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Candidate Polly McCord

I accept the nomination to serve as a candidate for: Director

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EDUCATION (LIST MOST RECENT FIRST)		
Degree	Institution	Dates
MLS	Texas Woman's University (Denton, TX)	graduated 1997
BAFA (art history)	University of New Mexico (Albuquerque, NM)	graduated 1993
POSITIONS (LIST MOST RECENT FIRST)		
Position	Institution	Dates
Graduate Research Librarian	University of the Incarnate Word	2010-present
OSE Librarian	NM Office of State Engineer	2007-2010
Architecture Librarian	University of Arizona	2001-2004
Reference Librarian	Albuquerque TVI	2000-2001
Librarian II (Reference and Reader's Advisory) & Electronic Resources Trainer	San Antonio Public Library	1998-2000
Public Services Librarian	Fraser Valley Public Library	1997-1998
Reference & Reading Room Intern	Amon Carter Museum Library	1996-1997
HONORS, AWARDS, PRIZES, MEDALS, CITATIONS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ARLIS/NA Conference Travel Award (2004) • Lois Swan Jones Professional Development Award (ARLIS/Texas-Mexico) (2002) • Jan Kee Alumni Continuing Education Fund (2001) • Winberta Yao Travel Award (ARLIS/Mountain West) (2000) • International City/County Management Award (2000) • SALSA Award for Outstanding Service (San Antonio Public Library) (1999) 		

MEMBERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES IN STATE, REGIONAL, AND NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Association of Architecture School Librarians (AASL) 2001-2004
Art Libraries Society/North America (ARLIS/NA) 1997-2005, Research Awards Comm. 2002
ARLIS/Texas-Mexico President, 2001 (organized annual meeting)
Special Libraries Association 2007-2008
New Mexico Library Association 2008-2009
Western Associations of Map Librarians 2008-2010
Engineering Libraries Division of ASEE 2009-2010
Librarians of Santa Fe Co-Founder 2008-2010
ALA 2011-present
ACRL 2011-present
Amigos Library Services, Board of Directors, 2011-2014, Treasurer 2013

PUBLICATIONS

- Polly Trump. 2003. Self-Assessment of Architecture Library at University of Arizona used as example in *ARLIS/NA Occasional Paper #14, The Library and the Accreditation Process in Design Disciplines: Best Practices*, by Jeanne M. Brown, Janine J. Henri, and Paul Glassman, 2003. (peer reviewed)
- Polly Trump, 2003. Review of *George Catlin and his Indian Gallery* edited by George Gurney and Therese Thau Heyman, *Art Documentation*, Vol. 22, No.1 Spring 2003, pp. 51-52.
- Polly Trump, 1999-2000. *Bits and Bytes* (continuing column), *The Medium*, Vol. 25, Nos. 1-4, Vol. 26, Nos. 1-2.
- Polly Trump, 1998. Review of Mark Grossman's *The ABC-CLIO Companion to the Native American Rights Movement*, *Colorado Libraries*, Vol. 24, No.4, Winter 1998, p. 52.
- Polly Trump, 1997. "Recommended Content Guidelines for Art Museum Library Web Pages," *Art Documentation*, Vol. 16, No.2, Fall 1997, pp. 44-50.
- Editor, *The Medium* (newsletter for ARLIS/Texas-Mexico), Vol. 26
- Founding Editor, *The Mountain Ledger* (newsletter for ARLIS/Mountain West), Vols. 1-3

STATEMENT OF CONCERN

Having worked in a variety of library settings, I know how vital Amigos can be to a library. I think we have all heard "do more with less" too often, and I know how stretched library budgets can be. In the best interest of a library and its patrons, libraries need to continue to share resources and develop programs, while serving growing populations of users despite budget constraints.

Amigos is an essential component to keeping libraries ahead of the curve. I believe Amigos' efforts can be relevant and beneficial to libraries of all sizes, librarians serving all kinds of populations, and librarians at all points of their careers. In addition to my experience in academic libraries (one very large, one rather small), I also have worked in special libraries and in public libraries. I started in a small public library serving rural areas, worked in a large urban public library, and also directed operations as a solo librarian in a government agency library. I believe I bring a unique perspective to the Board because my career has not been spent in one place. As Amigos continues to evolve, it needs Directors who are creative in meeting new challenges for all the libraries in the region.

My first term on the Board was quite eventful. We sold the building in which our offices are headquartered (and negotiated staying on as tenants). We merged with MLNC, bringing new staff, new directors, and new members into the organization. During my year as Treasurer, the Board felt that Amigos was in a stronger financial state than it had been in a number of years, and decided to use that improvement to increase free member benefits, including the RDA Toolkit and online conferences. In every discussion, the main question has been "Will this benefit our members?"

It has been an honor to serve on the Board for the past three years and I hope that you will allow me to continue the work for another term.



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