

**Ohio Library Council
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

ITEM NO.: **5.G.4**

MEETING DATE: **Sept. 20, 2024**

SUBJECT: **Membership Services Report**

SUBMITTED BY: **Jeanine D'Andrea**

REPORT FOR INFORMATION

Individual Membership

The Individual Membership count as of Aug. 31 is 2,664 as compared to 2,332 on Aug. 31, 2023. There are 657 new individual members. In addition, there are currently 1731 Library Trustee Members; 104 Friends Groups; 248 public libraries; 10 Other Institutions and 11 Associate Members. There has been an increase of 51 new members since the proration of dues began July 1.

The Membership Committee is scheduled to meet on Oct. 3. However, we are reconsidering dates the week of Oct. 21. D'Andrea will meet with the 2024 Chair, Lia Birnbaum and Bradley Kuykendall, incoming 2025 Chair to discuss the transition of chair, agenda items, goals and objectives, etc. The Membership Committee is seeking members to join their committee and will be putting out a call for interest in serving with a focus on members from the North, Northwest and Central areas of the state.

ALA/OLC Joint Student Membership Program

To date there are 47 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 \$46. ALA sends out the renewal notices and our Student Representative will continue to promote the program through her professional and personal communications.

Nominations and Elections

The OLC Nominations and Elections process was completed on July 30. Divisions had a return rate between 19%-47%. All candidates for Division Action Councils were notified by letter. A full report of the results was published in *Access*.

Committee Appointments

Committee openings have been identified and shared with staff for fulfillment. A full report of appointments will be shared with the Appointments Committee when complete and presented at the November 2024 Board meeting for action.