Annual Report 2011
Distinguished Service Award Committee

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The Committee posted a call for nominations on ARLIS-L on August 15, 2011 with a deadline for submissions on November 4th. Two subsequent reminders were posted. No nominations were received by the deadline. It was suggested that the committee contact nominators for 2010 and see if they would like to resubmit their candidates for 2011. One nominator wished to wait until 2012 and one wished to submit her candidate for consideration. The packet containing the nominating essay, Curriculum Vitae, and letters of support was received in Washington at the end of December and was reviewed by the Committee over the holidays. A conference call to discuss the candidate was held on January 10, 2012. It was unanimously decided that the candidate met all the criteria for the Award and to forward her name to the President and the Executive Board for approval. The Executive Board discussed the nomination on January 19th and approved the nomination.

The Committee considered proposals from a member and a past chair to limit the number of letters of support supplied by the nominator. It was decided that despite the time burden of reading so many lengthy letters, it was important to take into consideration as many different points of view for the nomination process.

The Chair reviewed the Committee’s entry in the ARLIS/NA Policy Manual (No.: G-7-A.) and determined that it accurately reflects the charge of the Committee.

The Chair will step down since he is joining the Executive Board. His replacement has not yet been named.

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