

**SECTION BY-LAWS  
CONNECTICUT LIBRARY ASSOCIATION INC.  
RESOURCE SHARING SECTION**

**ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of this section shall be the Resource Sharing Section of the Connecticut Library Association, Inc.

**ARTICLE II - GOALS**

This Section is established to encourage and promote Resource Sharing and to work actively toward the improvement of Resource Sharing services to people in Connecticut. Resource Sharing is the library service that seeks to make the collections of one library available to the patrons of another library efficiently and effectively. Resource sharing incorporates activities related to interlibrary loan, including automated discovery tools, such as shared online catalogs, physical and electronic delivery, and reciprocal borrowing. The Section shall strive to keep members informed of best practices and developments in Resource Sharing and to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas related to those areas of library service.

**ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP**

Any member of the Connecticut Library Association, Inc. in good standing who is concerned with or interested in the goals of this section may become a member and is thereby entitled to vote and hold office in this section.

**ARTICLE IV – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Executive Committee of the Resource Sharing Section is composed of the current section Chair (or Co-Chairs), the Chair Elect, and no more than 15 other interested members selected by the officers. The committee sponsors programs, such as those at the Connecticut Library Association, Inc.'s annual conference.

**ARTICLE V – OFFICERS**

Section 1. The officers of the section are a Chair (or Co-Chairs) and a Chair-Elect. The officers must be CLA members during their term of office. The Immediate Past Chair(s) will remain available for consultation, but does not have any other duties to perform.

Section 2. The officers shall be members of the Executive Committee and shall perform duties similar to those performed by similar officers of other organizations. The Chair and Chair-Elect shall represent the Section; the Chair shall serve as a voting member of the Executive Board of the Connecticut Library Association, Inc.

Section 3. The Chair will serve a one-year term beginning July 1.

Section 4. The Chair-Elect serves successively: a one-year term as Chair-Elect, followed by a one-year term as Chair.

Section 5. No member shall hold more than one office at a time and officers may not serve more than two successive terms.

Section 6. In case of a vacancy in the office of Chair, the Chair-Elect shall perform the duties of that office temporarily until the end of that fiscal year. In the case of a vacancy in the Chair-Elect, the Chair shall appoint a member of the Section to perform the duties of that office temporarily until the end of that fiscal year. Time spent filling a vacancy does not count toward the maximum number of successive terms.

## **ARTICLE VI – SECTION MEETINGS**

Section 1. There may be an annual meeting of the Resource Sharing Section held in the spring, usually in conjunction with the annual conference of the Connecticut Library Association, Inc.

Section 2. All additional meetings shall be scheduled at the discretion of the Chair, with the approval of the Resource Sharing Section Executive Committee.

Section 3. A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of those members present and voting at a regular or special meeting.

## **ARTICLE VII – NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

Section 1. A nominating committee shall be composed of the officers of the Executive Committee. Nominations from the section membership will also be accepted.

Section 2. Nominations for Chair-Elect shall be presented to the Executive Committee two months before the Resource Sharing Section's annual meeting and shall be announced to section membership. The Committee shall endeavor to name at least two candidates.

Section 3. The election shall take place in the spring and may be done either at the Resource Sharing Section's annual meeting or may be done by ballot sent to section members at least 2 weeks prior to the annual conference of the Connecticut Library Association, Inc.

## **ARTICLE VIII - COMMITTEES**

All committees shall be appointed by the officers of the Executive Committee.

## **ARTICLE IX – ARCHIVES**

The Archivist of the Connecticut Library Association, Inc. shall be the recipient of all minutes, papers, archives, annual reports, and correspondence of the Resource Sharing Section in accordance with Article XIII of the Connecticut Library Association.

## **ARTICLE X – AMENDMENTS**

These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of Section members voting provided notice of the proposed amendment shall have been given in writing to all members prior to the voting. Amendments also have to be approved by the CLA Executive Board.

*Approved by the CLA Executive Board: January 7, 2010*