

MINUTES OF
ALABAMA ASSOCIATION OF INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH
BUSINESS MEETING, APRIL 21, 1988

Assoc. President Al Yeager convened the business meeting at 12:30 p.m., at Alabama State University, Montgomery, AL. He opened the meeting with the report from the Nominating Committee. The Executive Committee presented the following nominations for ALAIR officers for the 1988-89 year.

For the position of Vice President/President Elect:

Billy Ward, Livingston University
Debbie Brewton, University of Alabama at Birmingham

For the position of Secretary/Treasurer:

Bobbie Glassco, Snead State Jr. College
Myrtes Green, Stillman College

The nominees were introduced and asked to stand.

Al Yeager entertained a motion to approve the slate of nominees. The motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously. Ballots were distributed by the Election Committee, which was composed of Tom McAlpine, representing the Executive Committee; Bill Beckham, University of South Alabama; and Cathy Hansberry, Calhoun State Community College. The committee withdrew from the room to tally the results while the meeting proceeded.

Al Yeager, on behalf of the Executive Committee, extended thanks to John Baker and Brenda Bryant for their hard work in organizing local arrangements for the conference on the campus of Alabama State University.

Harriott Calhoun, Sec./Treas. of ALAIR, read minutes from the September 23, 1987, business meeting. A motion was made by Bob Lewis to accept the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by John Baker and approved by a voice vote.

A report was given on liaison with the Association of Institutional Research (AIR). The Alabama Association for Institutional Research has been officially recognized as an affiliate of AIR. The AIR Forum will be held May 15-18 in Phoenix, Arizona. There will be a special interest group meeting for ALAIR at the Forum. From the show of hands, Alabama will be well represented.

Harriott Calhoun gave the Treasurer's report and registration report (copies attached).

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Al Yeager noted that we had 90 people attending the meeting in September, 1987. Since this is the second conference in five months, he considered the turn out to be very good. He asked everyone to publicize the association-not only to keep it alive, but also to benefit newcomers in institutional research.

The election results were received and the following officers announced:

Vice President/President Elect: Debbie Brewton

Secretary/Treasurer: Bobbie Glassco

Congratulations were extended to both. The new officers will begin their terms in July, 1988.

The next item of business concerned revisions to the Constitution of ALAIR. In reviewing the Constitution, the Executive Committee found a few areas that need some work. A suggestion was made to form an ad hoc committee to review the Constitution and present proposed revisions for action at the next conference. One of the items in question was the process for election of new officers. Should there be mail-in ballots such as AIR uses, or should the vote be taken at the business meeting? A show of hands was asked for regarding mail-in ballots for election of officers. The vote seemed to be about even, for and against, so members were asked to express their views to the Constitution Review Committee.

Harriott Calhoun was appointed Co-Chair of the Constitution Review Committee with Bobbie Glasco, newly elected Sec/Treas. Any members interested in serving on this committee were asked to notify the co-chairs or any Executive Committee member. John Porter asked when the Constitution Review Committee would make their report? President Yeager explained that the committee's report would be mailed to association members at least 30 days prior to the next conference.

The President announced that a newsletter, including today's proceedings, will be distributed soon in order to improve communications within ALAIR.

The last item on the agenda was the professional development workshops that are proposed for next fall. The Association may be able to secure a \$200-\$300 professional development grant from AIR. Thanks were expressed to Billy Ward for preparing the workshop interest survey. Members were asked to complete the surveys and leave them at their tables.

President Yeager reminded members about the program options available for the afternoon: Ray Lewiski's computer workshop, in Room 212, and the panel discussion on "Perspectives on the

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Pragmatics of Institutional Research," in the theater on the first floor.

After expressions of appreciation to Al Yeager and the Executive Committee for the quality of leadership they provided during the year, a motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed. The business meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Harriott D. Calhoun,
Sec./Treas.