

RESOLUTION ON THE DEFINITION OF MAIL VOTES

WHEREAS, In order for all members to have the opportunity to participate in such votes, the Minnesota Library Association Bylaws require that certain types of votes such as elections and referenda be conducted by mail; and,

WHEREAS, Since the Bylaws were established in 1979 methods in addition to postal mail have been developed that provide the opportunity for the entire membership to participate in a vote; and,

WHEREAS, Some of these methods can be conducted more efficiently than is true of strictly postal votes; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That votes of the Minnesota Library Association or any of its subunits that the Association Bylaws or a subunit's Bylaws require to be conducted by mail may be conducted by postal mail, by electronic mail or other electronic means, or by a combination, provided that in such a vote the information relating to the vote is distributed to all members at the same time; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That these same methods may be used in distributing other types of information to the entire membership.

Proposed motion:

Since the proposed Bylaws amendments were distributed to the membership, some additional related changes that should be made were discovered. Those changes do not meet the thirty-day notice requirement, and so cannot be considered today. The Board of Directors feels it would be more expedient to consider all the related changes at the same time, so on behalf of the Board

I move that action on the proposed Bylaws changes be postponed.