

the top of the news

This issue of *Top of the News* includes two special inserts. The first is an order form for ALSC and YASD publications (found on pages 60a-60g). The form may be removed from the center of the issue, completed, and mailed to the ALSC/YASD order department. For additional copies of the form, contact either the ALSC or YASD offices. The second insert includes ballots for ALSC personal members to use in voting for the 1986 Laura Ingalls Wilder Medalist and in making recommendations to the Newbery, Caldecott, and Notable Children's books committees. If you are a personal member of ALSC, please take a few minutes to vote for the Wilder award candidate of your choice and to assist the members of the book selection committees by providing your recommendations for the most outstanding children's books published in 1985. The committees appreciate your help.

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

MAJOR ACTIONS OF THE ALSC BOARD

- Reaffirmed the mail ballot appointing Gail Sage as ALSC vice-president/president-elect.
- Reaffirmed the mail ballot approving cosponsorship of the Third Pacific Rim Conference in 1986.
- Supported the AASL resolution requesting ALA Council to change policy 7.4.10 (limiting divisions to one divisional national conference every three years) to a policy allowing divisions the option of determining the conference cycle appropriate to their needs, each cycle to occur no more frequently than once every two years.
- Expressed gratitude to Judith Rovenger, ALSC Preconference Planning Committee chair, for her role in organizing and planning an extremely successful preconference entitled "Learning Differences/Library Directions."
- Supported the resolution on minimum wages for young adults that states "equal pay should be required for equal work," which was adopted at the ALA Membership Meeting.
- Directed the vice-president to appoint members of ALSC to work with members of YASD on a joint task force charged with studying the age-level definitions for each division's statement of responsibility. The task force will present recommendations to the two boards.

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