2011-2012 AALL Nominations Committee Annual Report

The 2011-2012 Nominations Committee consisted of James E. Duggan, Chair, Catherine Lemann, Vice Chair, Sarah G. (Sally) Holterhoff, Nuchine Nobari, Raquel M. Ortiz, Karen Quinn, Lyn Warmath, Members, Jean M. Wenger (Board Liaison) and Kate Hagan (Staff Liaison). It held an orientation meeting for new and continuing members on Saturday, July 23, 2011 during the AALL Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, where members reviewed the committee’s charge and heard a presentation from the chair about the importance and confidentiality of the Committee's work; the work expected and the time-frame involved; and the process and criteria the Committee will use to propose a balanced slate; including type of library, diversity, and geography.

The Committee also held a conference call on November 10, 2011, and reviewed the election time line, heard a 2011 election update, and set March 23-24 as the date for the Spring 2012 on-site meeting. The Committee reviewed a number of committee documents and assigned subcommittees to update the documents as needed. Sally Holterhoff and Raquel Ortiz reviewed the candidate information page on AALLNET; Cathy Lemann and Nuchine Nobari reviewed the Conduct of Elections Policy; and James Duggan and Lyn Warmath reviewed the Nomination and Election Procedures. The Candidate Acceptance form was also revised. Appropriate changes were made and results posted to each individual document on AALLNET.

In January 2012 the Committee began soliciting nominations for candidates in the 2012 election. An email was sent to all SIS, Committee, Caucus, and Chapter leaders asking for recommendations. Requests were also made to the general membership by e-mail alert and by an article in the AALL Spectrum. The Committee met at an on-site meeting March 23-24, 2012 in Chicago to analyze the list of submitted names and determined the potential slates of candidates. After the Chair consulted with each potential nominee, a final slate was announced to the AALL Secretary (and subsequently the AALL membership) on April 12, 2012. The slate of candidates included Julie Pabarja and Holly M. Riccio, AALL Vice-President-Elect; Joan M. Bellistri and Gail Warren, Treasurer; and Femi Cadmus, Kenneth J. Hirsh, Allen R. Moye, and Roger Vicarius Skalbeck, Board Members.

The Committee held a "Meet the Candidates" event on Monday, July 23, 2012 during the Annual Meeting in Boston.

Submitted by James E. Duggan, Chair