

History of MALC  
Executive Committee Membership  
(C) = Chairperson; (S) = Secretary

**2006-2007**

Cheng, Rachel	Eastern Michigan University	COLD	Spring 08
Cochran, Robert	Ferris State University	COLD	Spring 07
Auer, Margaret (C)	University of Detroit Mercy	DIAL-M	Spring 07
Peterson, Herman	Sacred Heart Major Seminary	DIAL-M	Fall 07
Potter, John	ITT Technical Institute	DIAL-M	Spring 08
Raschkow, Elenka (S)	Lansing Community College	MCCL	Spring 08
Wood, Jack	Delta College	MCCL	Spring 07

**2005-2006**

Auer, Margaret (C)	University of Detroit Mercy	AICUM	Spring 07
Meador, Roy	Spring Arbor College	AICUM	Spring 06
Cheng, Rachel	Eastern Michigan University	COLD	Spring 06
Cochran, Robert	Ferris State University	COLD	Spring 07
Raschkow, Elenka (S)	Lansing Community College	MCCL	Spring 06
Stilwell, Martha	Kellogg Community College	MCCL	Spring 07

**2004-2005**

Meador, Roy	Spring Arbor College	AICUM	Spring 06
Cheng, Rachel	Eastern Michigan University	COLD	Spring 06
Moore, Thomas (C)	Central Michigan University	COLD	Spring 05
Raschkow, Elenka	Lansing Community College	MCCL	Spring 06
Ratliffe, Jim	Kalamazoo Valley Com College	MCCL	Spring 05

**2003-2004**

Bigelow, Teresa	Aquinas College	AICUM	Spring 04
Moore, Thomas	Central Michigan University	COLD	Spring 05
Yee, Sandra (C)	Wayne State University	COLD	Spring 04

Ratliff, Jim	Kalamazoo Valley Comm College	MCCL	Spring 05
Reiman, David	Monroe County Com College	MCCL	Spring 04

**2002-2003**

Bigelow, Teresa	Aquinas College	AICUM	Spring 04
Palchick, Lisa	Kalamazoo College	AICUM	Spring 03

Moore, Thomas	Central Michigan University	COLD	Spring 04
Yee, Sandra (C)	Wayne State University	COLD	Spring 03

Ratliff, Jim	Kalamazoo Valley Comm College	MCCL	Spring 04
Reiman, David	Monroe County Comm College	MCCL	Spring 03

**2001-2002**

Clouten, Keith (S)	Andrews University	AICUM	Spring 02
Palchick, Lisa	Kalamazoo College	AICUM	Spring 03

Richards, Tim	University of Michigan/Dearborn	COLD	Spring 02
Yee, Sandra	Wayne State University	COLD	Spring 03

Hooks, Denise	Mott Community College	MCCL	Spring 02
Reiman, David	Monroe County Comm College	MCCL	Spring 03

**2000-2001**

Clouten, Keith(S)	Andrews University	AICUM	Spring 02
Jensen, David (C)	Hope College	AICUM	Spring 01

Houbeck, Robert	University of Michigan/Flint	COLD	Spring 01
Richards, Tim	University of Michigan/Dearborn	COLD	Spring 02

Hooks, Denise	Mott Community College	MCCL	Spring 02
Lukasiewica, Barbara	Henry Ford Community College	MCCL	Spring 01

**1999-2000**

Jensen, David	Hope College	AICUM	Spring 00
		AICUM	Spring 01

Houbeck, Robert	University of Michigan/Flint	COLD	Spring 01
Houghton, Jean (C)	Saginaw Valley State University	COLD	Spring 00

Lukasiewica, Barbara (S)	Henry Ford Comm College	MCCL	Spring 01
Walaskay, Ann	Oakland Community College	MCCL	Spring 00

### **1999 MALC Planning Committee**

Houghton, Jean (C)	Saginaw Valley State University	COLD	1999-2000
Query, Lance	Western Michigan University	COLD	1999
Breivik, Patricia	Wayne State University (left state)	COLD	1999
Meader, Roy	Spring Arbor College	AICUM	1999
Jensen, David	Hope College	AICUM	1999-2000
Mulder, Craig	Northwestern Michigan College	MCCL	1999
Stilwell, Martha	Kellogg Community College	MCCL	1999

The Michigan Academic Library Council (MALC), representing the member institutions of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in Michigan (AICUM), Council of Library Deans/Directors (COLD), and the Michigan Community College Libraries (MCCL) was established in 1999. The AICUM group changed its name in 2006 to the Deans/Directors of Independent Academic Libraries in Michigan (DIAL-M).

The original idea behind the Michigan Academic Library Council was to serve as the coordinating body and advocate for academic libraries in Michigan. The purpose is to enhance and promote the ability of each library to meet its mission by improving cooperation, resource sharing, and service.

Directors from a broad cross section of Michigan academic libraries met on April 8, 1999 at the University of Detroit Mercy to discuss issues of mutual concern and to explore the possibilities for creating an overall organizational structure for Michigan academic libraries. The meeting was convened as a result of a less formal gathering of academic library leaders which was held at the fall Michigan Library Association conference. The meeting was planned by a committee consisting of two representatives each from the independent colleges and universities, the community colleges, and the state supported universities.

The formation meeting had four stated purposes:

- To have the frank discussions that would allow the group to find its collective voice and become proactive on common ground issues
- To agree on the key initiatives that MALC believes will make a difference
- To begin the action planning that will move those initiatives forward
- To further clarify MALC's mission, values and goals

Facilitator, Penny Griffith, was used to help identify aspirations and impediments to move the group to consensus on action. The beginning task included assessing current reality, an environmental scan, in terms of what was working/what was missing. As a result of these discussions, the group compiled a list of thirty-five outside forces impacting libraries. The forces ranged from rising costs, the consolidation of vendors, and the impact of K-12 education to the ownership of intellectual property and Y2K.

After further discussion, the most significant trends and developments identified were:

- Technology and the pace of technological change
- Distance learning
- Increasing capabilities of the web
- The market place, competition and the new for-profits
- Demographics, especially the growth of non-traditional students
- Collection balance, the shift from print to electronic
- Politics: state leadership and funding

An additional task was to "see success," the vision piece of the day. Images of the future were tested from an outside perspective (student, faculty, taxpayer, president) with images ranging from very specific to broad. Gradually, the shape of a strong state organization and effective voice began to form where this body would:

- be a coordinating body for academic libraries that works closely with MLC (Michigan Library Consortium), MLA (Michigan Library Association), and the Library of Michigan and acts as an advocate for academic libraries in Michigan
- establish credibility with the state by presenting a unified voice and maximizing joint resources
- have a structure (governance body) in place to offer funding and incentives to build and share resources and services
- be an effective, dynamic organization that maximizes student and faculty access to information resources and minimizes costs, is flexible and adaptable to change and ready to move on opportunities.

Once the group had come to agreement on organizational shape and purpose, MALC tackled the common ground initiatives needed to bring the vision into reality. These were identified as:

- strong organization
- open access
- cooperative purchasing
- linked catalogs
- document delivery

In general discuss by the whole group, the first was judged to be the most immediately important. There was consensus on the basics:

- each institution should be willing to commit dollars and times
- a pool of operating funds will be needed to cover expenses
- WMU would be interim fiscal agent
- structure: council of six composed of two members each of the three groups
- terms of office: two, staggered terms
- each of the three organizations should choose their council representatives
- actual formation of organization would occur in November
- action teams will be formed to address each of the initiatives
- present Planning Committee will plan and facilitate November meeting
- actions teams will provide the content for the November meeting

Action team leaders were identified as:

1. Strong organization: Margaret Auer, David Jensen
2. Open access: Ann Walaskay, Larry Zysk
3. Cooperative purchasing: Bob Houbeck, Bettina Meyer
4. Linked catalogs: Kevin Brandon, Randy Dykhuis
5. Document delivery: John Kondelik, Tim Richards

The charge to action team leaders was to form a committee and develop recommendations which included short and long term goals, action steps and outcome measures (evidence of success).

To Do

Minutes on line 2005

Minutes on line 2004

Scan minutes of November 1, 2002