

TO: ODIN Library Directors

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RE: Governance Committee (L. Pedersen, B. Reinke, F. D'Andraia, T. Stukel)

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The ODIN Governance Committee met on October 5 regarding two issues:

- 1) Term of office of chair, whether to have a vice-chair, and procedure for filling the chair's vacancy;
- 2) Revising the voting structure.

The Committee will bring the following two recommendations to the Advisory Council meeting on October 12. Please review these recommendations before the meeting.

I. Advisory Council Chair and Vice-Chair

RECOMMENDATION:

The term of office of the Chair shall remain two years. The term shall begin 30 days after election of the chair in the spring of odd-numbered years. There shall be no office of vice-chair / chair-elect. The same person may be

In the event of a vacancy in the office of Chair, the chair of the Planning Committee shall become interim chair until the vacancy is filled. The primary duty of the Interim Chair shall be to conduct an election for Chair so that the position is filled within 60 days of the resignation announcement. The Interim Chair shall appoint a nominating committee, with the Interim Chair as chair of the nominating committee, to produce a slate of at least two candidates. The Interim Chair may be a candidate. The election may be conducted electronically or by mail.

Associated issues and rationale:

The Planning Committee has become a key committee of the Advisory Council, and its chair is attuned to the issues facing ODIN. Thus it is not felt that a vice-chair is necessary, especially with the provision for that person becoming Interim Chair and conducting the election for AC Chair in a timely manner.

Under this proposed practice, the chair of the Planning Committee should be an ODIN Advisory Council member. Furthermore, the Planning Committee should be stipulated as a standing committee in the Statement of Organization and Operation.

The Governance Committee should be assigned the task of incorporating these changes, or these changes as modified at the October 12 meeting, into the Statement of Organization and Operation.

Note: Because Frank D'Andraia is also chair of the Planning Committee, Phyllis Bratton, the PC vice-chair, shall become interim chair of the PC and the Advisory Council, and she will be charged with conducting the election. It will be the responsibility of the new

ODIN Chair to fill vacancies or make adjustments in the membership of the various committees.

II. Voting Structure:

RECOMMENDATION:

At the October 12 meeting, the Planning Committee will ask for input on their proposed pricing model, and that input will go back to the Planning Committee. This committee will bring a recommendation to the spring 2000 meeting of the Advisory Council, along with a timeline for implementation. The Governance Committee is recommending that a new voting structure be developed and implemented within 90 days of the <<approval>> of the revised payment formula. The goal is that the new payment formula will begin to be phased in July 1, 2001, at which time the new voting structure will also go into effect.