

Committee shall reconvene to nominate candidates whose names shall be submitted to the membership for election by mail vote."

To further amend Bylaws Article IV. Council. Section 2. (d) by striking the words "four years" and inserting the words "three years." If ratified by the ALA membership this section will read: "Government Documents Round Table, Intellectual Freedom Round Table, Library Instruction Round Table, Social Responsibilities Round Table, and the New Members Round Table shall be entitled to one councilor each and the remaining round tables jointly shall be entitled to one councilor to be elected for a term of three years by the members of the respective round tables."

Bonnell moved and Council **DEFEATED** a proposed amendment to change the term of the treasurer from four years to three. The proposed amendment was to Constitution Article VIII. Officers and Committees. Section 1. Officers., to strike the words "four years" and insert the words "three years" in the third line of the section.

Lastly, Bonnell stated that the Constitution and Bylaws Committee was charged with bringing forward wording on electronic transfer of information, voting, and election for Council's consideration.

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee has asked the Executive Board to direct legal counsel to give it an opinion on the laws and statutes dealing with meetings, open meetings, voting, and elections in not-for-profit organizations in Massachusetts, since Massachusetts is the state where ALA is legally incorporated. As soon as legal counsel does so, the committee can begin to develop appropriate language.

Councilors Mary Jane Anderson and Pamela Bonnell, chair, Constitution and Bylaws Committee moved and by **CONSENT** Council voted that amendments to the Bylaws, when placed on the ballot, will be accompanied by pro and-con statements of not more than 250 words each, such statements to be prepared by two Council members (who voted on opposite sides of the issue as indicated by their voting records) appointed by the president.

**MEMORIALS, TRIBUTES, AND TESTIMONIALS.** Council policy 4.3(15) provides that memorials, tributes, and testimonials shall be presented at the beginning of the last session of Council at the Annual Conference. By **ACCLAMATION**, tributes were adopted for the following: The Brooklyn Public Library for 100 Years of Public Library Service and Governor James B. Hunt of North Carolina.

Memorial resolutions were adopted for the following: Leura Dorothy Bevis, Charlotta Hensley, Catherine Ellen Lucas, and C. Sumner Spalding.

Councilors June Garcia and JoAnn Pinder moved and by **CONSENT** Council postponed consideration of the tribute to the Hawaii librarians until action on CD#53, Resolution on the Outsourcing of Collection Development, was concluded.

**RESOLUTION ON THE PUBLICATION OF THE "STATEMENTS OF PROFESSIONAL CONCERNS" OF AT-LARGE COUNCILORS FOR THE EDIFICATION OF COUNCIL AND MEMBERSHIP, CD#51.** Councilors Marvin Scilken and Maurice J. Freedman moved and Council **DEFEATED** the Resolution on the Publication of the "Statements of Professional Concerns" of At-large Councilors for the Edification of Council and Membership, CD#51, which read: "That after every election prior to the Midwinter Meeting, the Association publish the 150 word 'Statements of Professional Concerns' as they appeared on the Council ballot along with the percentage of votes received (the number of votes cast for individual councilors "over" the total number of members voting) for all 100 at-large members of Council. Also to be included are Councilors' addresses; and, that publication might be in any publication distributed to all members, such as the *Handbook of Organization* or in a special publication which might

Reference File": The USA Patriot Act and Related Measures That Infringe on the Rights of Library Users: 2002-2003 CD 20.1)

**Item 5.** In order to bring the Policy Manual into compliance with current practice, the Policy Monitoring Committee recommends the following changes concerning Memorials, Tributes, and Testimonials.

Policy 5.3 Sec 15 Memorial resolutions, tributes, and testimonials will be presented to Council at the beginning of the last session of Council at each Midwinter Meeting [**and Annual Conference**], and to the Membership at the beginning of the last Membership Meeting at each Annual Conference.

Add new **5.3 Sec 15**

**e. If a quorum is not present for the last Membership Meeting and a Membership Forum is convened, the names of those being presented for memorials, tributes and testimonials shall be read at the beginning of the meeting.**

Amend Policy 7.4.7 as follows:

A membership meeting shall be held... Agendas of membership meetings shall provide priority to discussion of membership resolutions. **Memorials, tributes, and testimonials shall be introduced at the beginning of the last Membership Meeting.**

The final paragraph of 7.4.7 will become Section 15. If a quorum... and add the following at the end of the paragraph:

Those members attending the Membership Forum shall determine their own agenda of matters to be discussed, **except that the names of those being presented for memorials, tributes, and testimonials shall be read at the beginning of the last Membership Forum.**

**Item 6.** In order to ensure that pro and con statements appear on the ballot when membership is asked to approve an amendment to the Constitution, the following changes are recommended:



Policy 4.8 (Add to the end) appointed by the president ... **Since two affirmative votes of Council at consecutive meetings are required to pass an amendment to the ALA Constitution, the voting records for both required votes should be consulted to ensure that councilors are identified to prepare the pro and con statements for the ballot.**