

## **AIRUM History**

### *Organizational milestones*

- 1973—first AIRUM conference held
- 1979—AIRUM members voted to seek affiliation with the national Association for Institutional Research organization (AIR)
- 1980—it only cost \$35 to register for the conference including meals and an evening special event
- 1981—the AIRUM constitution was drafted
- 1983—first AIRUM newsletter was started
- 1983—conference evaluations initiated to help in future conference planning
- 1983—AIRUM logo created by Tim Hoyt (University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh)
- 1988—first grant offered to AIRUM members to attend AIR national conference (AIR matched AIRUM funds)
- 1993—first AIR conference grant offered by AIRUM (given to help AIRUM recipient attend AIR for the first time)
- 1996—first AIRUM conference scholarship offered (given to help recipients attend AIRUM for the first time)

### **Conference Sites**

- 1977—Cedar Falls, Iowa
- 1978—Minneapolis, Minnesota
- 1979—Eau Claire, Wisconsin
- 1980—Madison, Wisconsin
- 1981—Des Moines, Iowa
- 1982—La Crosse, Wisconsin
- 1983—Rochester, Minnesota
- 1984—St. Paul, Minnesota
- 1985—La Crosse, Wisconsin
- 1986—St. Paul, Minnesota
- 1987—Eau Claire, Wisconsin
- 1988—La Crosse, Wisconsin
- 1989—St. Paul, Minnesota
- 1990—Chicago, Illinois (joint conference with Illinois AIR)
- 1991—La Crosse, Wisconsin
- 1992—St. Paul, Minnesota
- 1993—Madison, Wisconsin
- 1994—St. Paul, Minnesota
- 1995—Des Moines, Iowa (joint conference with Mid-America AIR)
- 1996—Madison, Wisconsin
- 1997—St. Paul, Minnesota
- 1998—Eau Claire, Wisconsin

- 1999—St. Paul, Minnesota
- 2000—LaCrosse, Wisconsin
- 2001—Bloomington, Minnesota
- 2002—Bloomington, Minnesota
- 2003—Bloomington, Minnesota
- 2004—Bloomington, Minnesota
- 2005—Bloomington, Minnesota
- 2006—Bloomington, Minnesota

### **Best Paper/Presentation**

*The presentation chosen at the annual AIRUM conference to represent “the best regional paper/presentation” at the annual AIR National Forum*

- 1993—Bruce Beck, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 1994—Dan Balik, Macalester College
- 1995—Robert DeMas and Catherine Wambach, University of Minnesota
- 1996—Steve DesJardins, University of Minnesota and Harry Pontiff, Minnesota Higher Education Services Office
- 1997—Jon McGee, Minnesota Private College Council
- 1998—Bruce Prall, Marian College
- 1999—Diane Berge, Minnesota State University, Mankato
- 2000—Gail Bergman and Clare Huhn, University of Wisconsin System
- 2001—Steve Butts (Lawrence University), Carol Trosset (Grinnell College), Richard Miller (Beloit College), and David Davis-van Atta (Carleton College)
- 2002—Margie Tomsic, University of Minnesota
- 2003—Carmen Williams and Carol Dreschel, University of North Dakota
- 2004—Clare Huhn, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2005—David Blough, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2006—Ron Huesman, John Kellogg, Peter Radcliffe, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities