

Information Forum Minutes of the session

President's Candidates' Visits

Leslie Burger met with the Board briefly at 1:00 PM during Board I on Saturday. She indicated an interest in improving libraries in the nation, increasing resources, recruiting the best and most diverse population from the next generation of librarians and supporting the local community. This Burger stressed to her the Board's concerns for helping shipping her part for

Renee Pierce spoke for further details concerning the service her public library provides to teens and Burger mentioned an established network of teen reading tutoring together to help teens create a sense of the fact that there is one of the few libraries in the area. Get ready to read. Also her library encourages participation in the reading off teen reading activity. Burger mentioned that she so encouraged staff members to get involved with teen programs in the activity. The staff members chose

Cindy spoke to Burger concerning changes from staff. Nicholas mentioned reopening the Operating Agreement and the role of the divisions properly recognized by the members. Burger also recognized YALSA's tremendous growth over the past several years.

Christine Hage met with the Board briefly at 1:00 PM during Board III on Tuesday. She mentioned that she had been in ALA member for 4 years. Her initiative is the 21st Century Literacy, she sees its effects in offices and divisions of ALA and those who have found in her position can build upon it. It is a part of the Strategic Plan. She felt that recruitment is so important to the membership's growth and librarianship must be so diverse and create despite its negative stereotypes. She also mentioned the recruitment session had good results and sponsored mentoring. Other issues that affected ALA were intellectual freedom, due process due to the addition of editing. She felt that there is no room for compromise though she recognized that she and the Association's board issue and identified being proactive before crisis situations such as the Sino-Soviet relations. Hage stated that she is committed to the goals of ALA but recognized that funding is needed regarding those goals.

When asked regarding youth services in her library, she indicated they have a children's section, a teens section, and their Teen Advisory Council did have discussions and planned programs. Changes she has faced with teens included furniture being recycled at the teen advisory council or with her to solve the problem. She stated that the majority of their teens are good citizens and did not feel that their teen problems were significant. When asked about YALSA's role within ALA, she replied that our division could continue to report to the resolutions of ALA policies that affected teens. Nicholas spoke to her about her experience with the Operating Agreement and she replied that she remembered that it is a very important process but generally supported it and does not feel it should be reopened. Cindy pointed out that Hage had been president of PLA and spoke to her about the divisions can be more collaborative. Hage suggested divisions could present programs in national conferences held by other divisions.

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Discussion

Item #. Region Institute Task Force - Monique LeCongo
 LeCongo began her report by stating that for initiating benefits regarding YALSA training offerings support. She suggested initiation of three institutes. A region institute's one topic on youth services and general strategies and one dedicated topic for those in the field for services. Others could serve as topics of other YALSA

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Striping pointed out that the Election is more on line than the last one and if anyone does not have current e-mail address in their ALA records members must correct their records by . If e-mails are preferred they must be requested by March . Issues identified standards will be considered. In response to letter from Hoey Striping is for PDF for

The Washington Office will purchase their office space rather than rent so that space costs will not increase as a result of rent increases.

The sponsorship process will be revised. Possible sponsors will be invited to insure they are good corporate citizens. Guidelines will be revised and feedback requested concerning the planned program during the second phase. Completed the related divisions are included in the

Audio recordings. As the T's Force report indicated that the list would appear in *Booklist* but the Board pointed out that this *Booklist* decision could not be guaranteed by YALSA. Nichols questioned their initiating their selections to only. Yo pointed out that the speakers preferred shorter lists but Sarah Fellers felt that more titles would be more helpful to librarians which is the basic reason for the list to exist. Hoey suggested that they not be included in the Top Ten selections component. Brun questioned the order of suitability in their criteria and the T's Force indicated that they were referring to age groups. Nichols mentioned that ALA freedom to read issues would be an impact on this point. Cheney Chair of Organizations and Bylaws indicated that the T's Force had responded to the many of his committee's concerns. Nichols voted to accept the report with thanks and refer it to the Organization and Bylaws Committee for final development and vote at the Annual Board Meeting.

Item #. Pre-conference reports

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Board members discussed concerns concerning the various chair reports. Brun stated that the pre-meeting content throughout the pre-meeting reports is that the chairs were overloaded and time constrained and thus prevented from accomplishing any of their tasks. So each chair had problems with their committee chairs. Board members discussed different ways of orienting incoming chairs. Although the leadership development meeting touched upon many topics that would assist incoming chairs, so the Board members felt that professional development session on running meetings could replace the current agenda of Leadership Development.

The Selected Dads Committee felt that the criteria constrained initiating their selections to those under one hour in length eliminated any excellent selections for consideration. An alternate criterion this chair suggested is 90 minutes. This committee will introduce proposals to the next change.

The Chair of the Research Committee informed her Board liaison that there would be no inner of the Henne Award for. As the committee noted feedback from prior winners guiding the update of their research and so noted stronger connection to YALS.

The TAGS Committee is concerned that the terms of but one member would end the session which is a result of their incoming committee and of their members are a result chosen to the session with the session length. As one Board member felt that there had been little progress towards its change. The chair felt that the committee or had not been shared equally.

Goals that had mentioned in Audio recordings Committee concern and indicated that a result they would be submitting proposals to change the committee to session committee. See Item #.

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Item #. 4 Proposal to Develop Reference Guidelines, 4

This suggestion had been introduced to the Board generally by Mary Chetons. The result of the R-SA's activity in this regard was expressed in a meeting by the former Lesley Fisher to the Board. Therefore it is so decided by the Board and seconded by Sarah Fisher to instruct YALSA staff to pursue the possibility of cooperation with R-SA to develop these guidelines for young adults. The motion passed. Fisher volunteered to coordinate this project. A force should be appointed to further investigate this proposal.

Item #. Book Lists, 4

A recent member survey brought up that the dissemination of book lists is the single most important function of YALSA. Members asked for ideas to support this function. They suggested to consider the Popular Perspectives which would feature the book lists. They also suggested that a group could put together lists for publication in YALS or YAttitudes.

Decision for the YALSA website side by Mize and seconded by Nicholas and passed
Brun Mize and Nicholas were appointed to this subcommittee with Mize chairing

Item #. Council Report Catherine Conroy

Conroy informed the Board that at two sessions of ALA council and one session of APA council had taken place. Rejected issues that were voted upon were: S in s
primary resolution and initiative on the numbers of candidates running for council
Regarding the resolution on school libraries and the No Child Left Behind Act this latter
resolution asked for resources for school libraries and the recognition that school
specialists should meet the highly qualified standards other teachers are required to do
Conroy informed the Board that this motion had passed

Item #. Fiscal Officer Report Catherine Nicholas

Nicholas reminded the Board that the YALSA Business Plan hinges on the success of
publications continuing education and Teen Read. There followed discussion of
possible ALA dues increase and whether YALSA should also consider same

Item #. Teen Read Sponsorships

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Mary indicated disappointment in the current level of sponsorship of TR. The
Development Office had offered to assist Susan Robinson Director of the Development
Office had suggested the development list of programs and pass it on to her for her use
she discussed with potential contributors. Conroy mentioned that she had established contact with
Book Hoesters Inc and they were writing to her from Beth to further the discussion
Honey discussed TR with both Penguin Putnam and Betty Horowitz of Random
Mary asked the Board in their dealings subcommittee issues to have committee chairs
discuss possible sponsors with their members. Conroy suggested that the Development
Office could find friends. Nicholas suggested contacting authors who supported Scion on
asked Yolie to prepare list of talking points that the Board and other YALSA
representatives use in their dealings with potential sponsors. She agreed

Item #. Membership Retention Recruitment

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YALSA membership has never been higher but Mary indicated that retention
members and recruitment ones. A suggestion was made that new members could receive
welcome package and Board member pointed out that ALSC lists the new members in
their magazine by visiting primary schools to donate for YALSA. She suggested and
it was pointed out that there had been such program ALSC has new member orientation
meeting. Brun suggested new coupon in YALS or YAttitudes spotlighting new members
Goods suggested mentor mentoree pairing spotlighted

Item #. YALSA Publications Program

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Don Enney Chair of the YALSA Publications Committee had met with his committee members and felt the meeting was very successful. He was of the opinion that the people were sure that YALSA is itself a publisher and that advertising is needed to promote this fact. He indicated that he would follow with a written report shortly after the meeting.

He felt that YALSA should re-examine barriers that present road blocks to publishing with YALSA. One item would be that the Publishing Committee would handle for send the author through the process. Bruns asked whether royalties could be possible and Yo indicated that she had heard that they had been going out in the past. Yo asked if there were other ways of compensating authors as other publishers provide to their authors than YALSA did. Mize questioned if YALSA ever approached people to publish on suggested topics. Enney replied that if they were looking for an editor or author on a particular topic they would like this posted on the website. Nicholas noted that a posting request for an author on a particular topic could be done to someone quickly writing on that topic and publishing with another publisher.

Yo pointed out that ALA Publications showed her that the best selling YALSA products were those in ~~the~~ ~~top~~ ~~10~~ ~~books~~ ~~list~~. Mize asked if the Publications Committee worked with the Research Committee. ~~This~~ ~~Committee~~ ~~is~~ ~~not~~ ~~working~~ ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~Research~~ ~~Committee~~. ~~There~~ ~~is~~ ~~no~~ ~~communication~~ ~~between~~ ~~the~~ ~~two~~ ~~committees~~. ~~The~~ ~~Publications~~ ~~Committee~~ ~~is~~ ~~not~~ ~~working~~ ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~Research~~ ~~Committee~~. ~~There~~ ~~is~~ ~~no~~ ~~communication~~ ~~between~~ ~~the~~ ~~two~~ ~~committees~~.

Item #. Proposal to Change Audio Books to Selection Committee

A question arises as to who should supply publishers for reprints of audio books. Current practice is that the chair of each selection committee contacts publishers. You suggested that staff could take over this responsibility. Nicholas suggested that staff do this with only one committee's trial and proceed with others if the trial is successful. She felt it