

Editorial

Many nursing librarians must be concerned about mergers of colleges and take overs by universities. The NURLIS II project has many interesting ideas which, if accepted and actually put into practice, would herald a new deal for librarians.

If librarians are to support self-directed learning and become information brokers offering a quality assured service, then they need to be respected, treated and paid as professionals. The reality is that L/N is concerned about qualified librarians facing redundancy or demotion. We would like UNISON to take a more pro-active role in the support of librarians.

A UNISON representative came to the last L/N Committee meeting and we were able to exchange ideas. UNISON has promised to support members who are rather scattered, and is also considering the implications of NURLIS II. We hope to publish their response in a future issue.

If readers have experiences or advice about the move into the higher education sector, please write to the editors. If you wish writers' names can be withheld.

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Membership News

A hearty *Thank-you* to the amazing 80 members (amazing 80, not amazing members, though I'm sure they are) who re-subscribed for 1994 in January! And to those still coming in fast in February. This is a record after the more usual dozen in January with the rest up to August. It really does make a great difference to our financial position and workload.

I was going to add a message for members who have not yet re-subscribed, but they may not be getting this Bulletin ...

Seriously, it does make extra work taking late subs. and sending out individual late Bulletin issues - and we **DO** need your money so as to develop our activities further! **THANK YOU** all again for resubbing(?) so early.

Final point: do remember to send name and address changes!

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