

**Ohio Library Council  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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ITEM NO.: **5.F.4**

MEETING DATE: **May 13, 2022**

SUBJECT: **Membership Services Report**

SUBMITTED BY: **Jeanine D'Andrea**

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**REPORT FOR INFORMATION**

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2022 Membership

As of April 30, there was a total of 2229 members as compared to 2050 on April 30, 2021. There are currently 1933 renewals and 296 new. In addition, there are currently 77 Friends Groups; 9 Others; and 7 Associate Members.

New Member Packets have been sent electronically to members through April 21.

D'Andrea met with Chair Donaldson on April 20 to review meeting agenda items. The Membership Committee met via Zoom on April 21 at 2:30 p.m. Agenda items included: Statistics; new member update; Student Raffle Winner; Honor Roll Libraries and Access articles.

The Membership Committee held a student raffle for one free 2022 OLC Student Membership, a value of \$25. Sarah Bihn, Student Representative communicated through the KSU listserv twice, in one student newsletter, and in a student Facebook group. There were 12 responses, compared to 18 in 2021. The winner was Kristen Higgason, Kent State University. Staff has been in contact with Kristen.

A review of our records of those participating on a division action council, or committee identified 23 people who had not renewed their dues for 2022. A reminder was sent to all, and all but 3 have renewed as of April 30.

The Committee is scheduled to meet by Zoom on June 16, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.

Quick Poll on Libraries Paying Staff Dues

A total of 187 responses were received from the one-question quick poll asking Directors their policy on paying individual dues for staff members. Of the 187 responses 77 reported paying 100%; 77 pay partial; and 33 do not pay dues for staff. There were 64 libraries that did not respond after three requests. In comparison the 2021 results were: 76 libraries pay all; 75 pay partial; 26 libraries pay none; 68 no response.

Honor Roll Libraries

Honor Roll libraries are those that pay 100% of OLC dues for all employees. The list of honor roll libraries as reported by the responses to the poll on paying staff dues has been updated on the OLC website at <http://olc.org/about-us/membership/institutional/honor-roll-libraries/>. The OLC thanks the Honor Roll libraries as well as all libraries that contributed toward staff dues in OLC.

ALA/OLC Joint Student Membership Program

To date there are 21 members who have joined through the ALA/OLC Joint Student Membership Program which offers students the opportunity to join ALA and OLC for one price of \$44. ALA sends out the renewal notices and Sarah Bihn, Student Representative continues to promote the program through her professional and personal communications.

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### Nominations and Elections

Slates of candidates were due to OLC by April 1. Staff continues to work directly with the Nomination Chairs of each Division to ensure contested slates. There are only a few units who need additional candidates. Nomination acceptance forms will be sent to candidates requesting biographical information soon.

### Awards and Honors

The Awards and Honors Committee met via Zoom on May 5. Discussion included the number of Awards nominations received, and discussion of any issues with the submissions. The deadline for nominations was April 30 at which time we received a total of 18 submissions. The Committee began initial conversations regarding memorial awards, etc. as directed by the Board of Directors. They will continue discussion at their May 31 meeting and plan to have recommendations at the July Board meeting.