

Summary: Australian School Library Association Board Meeting Teleconference 7th December 2011

1. By-Laws:

- Draft by-laws were discussed, including more specific guidelines around communication with members of Member Associations.
- Each by-law was voted on individually and all were accepted by the Board.
- By-laws available at <http://www.asla.org.au/about/governance/by-laws/index.htm>

2. Proposed Memorandum of Understanding with SLAQ:

- Board felt that the main issue outlined in the proposed MoU had been addressed in the by-laws (By-law 2: Association Membership).
- Discussion around use of public listservs for communication – will be tabled as an agenda item in a future Board meeting.

3. WASLA Memberships:

- WASLA is offering its members a choice in 2012 about whether they wish to receive the national journal, *Access*.
- In minutes of 1986 and 1987 it states that members of Member Associations all receive *Access*. The constitution states one annual subscription fee. If ASLA were to make an exception for WASLA members in 2012 this would mean it would be operating unconstitutionally.
- WASLA will make a decision as to how the situation will be managed for 2012.

4. Board communications:

- All Board communications, discussions and deliberations are confidential, unless stated otherwise. Board decisions will be shared with members via the Board summary.
- Clarified that the Executive Officer of ASLA is obligated to communicate on the ASLA Board email list in order to fulfil the job description. The role statement requires the Executive Officer to act in a proactive manner to help the Board make decisions and provide direction to the Board.