

To: ALSC Board of Directors
From: Nina Lindsay, ALSC President
Re: President's Report for ALSC Annual Conference 2018
Date: June 5, 2018

I am pleased to submit this report of my major activities since my report for the 2018 Spring Executive Committee Meeting. As I submit this final report as your president, I would like to express gratitude to ALSC Board for their diligence and clarity of thought, to the many members who have committed yourselves to engage in the work of our association, and to the dedicated and hardworking ALSC staff.

Division Business

- Attended planning meeting with staff and Charlemae Rollins Presidents Program Co-chairs Sujei Lugo and Megan Schliesman. The program is *Considering All Children: A New Ideal in Evaluating and Engaging around Books for Youth*.
- Connected with staff and members on the progress of several task forces bringing business to the Board, including the Equity Diversity and Inclusion Task Force, the Every Child Ready to Read Oversight Committee, the Awards Program Review Task Force, the Pura Belpré Expansion Task Force and the Batchelder Evolution Task Force.
- Following our April 16th Board Meeting and discussion with the Executive Committee, clarified and revised the Strategic Plan Annual Assessment Worksheet and collected these from the Board working groups to assemble an analysis of our progress, for discussion at Annual. I deeply appreciate the work our Board members have done with these analyses, to inform our discussion and next directions.
- Held weekly meetings with Executive Director Aimee Strittmatter and Vice-President/President Elect Jamie Naidoo
- Developed agendas for Annual conference

Travel

- **Arbuthnot Honor Lecture**, Bellingham WA, April 28. I provided welcoming remarks at the lecture, delivered by Naomi Shihab Nye at Western Washington University. I also toured the Bellingham Public Library, and spent an afternoon in discussion with youth services staff of the Whatcom County Library System, on the topic of social justice in libraries services for youth.
- **National Library Legislative Day**, Washington DC, May 6-8. Attended with Executive Director Aimee Strittmatter and Vice-President/President Elect Jamie Naidoo. After a day of briefings and trainings, we joined AASL and YALSA in a productive meeting with staff of the US Department of Education, exploring opportunities for information sharing and collaboration. Our work in media mentorship, early learning, and STEM programming were of particular interest. Aimee and Jamie and I then attended Zero to 3's rally "Strolling Thunder," and met briefly with their staff, noting their state coalitions

(RI, NJ, GA, NC, CO, WA) may be an area for collaboration. We noted that resources on their website are helpful to our members in delivering early childhood services.

Online Meetings Held

- ALSC Member Community Forum, April 12, 2018: Doing ALA Differently
- ALSC Board Meeting, April 16, 2018 (held in Zoom)

Communication/Press

- ALSC Matters Column for May Issue
- ALSC Blog Posts:
 - [Calling Everyday Advocates to National Library Legislative Day](#) May 1
 - [ALSC Charlemae Rollins President's Program](#) June 5
- Gave welcoming remarks for National Summer Learning Association webinar May 30th