State of the Chapter Annual Report Survey: Indiana Library Federation
Fiscal Year: 2011
Start/End Dates: Oct 1 through Sept. 30

On recommendation of ALA’s Chapter Relations Committee, all Chapters are asked to complete the “State of the Chapter Annual Report.” These snapshot reports will help Chapters and ALA assess the health and vitality of state and regional library associations. It will help to highlight notable activities and achievements that can be modeled, and identify challenges and needs that may be addressed collectively.

Website and Social Media

Association Website: www.ilfonline.org  
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/ilfonline  
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/ilfonline  
YouTube:  
Flickr:  
LinkedIn:  
Other:  
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Budget Totals for Year

Revenue: $464400  
Expenses: $456600  
Unrestricted Net Assets: $279300

Management and Staffing

Management Company

Does Your Association Use a Management Company? No

Titles of Paid Staff

Title 1: Executive Director  
Title 2: Conference Manager  
Title 3: Financial Manager (part-time)  
Title 4: Publications/Communications  
Title 6: Membership Coordinator (part-time)  
Title 6:  
Title 7:
Membership Information

Chapter Membership: Calendar

Chapter Membership Includes: School library association separate association

Chapter Membership Includes: Does not include ACRL Chapter

Dues structure for PERSONAL members: Graduated (fee levels based on salary)

Applicable Fee or Percentage for PERSONAL members:

Flat fee:
Highest graduated fee: 120
Lowest graduated fee: 40
Salary percentage:

Number of Chapter Members by Category

Personal: 850 with 175 of these being academic library assn members
Support Staff:
Student: 15
Trustee: 800 with 93 libraries paying trustee dues
Retired: 10
Library/Institution: 56 libraries out of 238 possible in the state
Total of Any Other Categories: School Librarians total 223 of the 850 above

Chapter Membership Compared to Last Year: Same

If Membership Grew or Declined

Grew by What Percentage (if known)?:
Declined by What Percentage (if known)?:

Chapter Membership Was at Its Highest . . .

In year?: 1999
With how many total members?: 2000
Indiana Library Federation Annual Conference

Month: November, Location: Indianapolis, Total number of attendees: 1100

Total booths/tables of exhibits: 110

Revenue: $clear 135,000
Expenditures: $

Total Number of Program Offerings : 150 sessions over 2 1/2 days

Did Chapter Meet Budget Projections?: Exceeded

New Successful Events Held During Conference

We had a scavenger hunt in the exhibit hall to engage attendees with exhibitors in 2010. We had a wine/cheese event in the exhibit hall in 2011.

Share Outstanding Keynotes or Speakers (include topics, please)

Our most popular speakers in the past couple of years have been A.R.T. (authors who do theatre), Will Manley, Andrew Sanderbeck and the guys from Unshelved. Our topics have such a wide range because the conference is geared toward librarians from schools, academic, public and also for trustees and directors.

Association Management Systems

Accounting System: Peachtree (it's great!)
Registration System: Avectra/NetForum
Database: have also used RegOnline for conference registration
Web Design/Administration: SpinWeb

Highlights of the Year/Areas of Concern

List Major Activities, Accomplishments with Participation (e.g., Library Legislative Day and number of attendees, legislative successes, new strategic plan, trainings, etc.)

Much progress made on strategic plan in 2010 and 2011. We had Legislative Day with 85 attendees where we met for lunch and then went to the statehouse together to talk w/our representatives. We had 15 conferences of various sizes around the state, many of which were heavily managed by volunteers. We offered webinars for the first time (which had one LEU offered per hour). We had a tough issue this year in Indiana dealing with raising awareness about the downside of property tax caps. It was on the referenda on the public ballot and now the schools, libraries, etc. are all experiencing devastating budget cuts (in many parts). We tried to raise awareness in advance about
the consequences. We also reached out to 13 superintendents and school boards across the state to emphasize the importance of a school librarian in their systems as opposed to just hiring someone to check out books and replacing the MLS-certified librarian. We had tremendous success in analyzing our financial structure and implementing a plan for long-term stability and we restructured our membership rates. We also offer health insurance to our institutional member libraries and had a tough year dealing with the greed of insurance companies who were raising rates anywhere from 12% to 150% on some libraries. We analyzed job duties and cut some hours on staffing due to improvements in technology usage and efficiencies in productivity, but the employee preferred part-time to FT anyway.

List Major Issues Facing the Association (e.g, budget, membership , structure, systems, competition, etc.)

School librarians are being slashed so we are seeing their association down by 1/3 in membership. We are seeing any workshop having to do with marketing/advocacy and communications in high demand as librarians and directors are seeing the need to promote their facility to their communities and officials, etc. We have a stable budget but exec director was able to find $50,000 in savings in 2 years in the operating budget due to renegotiation of leases and other choices.