JOINT YOUTH DIVISIONS TASK FORCE
ON ALLERTON AND ALLIANCE FOR EXCELLENCE GOALS

Alliance for Excellence Task Force Goals

1. Research and Assessment
2. Standards
3. Library Awareness/Appreciation
4. Recruitment/Staff Development/Continuing Education/Library Education
5. Salaries and Working Conditions
6. Certification

Allerton Institute Discussion Group Goals

1. Management of Youth Services
2. Recruitment and Education
3. Evaluation of Services

Recommendations Made by Both Groups

1. Improve Professional and Paraprofessional Competencies
   a. Focus on continuing education
   b. Improve recruitment
   c. Improve library education curricula
   d. Improve personnel competencies
2. Build Coalitions
3. Improve Standards of Service
4. Promote Literacy Activities

Issues mentioned by Alliance for Excellence Task Force

Promote grants to youth services through the Council on Library Resources and the Department of Education.

Publicize the School Library Media Center Standards when revised.

Study Nation Prepared for ways report can aid in achieving goals.

Issues mentioned by the Allerton Institute Discussion Groups

Promote pay equity

Insure equal access to materials

Take a proactive approach to legislation on youth issues

Study impact of demographic changes on youth service

Improve management image and encourage involvement in library planning and decision making