#### STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = teenagers, media, colleagues

### CONCERNS =

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COMMITTEE NAME = Audio Books and Media Exploration Committee

CHAIR = Carly M. Wiggins

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To study and promote the use of media with the exception of videos and DVD's (covered by the Selected DVD's and Videos for Young Adults Committee) as related to libraries; and to prepare or have prepared selected lists of materials on additional formats of current interest.

ACCOMPLISHED = Since we last met, our new committee members have become familiar with the audiobook nomination process. All members communicate regularly via email with nominations for our list. We have begun to include annotations with all nominations prior to the Midwinter meeting. This committee has received approximately 200 audio submissions for this year.

TERMWORK = We will produce a list of notable audiobooks. Additionally, we have a number of items up for discussion. These include development of a ranking system and further definition of committee member responsibilities and criteria for nominations.

ACTIONAREA = advocacy, literacy, equity of access, education, diversity

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

STRATEGIES = publication, conference, youth participation

STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = teenagers, educators, parents, colleagues

CONCERNS = As the number of audiobooks published for teens and relevant to the teen experience increases, committee members have a large volume of listening to accomplish each year. Use of a ranking system will streamline the nomination process. Reviewing and codifying member responsibilities will help members focus their work for this committee.

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To select from the year's publications, significant adult and young adult books; to annotate the selected titles.

ACCOMPLISHED = We have closed our nominations for the year, ending with a total of 214 nominations. These will be discussed at our committee's final meeting at Midwinter in Boston.

We conducted two straw polls, looking for overall readership and preliminary votes. As of the first week of December, the committee's average readership is 70% of nominated titles.

TERMWORK = We will discuss the 214 nominated titles and conduct one more straw poll before our final vote on Tuesday, January 18. Then we will annotate our list of titles for publication in Booklist and on the YALSA website. The committee will also host a Best Books Teen Feedback session on Sunday, January 16, where teens from all over the country who have been reading from the list will have an opportunity to voice their opinions about the titles under consideration. Then the baton will pass to Lynn Rutan, 2006 Best Books for Young Adults Chair. Congratulations, Lynn!

ACTIONAREA = advocacy, literacy, education

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

STRATEGIES = publication, youth participation

STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = teenagers, educators, colleagues

CONCERNS = We would like some guidance from the YALSA Board about listening to unabridged audio productions of nominated titles, instead of (or in addition to) reading them. Past practice has been that this is an acceptable way to evaluate a nominated title, but concerns have been raised over whether an audio production enhances or detracts from the book experience. Is it possible that we could get a definitive ruling?

COMMITTEE NAME = 2005 Best of the best Preconference

CHAIR = Michael Cart.

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To plan, organize and present the YALSA Best of the Best Preconference at the 2005 Annual Conference in Chicago.

ACCOMPLISHED = We have had a significant amount of correspondence on our closed listsery. I have asked individual members to be responsible for various aspects of the preconference. Pam Spencer Holley and I are coordinating logistics, while Pam is also

coordinating the selection of discussion group leaders. Amy Alessio & Marc Aronson are working on teen participation; Betty Carter & Hazel Rochman are developing techniques for identifying important "overlooked" titles for discussion; David Gale is developing recommendations for a speaker who will address trends in teen demographics and marketing; and Jen Hubert is assembling a panel to discuss the impact of the Internet on the publication and promotion of YA books.

In addition, I have been working with Nichole Gilbert on publicizing the preconference and have recently written an article that Amy Alessio will publish in YA Attitudes.

The dates and times of the preconference have been established and registration has opened.

TERMWORK = We hope to finalize our planning, develop a detailed agenda, select and invite speakers, finish assembling the list of discussion leaders, and assign registrants to their respective discussion groups.

ACTIONAREA = literacy, education

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

STRATEGIES = publication, conference, youth participation

STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = teenagers, educators, media, colleagues

CONCERNS = None at this time.

COMMITTEE NAME = Division and Membership Promotion

CHAIR = Sarajo Wentling

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To develop and pursue an aggressive and continuous campaign to recruit and retain members for the Young Adults Library Services Association, to promote the Association to our professional colleagues and to key partners as defined in the YALSA Strategic Plan, and to select annually two librarians (one from a school, one from a public library) who work directly with young adults to receive the Baker & Taylor/YALSA Conference Grant.

ACCOMPLISHED = \* Committee members worked on promoting the Baker & Taylor Award at the local and national levels. Reminders were posted to a variety of listservs including YALSA-BK and PUBYAC. (15 applied) fPU in 26/480 TBX (TA) Tf) 87/63/64 0 Td (-) Tj 4.027/63 0 Td (F)

been completed and the chair will send out emails to participants before the end of December.

TERMWORK = \* We hope to select two librarians to receive the Baker & Taylor Award.

- \* We hope that the Mentoring Program will run smoothly once participants begin communicating in January and that the program will have positive evaluations.
- \* We hope to plan for an inviting booth for Annual to promote all YALSA has to offer.

ACTIONAREA = education

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

STRATEGIES = publication

STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = media, colleagues

CONCERNS = That 6 out of 9 members are due to rotate off at the same time. It seems like we should try to stagger things a bit better if possible so that there's always a nice mix of new and experienced committee members.

COMMITTEE NAME = Intellectual Freedom

CHAIR = Paula Brehm-Heeger

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To serve as a liaison between the division and the ALA Office for Intellectual Freedom and all other groups within the Association concerned with intellectual freedom; to advise the division on matters pertaining to the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and the ALA Library Bill of Rights and their implications to library service to young adults, and to make recommendations to the ALA Office for Intellectual Freedom for changes in policy on issues involving library service to young adults; to prepare and gather materials which will advise the young adult librarian of available services and support for resisting local pressure and community action designed to impair the rights of young adult users.

ACCOMPLISHED = We are cosponsoring a program with the IFRT for the Chicago conference and have been working with them to find appropriate presenters and local teens willing to serve on a panel for the program. The program description is as follows:

"We've Got Your Back: Teens and Librarians Speak Out on Intellectual Freedom"

"This program seeks to provide practical information on how Young Adult librarians can stand strong in defense of intellectual freedom. Real-life challenges to intellectual

freedom will be shared by teens and librarians, followed by small-group discussions among audience members and teen and librarian panel participants. A lawyer with expertise in the area of teen rights and intellectual freedom will be present to offer advice on how librarians can react to such challenges."

TERMWORK = We will be working hard to finalize plans for our next program (annual 2006)

I will also be catching up everyone on where the plans for that program stand and what their specific assignments will be.

We will also review information gathered at annual 2004. This information is intended to supplement YALSA web page resource section on Intellectual Freedom.

ACTIONAREA = advocacy, equity of access

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

STRATEGIES = publication, conference

STRATEGIESOTHER =

CONCERNS = I believe James Cook, former chair, submitted some proposal(s) for our 2006 annual conference program. I'm hoping our board liaison can review this information with the new committee (and with me, the new chair).

COMMITTEE NAME = Legislation Committee

CHAIR = Laurel Sandor

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To serve as a liaison between the ALA Legislation Committee and YALSA and with other ALA youth groups and units interested in serving this age range, to inform and instruct librarians working with young adults of pending legislation, particularly that which affects young adults, to encourage the art of lobbying; and to recommend to the YALSA Board endorsement or revision of legislation affecting young adults which might be proposed or supported by the ALA Legislation Committee.

ACCOMPLISHED = The chair sent an introductory email to all committee members with the list of committee members and contact information, explaining the de facto and de jure obligations of committee membership and asking committee members to email the group to introduce themselves and discuss their ideas for what to focus on in the committee. So far, responses have been few. The chair also reserved a room for a meeting at Midwinter of the Joint Youth Legislation Committees. As the YALSA Legislation Committee is responsible this year for sponsoring a program at the Annual Conference, the chair also worked toward this end by securing one of the speakers for the program.

TERMWORK = 1. To plan and produce a successful program at the ALA Annual Conference.

2. To identify a goal for this particular group of committee members to pursue during our term together (what part of the committee's function statement to focus or expand on).

3. To achieve that goal.

ACTIONAREA = advocacy, equity of access, education

STRATEGIES = outreach, publication, conference, youth participation

STRATEGIESOUTREACH = Other youth librarians (school?), other ALA divisions

STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = colleagues

CONCERNS = I am a little worried that people may not want to do any more work than what has traditionally been done in the past on this committee. But I'll wait until after I meet my committee members face to face at Midwinter before I lie awake nights.

COMMITTEE NAME = YALSA Local Arrangements, 2005

CHAIR = Gail Tobin & Amy Alessio, co-chairs

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To handle YALSA local arrangements for the ALA Annual Conference, in close cooperation with the division president and YALSA staff.

ACCOMPLISHED = Committee members have started to select teens to participate in YALSA programs. We have also begun identifying places of interest to list, incentives and favors for conference attendees traveling to Chicago and attending YALSA programs.

TERMWORK = The committee would like to promote and facilitate teen involvement in YALSA programs. We also want to facilitate program attendance and participation for conference attendees at YALSA programs so they leave Chicago with a positive feeling about the city and YALSA.

ACTIONAREA = advocacy, education

STRATEGIES = outreach, youth participation

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = teenagers, media, colleagues

think this is a problem that ALA should correct to make the forms easier to use for the chairpersons, committee members, and the PUBLIC.

COMMITTEE NAME = Margaret Edwards 2006

CHAIR = Mary Arnold

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = Select an author for a lifetime achievement award writing for young adults

ACCOMPLISHED = Midwinter will be our first formal meeting; electronically, we have made introductions, set up distribution lists for discussion; read the material on the n

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as this will be my last YALSA committee responsibility.

COMMITTEE NAME = Organization & Bylaws

CHAIR = Donald J. Kenney

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To revise the Bylaws in order to clarify them and when necessary, to recommend revision and amendment to improve them for the effective management of the division ....

ACCOMPLISHED = Worked with the Graphic Novel Task Force to write a charge for the standing committee

TERMWORK = 1) Review any organizational issues that may arise 2) Deal with any new business matters

ACTIONAREA = advocacy, literacy, equity of access, education, diversity, coalition

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

STRATEGIES = publication, conference, youth participation

STRATEGIESOTHER =

CONCERNS =

COMMITTEE NAME = Outreach to Young Adults with Special Needs

CHAIR = Kristin Fletcher-Spear

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To address the needs of young adults who do not or cannot use the library because of socioeconomic, legal, educational, or physical factors; to serve as a liaison between these groups and their service providers, and to identify and promote library programs, resources, and services that meet the special needs of these populations; to promote the Sagebrush Award for s Young Adult Reading or Literature Program and solicit applications; and to select annually, when a suitable winner is indicated.

ACCOMPLISHED = We are in the process of writing an article on our Annual conference presentation on ESL teens.

TERMWORK = We hope to finish the article in February and published in YALSA's journal. We will select a suitable recipient of the Sagebrush Award at the midwinter conference and begin planning for a program at 2006 Annual.

ACTIONAREA = equity of access

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

STRATEGIES = publication, conference

STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = colleagues, youth development organizations

CONCERNS = I've e-mailed several times to the committee member and only a few of them have emailed back, Is that normal?

COMMITTEE NAME = Partnerships Advocating for Teens

CHAIR = Sandra Payne

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To explore, recommend, initiate, and implement ways of working with other organizations that work with youth.

ACCOMPLISHED =

TERMWORK = We are planning to further explore the possibility of creating a high profile panel for ALA Annual 2006. Below are a couple of ideas to explore the power of partnerships in the 21st century:

- 1. Panel of young adult authors, directors of nationally recognized organizations, especially those that seldom or never attend ALA, and high profile elected officials who are recognized youth advocates, and young adult librarians
- 2. Panel presentation with authors, young adult librarians, high profile media mavens working in magazine industry, radio, television, music industry, and online providers who have a mission to do right and well by teenagers
- 3. Panel presentation featuring foundations, national organizations, corporations that have worked to create and sustain partnerships with libraries, schools, and community-based organizations

ACTIONAREA = advocacy, literacy, equity of access, education, diversity, coalition

STRATEGIES = outreach, conference

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

# STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = teenagers, educators, media, colleagues, youth development organizations

CONCERNS =

COMMITTEE NAME = Popular Paperbacks for Young Adults

CHAIR = Sally Leahey

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COMMITTEE NAME: President's Program

FILED BY: Jana Fine

What has your committee accomplished between conferences? not much

What do you hope will be the outcomes or results of your committee's work during this term? finalization of the program

Which action area(s) listed in the YALSA Strategic Plan will be addressed? (Select as many as apply.)

Advocacy

21st Century Literacy

Equity of Access

**Education and Continuous Learning** 

Diversity

Coalitions

Which strategies could be used for the above action area(s)? (Select as many as apply.) Outreach to (key partners, other ALA divisions, youth organizations, etc.--please specify) involve other organizations in program

Publication (print or electronic)

Conference program

Youth participation

Other (Please explain):

Which key partner(s), if any, listed in the Strategic Plan will be involved in your strategies? (Select as many as apply.)

Teenagers

Educators

Media (web sites, magazines, etc.)

Parents

Professional Colleagues

Youth Development Organizations

### Concerns:

Since I have been vitally strapped for time, I have not put pressure on the committee to formulate the program. But I have tried to light a fire under them a

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To select, from among the year's publications, a book designated as the Printz -- and award given for literary merit and to a book published as a YA book

ACCOMPLISHED = the committee has increased the pool of nominated books from 16 (nominations at Annual) to 50. Nominations (and seconds) come from all committee members.

TERMWORK = Selecting a Printz winner and, if appropriate, an honor book or books.

ACTIONAREA = advocacy, literacy, education

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

STRATEGIES = publication, conference

STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = teenagers, educators, colleagues

CONCERNS =

COMMITTEE NAME = Professional Development

CHAIR = Mary Hastler

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To create and maintain a professional development plan that responds to the needs of librarians serving young adults; to implement, evaluate and revise this plan as necessary; to maintain a liaison with the ALA Committee on Education and other related ALA units.

ACCOMPLISHED = Committee members have been reviewing content on the Professional Development Center YALSA web pages for updating. Both the School-Public Library Cooperation information and YA Spaces information have been extensively revised and updated. Both areas are in final review at this time. The committee is developing content for a new section on Professional Writing. A new spotlight has been created with a tentative posting prior to Midwinter.

TERMWORK = The committee's work will result in creating new resources and updating existing resources for YA librarians to use to further their professional and personal goals. The committee chair is also working with the Continuing Education Taskforce to develop regional training opportunities for YA librarians.

ACTIONAREA = advocacy, education, coalition

STRATEGIES = outreach, publication, conference

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

COMMITTEE NAME = Publications Committee

CHAIR = Donald Kenney

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To develop a publications plan in the areas of young adult services and materials, to identify topics to be covered and potential authors; to oversee and coordinate the YALSA publications plan; to regularly review all YALSA publications in all formats and make recommendations to the YALSA Board regarding those needing revision or elimination.

ACCOMPLISHED = 1) Worked on committee members serving as liaisons to various other YALSA committees

- 2) Working on a list of publications ideas
- 3) Reviewed 2 articles for the journal

TERMWORK = 1) Complete the list of publication ideas to disseminate both paper copy and electronically

2) Start publications ideas list/discussion on listserv

ACTIONAREA = advocacy, literacy, equity of access, education, diversity, coalition

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

STRATEGIES = publication

STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = educators, colleagues

CONCERNS =

COMMITTEE NAME = Publishers' Liaison Committee

CHAIR = Jody Sharp

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To create a better understanding between publishers and librarians in the library's use of materials with teenagers, in order that such materials be supplied more effectively. To select annually in accordance with the terms of the Book Wholesalers, Inc./YALSA Collection Development Grant, two YALSA members who represent a public library and who work directly with young adults.

ACCOMPLISHED = One of the committee members co-authored a program follow-up article, "Publishing 101: A Guide for the Perplexed", which was published in Young Adult Library Services, vol. 3, no.1, Fall 2004 (pp. 35-36).

The article captured the essence of the program (by the same title) we offered at the 2004 Annual meeting.

We have also just recently received the grant applications for the Book Wholesalers, Inc./YALSA Collection Development Grant, which we will be voting on at Midwinter.

TERMWORK = We will select two recipients for the Book Wholesalers, Inc./YALSA Collection Development Grant.

We will also discuss and explore some program ideas for future conferences.

ACTIONAREA = literacy, education

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

STRATEGIES = publication, conference

STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = educators, colleagues

CONCERNS =

COMMITTEE NAME = Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers

CHAIR = Maureen Hart

I'll be a committee member. I know that eventually my work will calm down, but it's a steep learning curve, and I'm feeling the need to be too invested in that right now.

COMMITTEE NAME = Research Committee

CHAIR = Sarah O'Neal

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To stimulate, encourage, guide and direct the research needs of young adult library service; to compile abstracts, disseminate research findings and judge applications for the Frances Henne/VOYA Research Grant.

ACCOMPLISHED = 1. We have finalized and confirmed speakers for our program at Annual in Chicago.

2. Applications for the Frances Henne/VOYA grant were received by the Chair and distributed to committee members via email.

TERMWORK = 1. To choose (or not) a winner for the 2005 Henne Award.

- 2. Further work on the conference program, which will include delegation of duties as follows:
  - a. Publicity for the program
  - b. Speakers (one committee member will be assigned to each speaker)
  - c. Committee survey/handouts for program
- 3. An aggressive publicity campaign for the Henne/VOYA grant , to include an article on past winners in YALS

ACTIONAREA = education

STRATEGIESOUTREACH =

STRATEGIES = publication, conference

STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = educators, media, colleagues

CONCERNS = Although the YALSA board has been very supportive of the Research committee and its objectives, our committee is still having trouble attracting professional colleagues to apply for the Henne/VOYA grant. One goal of this committee is to publicize this grant through a variety of media outlets, including YALS.

COMMITTEE NAME = Selected DVD's and Videos for Young Adults

CHAIR = Shauna Yusko

Submitted by: Amnah Darwish, Committee Administrative Assistant

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attend ALA conferences. Between conferences networking and communication will continue with the use of

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COMMITTEE NAME = TAGS

CHAIR = Tracey Firestone

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STRATEGIES = publication, conference

STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = educators, colleagues

CONCERNS =

COMMITTEE NAME = Teen Read Week

CHAIR = Nick Buron

FUNCTIONSTATEMENT = To provide recommendations for each Annual Teen read Week to the ALA/YALSA staff; to assist in the selection of a slogan, the drawing up of a timeline, the creation of new items added to the tip sheet and Teen Reading Website; and to recommend promotional activities and products.

ACCOMPLISHED = During Teen Read Week 2004, teens had the opportunity to select from a list of three options from the committee for the theme for Teen Read Week 2005. They selected "Get Real". All committee members have been informed of this selection and are looking forward to participating in the next step.

TERMWORK = At mid-winter, the committee will meet with staff of the YALSA office and assign jobs which will need to be done before annual. Most of the work between meetings will entail providing content for the website.

ACTIONAREA = advocacy, literacy, education

STRATEGIES = outreach, publication, youth participation

STRATEGIESOUTREACH = We always look for partners to celebrate with us.

STRATEGIES = outreach, publication, youth participation

STRATEGIESOTHER =

PARTNERS = teenagers, educators, media, colleagues

CONCERNS =

COMMITTEE NAME = YA Galley

CHAIR = Diane P. Monnier

ACCOMPLISHED = Committee members have been putting together information for a one-stop website that comb