

- ① Standardize format
- ② 10 biggest concerns raised - Regina to report to council
- ③ "libraries/school"

I. Recruitment of YSLS on professional and para professional levels

SOLUTIONS

BY

Improve image (define & describe possibilities & options for YSL work (Dispel the myths)

Library schools, ALA public Information Office, ALA youth divisions, State Associations, Individual YSLS

Improve

- pay equity All of the above
- Interface between undergrad programs, more cooperation between ed. depts. & LIS depts. Ed. depts. LIS depts.
- Mentorship programs Graduate schools
- Define skills & qualities for YSLS on broad basis 3 youth division of ALA & Lib. Schools
- Systematic training for para-professions State associations
- Transferability of seniority from one jurisdiction to another AASL & ?

II. Coalition Building (2)

- (5) ALA youth divisions should jointly work to influence ALA legislation policy where youth issues are involved.
- (6) ALA youth divisions should train youth librarians to be effective politically and to build coalitions

III. Coalition Building (1)

- At local, state and national levels
- By librarians locally
- By state, regional associations & agencies
- By youth services divisions of ALA

(1) Identify and publicize liaisons already existing between youth divisions & other youth serving associations and organizations; and special projects which show that cooperation works in improving library service for youth.

more

(2) Respect differences between youth services librarians & Divisions at all levels and make commitment to working together

(3) Have ALA develop policy and guidelines on coalition building

(4) build active liaisons with associations such as professional education associations.

(5) *move*
(6)

IV. Need for Proactive stand in supporting legislation for youth

require state ALA chapters to report annually on legislation to ALA council pertaining to all types of libraries.

V. Identify Illiterates: levels of illiteracy, motivation to become literate

Nation Level

Continuing

1. Definition
2. Awareness
3. Funding
4. Levels - by age of illiteracy
5. ALA clearinghouse - PR
6. Coalitions

State Level

Continuing

1. Funding
2. State Lib. Org. - Lobby Legislators
3. Support: a) experts to train staff
b) cont. Ed.
c) Lib. Curriculum

Local level

1. Funding continuing
2. Action-Implement programs
3. Coalition w/community org.
4. Manpower-adequate, competent staffing

VI. Demographics:

Identify changes in composition of library community:

ex.: mothers in workforce
immigrant population
growth/reduction of specific age groups, etc.

1. Devise tools for collecting actual and projected figures to be done on state level.
2. Actual collection of data on local level data compiled at state (county level)
3. Evaluating of present services/resources in light of population changes - at local
4. Set service goals within building and higher levels - ALA
5. Library educational institutions need to recognize changes and adjust curriculum

FOCUS AREA # 1, Conb.

VII. Change maker
involvement within library YS
 Program in management, Adm. Leadership
 Other areas State associations
 ALA

Practitioner Focus in Library school
Library school program, i.e.
invite professional to share

VIII. Identify, form, and strengthen coalitions within and without the profession at local, state, and national levels of groups serving youth and those with an impact on youth.

1. to be willing to cooperate as well as to ask for cooperation
2. to be eager to communicate and offer services
3. to accept responsibility for coalition building and for the development of cooperative projects

ENSURING ACCESS TO INFORMATION FOR YOUTH

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| (1) Dissemination of and Support of
Library Bill of Rights and Access
Statement for School Librarians | ALA youth Divisions
OIF
State Library Association
Library & School Boards
Local Librarians |
| (2) Removal of regulations denying
access to materials of all
forms and formats by age | State Library Association
Library & School Boards |
| (3) Education of parents/Community | ALA Youth Divisions
Local Librarians |

- (4) Provision of new technologies and use of technology for obtaining information and communication Guidelines from ALA Youth Divisions Library & School Admin.
- (5) Development & Promotion of selection, interlibrary, collection developments, fee policy ALA Youth Divs (???????????)

X. How demographic changes impact library youth services, programming, and collections.

- Identify demographic changes at local, state and national levels
 - Local: libraries, school systems, library systems.
 - State: State library, state library & school organizations depts of education
 - National: Library/School organizations
- Analyze impact of changing demographic groups for service to youth at same local, state and national levels.
- Develop collections to meet these needs at local library levels. State and national organization, professional journals and library press

XI. There is a need for youth services librarians to be seen as professionals with a broad view of librarianship, management skills, and as full participants in planning and decision - making processes.

Solutions	BY
involvement in local, area, and state boards, including boards and committees outside youth services	YS leaders
Use of assertive skills	YS
Go outside parochial interest; show interest in topics outside youth areas	YS Admin. support
Modeling and interfacing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - committees - faculty in library schools teaching courses outside youth services 	YS, local/county associations Library Schools ALA
Focus on the "new" problems in youth services	ALA YS

LEVEL 2

I. Clearinghouse for youth
Coordinated with CLENE

ALA

within year

Personal Responsibility
for CE

Individual

Immediately

Related Disciplines
i.e. child Psychology

University, State System, Local

3 year plan

CE for all youth
practitioners

System, local

3 year plan

Management/admin.
recognize importance of CE
by providing compensation

Local

5 year plan

II. Continuing Education

Brainstorming seminars with
coworkers and peers

Conference returnees

Immediately

Teleconferencing

State Organization

5 year plan

CE viewed as a variety of
strategies

All levels

5 year plan

Mail order packaged
courses

ALA

3 year goal

III. Youth Consultants

State level consultant in each state for youth services

Work with state of education on coordinating programs with school and public
libraries

Link libraries with literacy efforts at state and regional levels to support the
national for youth consultants

State consultants should be first step

System and regional consultant position should be added

Coalition of youth divisions in ALA and PLA supporting these leadership initiatives

Petition to adopt a youth agenda by ALA

IV. Standards

1. List of competencies -- youth Divisions of ALA
2 year time frame
2. Set standards of performance --
State level (to include state assoc., state libr.
Repr., faculty at lib. schools) -- 2 years
3. Demonstration of continuing Ed.
State level (as above in #2) --
2 years
4. Construction of national exam --
Youth divisions ALA, General ALA --
3 to 5 years from 1987

V. Certification

No consistent certification on a national level

Research on existing state certification proj.
task force to collect data

Research leading to a model program
curriculum revision/pro (?) of continuing ed. by state, regional Assn.
implementation by state libraries and state lib. assn.

midwinter AASL, ALSC, YASD - appt. '87 task force

VI. Internal image

1. P.R. of individual activities
2. Involvement in other areas of the library profession (state-wide borrower's card)
3. Assume leadership roles in professional activities

4. Cooperation and unified fronts with other libraries (School/public)
5. Involvement in non-professional activities

Most of these are individual activities
time table: ongoing

Focus Area # 3 - Evaluation

I.

1. Lack of Specific national standards for youth services, resources, and personnel.
2. Lack of output measures specifically for youth services in both school and public libraries.
3. Need for a training component to implement standards.

Solutions

1. ALA divisions - gather, synthesize, and distribute local and/or state standards.
- 2a. Adopt "output Measures for PUblic Libraries" to youth services needs. Suggest a joint committee with members to include those who wrote "output Measures" as well as youth services.
- b. Recognize that tools and standards can be used to justify effective budget results.

II. Training for evaluation, inclu. preprofessional and professional levels, recognition of value of statistics.

1. include training for evaluation in library education
address: library education program
to whom:
2. Continuing education for evaluation
address: library schools, state agencies, professional
to whom: associations, both state and national,
networks/cooperatives/regions
3. In-service training for ewvaluation, on-going
address: local systems, state libraries, personnel
to whom: officers, networks/cooperatives/regions

III. Evaluation of personnel levels of competencies

National guidelines jointly developed by ALA (AASL/ALSC/YASD) encourage adaptability at state & local levels

- 7/87 1. Statement of purpose with possible applicability regarding unified purpose
- 1/88 2. Synthesis report