University spoke about SELA's mentoring program and its benefits.

Business Meeting:

Lori Northrup called the meeting to order at 8:40 pm.

Sue O. Medina Significant Contribution Award:

The Medina Award was presented to Dr. Janice Franklin of Alabama State University.

Nomination

**AACRL Sue O Medina Award for Significant Contribution
2012-2013**

I am writing to nominate Dr. Janice Franklin for the 2012-13 Sue O. Medina Award for Significant Contribution.

Dr. Franklin has served as library dean of Alabama State University since 1993. During this time she has made a significant contribution to our profession locally, at the state level, regionally and nationally. She is a recognized leader in the realm of academic/research libraries, evidenced by the variety of leadership positions she has held, which has extended at times beyond traditional librarian roles. I have had the pleasure of working closely with Dr. Franklin for a number of years within the Montgomery Higher Education Consortium, as well as NAAL. I have found her to be dedicated, intellectually accomplished, innovative in thought, and someone who can articulate in an impactful manner the role of the library in higher education to a variety of constituencies. A list of Dr. Franklin's achievements would include:

Alabama Virtual Library Council: academic library representative, 2000-2001, 2001-2002, 2002-2003, 2003-2004, 2004-2005, 2000-2010, 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013.

SOLINET: delegate, June 1, 2004-May 31, 2007, alternate, June 1, 2007-May 31, 2008
NAAL (Network of Alabama Academic Libraries): Chair, 2002-2003, and multiple terms on the NAAL Council

HBCU (Historically Black Colleges & Universities) Library Alliance, Co-founder, 2001/2002

Alabama Library Association: President, 1999-2000

APLS (Alabama Public Library Service): Board member (dates unknown)

National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African-American Culture, Project Director, 1997-2004

One of Dr. Franklin's most current achievements is a major library building project at Alabama State University. I had the opportunity in November to attend the dedication ceremony, and I can say that the result of years of planning and construction is impressive. I do not believe this could have come to fruition without Dr. Franklin's leadership. It was stated during the ceremony that the original plan had been for a much more modest construction project, but it was due to Dr. Franklin's persistence and clear vision that the library being dedicated that day was what stood before us.

I believe the AACRL Board could make no better choice this year in selecting a recipient for the Sue O. Medina Award than Dr. Janice Franklin.

Sincerely,

Eric A. Kidwell
Director of the Library/Professor
Huntingdon College

Election Results/Installation of New Officers:
AACRL Executive Board 2013-2014

President:	Ellen Wilson (2012-2015)
Vice President/President Elect:	Jessica Barton Hayes (2013-2016)
Past President:	Jennifer Long (2011-2014)
Secretary:	Stephanie Rollins (2012-2014)
Treasurer:	Yingqi Tang (2013-2015)
Member-at-Large/ACRL Chapter Liaison:	Rickey Best (2012-2014)
Legislative Liaison:	Eric Kidwell (2012-2014)
Newsletter Editor:	Elizabeth Rugan (2012-2014)
Webmaster:	Steven Turner (2012-2014)

Officer Reports:

Past-President: The bylaws committee proposed that only the President and Vice President of AACRL be members of ACRL. Approved by membership.

President: Lori would like AACRL to focus on building continuity over time among our officers, creating timelines for positions, on our website, etc.

President-Elect/Vice President: No report.

Treasurer: Our balance is \$\$5419.04.

Secretary: No report.

Legislative Liaison: Eric Kidwell reported that our state chapter offers 2 \$500 stipends to support ACRL's legislative day. This year Tim Dodge will serve as our representative.

Newsletter Editor: No report.

Old Business:

AACRL members voted to approve all suggested changes to our bylaws.

New Business:

Rickey Best proposed a resolution to send to ACRL. The resolution proposed that we not throw out faculty status of librarians in creating the 21st century library. Eric Kidwell made a motion to accept; Beth Rukan seconded. The motion was approved by membership. The text of the resolution is as follows:

Resolution of the Alabama Chapter of ACRL
On the Role of Faculty Status for Librarians

Whereas; that the membership of the Alabama Association of College & Research Libraries express its concern regarding the recent article in the Chronicle of Higher Education quoting ALA President Maureen Sullivan on the differences between the roles of teaching faculty and librarians; AND

Whereas; the Association of College & Research Librarians has developed and maintained policies regarding the appropriateness of faculty status for academic librarians; AND

Whereas; it is unclear from the article in the Chronicle as to what role President Sullivan's consulting work at East Carolina University reflects an adherence to published ACRL standards regarding faculty status for academic librarians; AND

Whereas, that the Alabama Association of College & Research Libraries expresses its concern that a president of the American Library Association and former president of the Association of College & Research Libraries be involved in consulting work that negatively impacts upon academic librarians; THEREFORE

The Alabama Association of College & Research Libraries encourages the ACRL Board to establish clear guidelines for future consulting work by its officers and board members wherein such work has a negative impact upon the status and employment rights of academic librarians.

Presentation of Certificates: Jennifer Long presented the members of the Executive Board with certificates of appreciation.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Stephanie Rollins, AACRL Secretary