

To: ALSC Board of Directors
From: Jamie Campbell Naidoo, ALSC President
RE: President's Report for 2018 FALL EC Meeting in Chicago
Date: September 26, 2018

This report represents my activities since my report submitted for ALA Annual in June 2018.

Appointments

- I am in the middle of my fall appointments.
- I have appointed multiple replacement members to various process and award committees, as well as taskforces, as vacancies became available.
- I finished assigning board liaisons to various committees and taskforces as needed.
- I worked with ALSC Executive Director Aimee Strittmatter to confirm ALSC representative appointments on various ALA committees or assemblies.
- I formed and appointed the Graphic Novel Consideration Task Force as a follow-up to new business from ALA Annual.

Division Business

- Followed up with several committee chairs and task force chairs to assign various tasks identified during the strategic plan review by the Board at ALA Annual. These tasks are meant to address "loose ends" where we have not completely met our targeted strategic plan goals.
- Participated in weekly calls with ALSC Vice President Cecilia McGowan and ALSC Executive Director Aimee Strittmatter
- Communicated with ALSC membership via August *ALSC Matters* column and monthly blog posts
- Planned and communicated agenda for Online Board Meetings (see below)
- Reviewed Emerging Leader applications along with members of the selection committee to choose our next emerging leader
- Identified a topic and worked with the Library Service to Underserved Children and Their Caregivers Committee on the next community forum which will be October 18th from 12-1 pm CT.
- Facilitated multiple online board discussions via the ALSC Board Listserv related to: Batchelder TF, Early Literacy Next Steps, and Support of a Joint Statement on "Countering Hate at School"
- Followed up with multiple committees and taskforces after September 15th quarterly reports to address committee/taskforce concerns or issues
- Responded to a request from the ALA Office of Intellectual Freedom for a letter to a banned author for their [Dear Banned Author letter-writing campaign](#)
- Worked with YALSA and REFORMA Presidents on Belpré Expansion and Belpré 25th Anniversary Planning considerations
- Met with Charlemae Rollins President Program Committee to discuss speaker selection for ALA Annual 2019

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Online Meetings

- August 8th – Online Board Meeting via Zoom to Discuss Batchelder TF report
- September 20th – Online Board Meeting via Zoom to Discuss Virtual Participation of Board for Policy Review, ALSC Emerging Leader Project Topics, and Proposal for Collaboration Request on a NSF Grant

Events/Conferences

- August 30th – Sept 1st, 2018: Attended the International Board on Books for Young People (IBBY) World Congress in Athens, Greece and presented a poster with ALSC Executive Director Aimee Strittmatter on ALSC's Día initiative. The poster was titled "Promoting Diversity, Inclusion, and Advocacy in Children's Library Services with Día."
- September 26th- 29th, 2018: Attended ALSC Institute in Cincinnati, OH where I offered welcoming and closing remarks, and was a panelist on the Big Ideas opening panel "A is for Advocacy."