

**CONSORTIUM OF ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH LIBRARIES IN ILLINOIS**  
**Draft Staff Proposal for Conducting CARLI Board Elections**  
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Four current CARLI Board members have terms ending June 30, 2006:

- Sylvia Jenkins, representing the community college sector
- Linda Morrissett, representing the private institution sector
- Jay Starratt, representing the public university sector
- Ellen Sutton, at large

Section 8.g (Board Elections) of the CARLI Bylaws reads:

*A nominating committee appointed by the Board of Directors will solicit nominations for the four positions each year. Voting may be by electronic or paper ballot. Nominees must run for one position only. The nominating committee will oversee elections to fill vacant positions with 6 months or more left in their terms. Vacant positions with fewer than 6 months left in the term will be filled by appointment of the Board.*

CARLI staff have propose the following:

1. The Board appoints the Nominating Committee at its **March** meeting. The Committee shall consist of three elected members from the CARLI Board. The Committee members shall be selected from those Board members whose terms do not end on June 30, 2006, and shall represent the three sectors (community college, private institution, and public university).
2. The nominating process shall proceed as follows:
  - a. An open call for nominations, using the CARLI volunteer web form, and announced on the CARLI Announce list following the March meeting, with periodic reminders. All employees of CARLI member institutions are eligible. Members of the CARLI community may nominate themselves or others (permission of the nominee is required when nominating others). The nomination period would end on **May 1**.
  - b. While the open call for nominations is taking place, the Committee shall discuss potential candidates, encouraging potential candidates to nominate themselves.
  - c. After the open call for nominations closes on May 1, the Committee meets to create a slate of candidates, selecting three(?) candidates for each of the four open Board seats. If necessary, the Committee may solicit additional candidates from outside of the pool created from the open call for nominations. The Committee shall finalize the slate by **May 15**.
3. Elections shall **begin on May 29** and **end on June 12**.
4. Terms of office for the four new candidates shall begin on **July 1, 2006**, and shall end on **June 30, 2009**.