

**YALSA Board Meeting  
2005 Midwinter Meeting  
Boston, Massachusetts  
January 14-19, 2005**

**Topic:** ALA dues

**Background:** Changes to ALA's dues rates for Library Support Staff basic membership, some divisions and round tables became effective Sept 1<sup>st</sup>. A number of divisions have either raised their dues or are including a dues increase on the ballot in the spring. Each division needs to evaluate its dues structure periodically in terms of rate and categories of membership. In a recent analysis of YALSA's dues, it was found that it costs YALSA \$44 to serve each member while dues are \$40. At the BARC Fall Meeting a discussion about the possibility of raising ALA's dues (up to 30%) took place.

**Action Required:** None

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See the attachment called Dues Discussion: Supplement 2004-05 BARC Info. #5