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ALA Council/Executive Board/Membership Information Session
Sunday, June 29, 2008
9:00-10:00 a.m.
Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom B/C
Anaheim, California

The customary information session was held in accordance with ALA Policy 5.5.2, which states that at least one joint session of the Membership and Council with the Executive Board shall be held for information only prior to other meetings of Council and Membership. The information session was convened at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 29, 2008, in Ballroom B/C of the Anaheim Convention Center.

BUDGET ANALYSIS AND REVIEW COMMITTEE (BARC) REPORT, ALA CD#33.1. Marilyn L. Hinshaw, chair, highlighted key issues discussed and acted upon by BARC at its April 14-15, 2008, meeting in Chicago. These included: (1) the FY 2009 Preliminary Budget; (2) FY 2009 Preliminary Division and Round Tables Breakout; (3) Small Division Subsidies; (4) FY 2009 Budget Instruction Document Revision; (5) FY 2008 Budget Overview, Year-to-Date; (6) Scholarship Bash Update; and (7) the Conference Scheduling Motion.

Hinshaw reported that the FY 2009 Budget reflects a climate of fast change for several of ALA's major revenue streams, more specifically, that of Publishing and Conference Services, both major sources of income for ALA's General Fund as well as for its Divisions. During its review of the proposed budget for the General Fund, Divisions, and Round Tables, BARC repeatedly saw how strongly ALA's units work to deliver services to all ALA members, especially in their willingness to provide new services, such as new means of online communications, as well as providing publications and events online.

Hinshaw also reported that ACRL's CHOICE magazine staff will move to its new location in Middletown, CT, before the end of the year. The new office space will cost \$2.5 million. This new property was purchased after three years of exploring available properties.

Hinshaw stated that the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA), in addition to creating its first endowment fund, also has produced an online webinar. YALSA, along with the Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies (ASCLA) and the Association for Library Trustees and Advocates (ALTA), have been the recipients of subsidies from the ALA budget. The ALA FY2009 budget will continue to provide this support to ALTA and ASCLA.

Hinshaw also noted that ALTA is working on a merger with the Friends of Libraries USA (FOLUSA). This merger, if approved, will result in a new acronym and a shared administrator.

At the 2008 Midwinter Meeting in Philadelphia, PA, the ALA Council referred the following motion to BARC with a request that BARC report to Council at the 2008 ALA Annual Conference. The motion read: "That the scheduling of ALA Council sessions end on Tuesday as the last Council meeting beginning at the 2009 ALA Midwinter Meeting."

Hinshaw said that BARC asked Deidre Ross, ALA conference services director, and Mary Ghikas, senior associate executive director, Member Programs and Services, to consider the potential difficulties to ALA's revenues and contracts if the Midwinter and Annual Conference schedules were shortened by a day. It was determined that there were no major barriers with hotel or convention center locations because the room blocks and meeting rooms are already at skeleton levels on Wednesday of the conference week. The January 2010 Midwinter Meeting will be the first ALA conference to end on Tuesday.

In response to a question on how ALA will contend with decreased conference revenue if members cannot afford to attend the Midwinter Meeting and Annual Conference because of increased travel costs, Executive Director Keith Michael Fiels stated that ALA will continue to explore the best technology options available to provide meaningful opportunities for its members who can't attend the conferences. Fiels also noted that some of President-elect Jim Rettig's presidential initiatives are pioneering this effort.

President Loriene Roy then presented Marilyn L. Hinshaw, whose four-year term as BARC member ends at the close of this conference, with a plaque in recognition of outstanding service to the Association and to BARC. The plaque read:

The American Library Association would like to express its appreciation to Marilyn L. Hinshaw for her leadership, guidance and dedication to ALA and BARC. Presented on this day, Sunday, June 29, 2008.

**ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES REPORT, ALA CD#16.1**. Robert R. Newlen, chair, ALA Endowment Trustees, announced the appointment of the newest Endowment Trustee, Robert A. Walton, Chief Executive Officer, Claremont (CA) University Consortium, Claremont, CA, whose three-year term (2008-2011), will begin at the close of this conference.

Newlen also reported that as of May 31, 2008, the value of the endowment was \$30,554,412; however, on Thursday, June 26, 2008, the Endowment had fallen below \$30 million, which was due to the present volatility of the market. Newlen said that due to prudent advice from the ALA financial managers, the trustees avoided investments in sub-prime mortgage vehicles.

Newlen also noted that earlier this year, the trustees asked Merrill Lynch (ALA's financial manager) to prepare a strategic allocation modeling study. The goals of this study were (1) to illustrate the risk and return tradeoff of various asset mixes based upon long-term, forward-looking capital market assumptions; (2) to record the range of potential portfolio valuations over time; and (3) to identify potential diversification strategies to enhance the probability of achieving ALA's investment objectives.

This study proposed a wide range of strategies and, specifically, options that will not add risk to the portfolio but instead will generate a desirable return on ALA's investment. The trustees also learned that alternative investments, such as convertibles and emerging markets, could help achieve these goals.

This Annual Conference concludes Robert L. Newlen's six years of service as an Endowment Trustee, including three as Senior Trustee. In recognition of Robert L. Newlen's service and accomplishments, President Loriene Roy presented him with a plaque, which read:

In honor and recognition of six years of dedicated service and stewardship for the American Library Association Endowment Fund. During his tenure, the endowment surpassed the \$30.0 million mark. As Senior Trustee for the last three years, he has laid the foundation for future sustained growth which will support the Association's ongoing mission and goals. Presented this day, Sunday, June 29, 2008.

In additional to thanking the ALA Executive Board, Council, and the membership, Newlen also extended a personal note of praise and thanks to Keith Brown, financial analyst, ALA Endowment Fund; Gregory Calloway, associate executive director, Financing/Accounting; and Elaine Klimek, senior administrative assistant, ALA Finance Department, for their support of the Endowment Trustees. He also acknowledged the contributions of Trustees Carla Stoffle, Daniel J. Bradbury, and John Vital; and of ALA Treasurers Teri Switzer and Rodney Hersberger.

In conclusion, Newlen spoke of ALA's planned-giving program. He encouraged members to remember ALA in their estate plans.

LIBRARY EDUCATION TASK FORCE REPORT, ALA CD#46-CD#46.1. In March, 2007, the ALA Executive Board approved establishing an (ad hoc) Task Force on Library Education, chaired by Carla D. Hayden, charged to bring the diverse stakeholders in library education together to create "actionable recommendations to ensure that library and information science education programs produce librarians who understand the core values of our profession and possess the core competencies of the profession needed to work in today's libraries." The Task Force will make its final report to the ALA Executive Board at the 2009 Midwinter Meeting in Denver.

On behalf of Carla D. Hayden, chair, who was unable to attend this conference, Michael Gorman, task force member, presented the report. Gorman said ALA CD#46.1, ALA Core Competencies of Librarianship, builds on the work done by the  $1^{st}$  Congress on Professional Education (1999) and a succession of ALA groups.

The Task Force believes that, when approved, the Core Competencies, along with the Core Values already approved by the ALA Council (see ALA Policy 40.1, Core Values of Librarianship) will form a solid foundation for ALA's role in accreditation and leadership for the profession. The Core Competencies are grouped in eight areas: (1) Foundations of the Profession; (2) Information Resources; (3) Organization of Recorded Knowledge and Information; (4) Technological Knowledge

and Skills; (5) Reference and User Services; (6) Research; (7) Continuing Education and Lifelong Learning; and (8) Administration and Management.

The final version of the Core Competencies will be presented to the ALA Executive Board at its 2008 fall meeting in Chicago, and then brought to the ALA Council for its consideration at the 2009 ALA Midwinter Meeting in Denver, CO.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT, ALA CD#21.1. In the interest of time and in lieu of an oral report, ALA President Loriene Roy referred Council to her written report and invited questions.

PRESIDENT-ELECT'S REPORT, ALA CD#21.1. At the 2008 Midwinter Meeting, Council requested that there be a data report on members who volunteered and who were appointed to ALA and Council committees. President-elect Jim Rettig noted that those statistics appear in the appendix to his report. Rettig asked that all questions and feedback regarding the appointment process be sent to Lois Ann Gregory-Wood, staff liaison to the ALA and Council committee appointment bodies.

ADJOURNMENT. After several brief announcements, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

ALA Council I
Sunday, June 29, 2008
10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom B/C
Anaheim, California

The first meeting of the ALA Council during the 2008 ALA Annual Conference was convened at 10:45 a.m. on Sunday, June 29, in the Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom B/C.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INTRODUCTIONS. President Loriene Roy introduced Parliamentarian Eli Mina and ALA Executive Director and Secretary of the Council Keith Michael Fiels. ALA staff members assisting with the Council meetings were JoAnne M. Kempf, Director, ALA Governance Office; Lois Ann Gregory-Wood, Council Secretariat; Danielle Alderson and Alicia Bastl, Projectionists; and Kathy Cortopassi, Captionist.

Special quests included Camila Alire, 2008-2009 ALA President-Elect; Haki Tahana, Te Ropu Whakahau, New Zealand; Janice M. Rice, President, American Indian Library Association; Ian Snowley, Head, Higher Education, British Library, London, England and Immediate Past President. Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (CILIP); Lucille C. Thomas, ALA Honorary Member; Norman Horrocks, ALA Honorary Member; Patricia S. Schroeder, President and CEO, Association of American Publishers; Anne Radice, Director, Institute of Museum and Library Services; Mary Chute, Deputy Director of Libraries, Institute of Museums and Library Services; Angela Creel-Erb, President, Arizona Library Association; Monique A. Le Conge, President, California Library Association; Martin Garnar, President, Colorado Association of Libraries; Carl Antonucci, President, Connecticut Library Association; Kathy Leeds, President-Elect, Connecticut Library Association; Betty Paulk, President, Georgia Library Association; Douglas Bates, President, Hawaii Library Association; Bradley Baker, President, Illinois Library Association; Donna Dziedzic, President-Elect, Illinois Library Association; Carl A. Harvey II, President, Indiana Library Federation; Barbara Peterson, President, Iowa Library Association; Fannie M. Cox, President, Kentucky Library Association; Melissa Hymel, President-Elect, Louisiana Library Association; Marion W. Francis, President, Maryland Library Association; Darrell Batson, President-Elect, Maryland Library Association; Kathy Irwin, President-Elect, Michigan Library Association; Kimberlee Ried, President, Missouri Library Association; Denise Gerdes, President, Nevada Library Association; Cassandra Osterloh, President, New Mexico Library Association; Rosina Alaimo, President, New York Library Association; Margaret Danziger, President, Ohio Library Council; Kathy Latrobe, President-Elect, Oklahoma Library Association; Sarah Beasley, President, Oregon Library Association; Joseph Fennewald, President-Elect, Pennsylvania Library Association; Curtis Rogers, President, South Carolina Library Association; Jane Pinkston, President, Tennessee Library Association; Steven D. Decker, President, Utah Library Association; Brian Greene, President, Wyoming Library Association; Robert Banks, ALA Councilor and President, Mountain Plains Library Association; Fawz Abdallah, President, Lebanese Library Association; Chao-Chen Chen, President, Library Association of the Republic of China; Lek Choh, President, Library Association of Singapore;

Loreto Tobias Garcia, President, Philippine Association of Academic and Research Librarians; Mauro Guerrini, President, Italian Library Association; Gilliam Hallam, President, Australian Library and Information Association, Vagn Ytte Larsen, President, Danish Library Association; Jesus Lau, President, Mexican Librarians Association; and Ken Roberts, President, Canadian Library Association.

THE ATTENDANCE AND VOTING RECORD is attached as Exhibit 1.

QUORUM. A quorum was established at the beginning of each meeting.

RULES FOR ALA COUNCIL MEETINGS, ALA CD#5. By CONSENT, the ALA Council adopted the Rules for ALA Council Meetings.

ESTABLISHING THE AGENDA, ALA CD#8.5 Revised. Council added the following resolutions to the Council I agenda under "new business": Resolution on Improving the Federal Depository Library Program and Public Access to Government Information, ALA CD#53, MMD#6. This resolution was adopted at the ALA Membership Meeting I, Saturday, June 28, 3:30-5pm. By CONSENT, Council adopted ALA CD#8.5 Revised as amended to included ALA CD#53.

2008 ALA MIDWINTER MEETING COUNCIL MINUTES, ALA CD#2.1. By CONSENT, Council adopted the 2008 ALA Midwinter Meeting Council Minutes, ALA CD#2.1.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2008-2009 COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES (COC), ALA CD#12. President-Elect Jim Rettig, Committee on Committees (COC) chair, presented the slate of candidates for the 2008-2009 Council Committee on Committees Election: Thomas L. Wilding; Locke J. Morrisey; Timothy P. Grimes; Shelley Brightman Walchak; Hector Marino; Elizabeth (Beth) Bingham; Pamela J. Hickson-Stevenson; and Gladys Smiley Bell. Four (4) candidates will be elected for a one-year term (2008-2009). Ria Newhouse and Frances R. Roscello were nominated from the floor.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2007-2008 PLANNING AND BUDGET ASSEMBLY (PBA), ALACD#12.1. President-Elect Jim Rettig presented the slate of candidates for the 2008-2009 Planning and Budget Assembly Election: Councilors-at-Large: David Gunckel; Cynthia Czesak; Suzanne Sager; Karen Gonzales; James J. Campbell; and Pamela R. Klipsch. Two (2) Chapter Councilors will be elected for two-year terms (2008-2010); and one (1) Chapter Councilor to be elected for a one-year (2008-2009) to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Jackie Griffin from the ALA Council. There were no floor nominations.

Chapter Councilors: Charles Leslie Pace; Allene F. Hayes; Barbara R. Miller; Liana H. Zhou; Sarah I. Flowers; and Elaine M. Harger. Three (3) Councilors-at-Large will be elected for two-year terms (2008-2010). There were no floor nominations.

The election results will be announced at ALA Council III on July 2, 2008, 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS, ALA CD#12.2**. Linda Blake, Thomas Gilson, Amy Harmon, Susan Paddock; Terry Rheinheimer; and Joyce Baumbach volunteered to serve as tellers for the elections. Baumbach will serve as chair.

**REVISION OF THE GUIDELINES FOR PREPARATION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR COUNCIL, ALA CD#6.2-CD#6.3**. Councilor Peter McDonald, chair, ALA Resolutions Committee moved the adoption of revised Guidelines for Preparation of Resolutions for Council, ALA CD#6.2, and the accompanying ALA Resolution Form, ALA CD#6.3.

After a brief debate, Councilors Janet Swan Hill and Monika Antonelli, moved and Council *ADOPTED*, a motion that all text following the list of revision dates be deleted.

Council then *ADOPTED*, ALA CD#6.2, ALA Policy 5.3, Council Resolutions: Guidelines for Preparation of Resolutions to Council, as amended to read:

"The following guidelines are addressed to individuals and units preparing resolutions to come before Council.

Definition: A resolution is a main motion, phrased formally, with (a) whereas clauses, (stating the background and reasons for a proposed policy, advocacy position, or action), followed by (b) Resolved clauses in numbered order (stating the proposed policy, advocacy position, or action).

#### CONTENT:

- 1. A resolution must be complete so that, upon passage, it becomes a clear and formal expression of the opinion or will of the assembly.
- 2. Resolutions, including memorials, tributes, and testimonials, must show the initiating unit, mover, and seconder and provide specific contact information from submitting parties. A resolution without a sponsor will not be presented.
- 3. The resolution should address a specific topic or issue, use concise direct language, conform to proper grammar, and present an affirmative identifiable action.
- 4. The terms used in a resolution should be readily understandable or have specific definitions.
- 5. The intent, objective or goal of the resolution should be clear and purposeful.
- 6. Resolutions should clearly support ALA's mission, core values and/or strategic directions.
- All whereas clauses that relate to an ALA policy, must include a parenthetical notation of the title of the policy and the section where it can be found in the ALA Handbook of Organization.

- 8. If the resolution calls for specific action or program with a timetable, the timetable shall be clear and achievable.
- 9. Resolved clauses at the end of a resolution gain in clarity, brevity and are easier to read by following the resolution methodology of Congress and other deliberative bodies. The new suggested wording states the resolved phrase only once: "Now therefore be it resolved by the [acting body, e.g., ALA, some committee etc.], that . . . " after which each separate resolved is stated directly in numbered order without repeating "be it resolved by . . ."
- 10. All 'Resolved" clauses within a resolution should also use the objective, rather than the subjunctive (e.g. "Now therefore be it resolved by the [American Library Association], that, 1. Supports . . . 2. Provides . . . " NOT the subjunctive form of the verb "Resolved that the American Library Association, 1. Support . . . 2. Provide . . . ")
- 11. If the resolution is addressed to or refers to a specific group or groups, it shall name in full the group or groups in both the "resolved" and "whereas" clauses followed by the acronym in parenthesis. Thereafter the acronym may be used.

#### PROCESS:

- 1. All resolutions submitted by Council members *must* be sent to the ALA Resolutions Committee for review and must be accompanied by a completed ALA Resolution Form.
- 2. All resolutions must be submitted by either a voting member of Council or an ALA Committee chair; memorial resolutions, tributes, and testimonials are exempted.
- 3. All resolutions, including memorials, tributes, and testimonials, must show the initiating unit, mover, and seconder. Local telephone numbers must be given for movers and seconders.
- 4. Resolutions must be submitted 24 hours prior to presentation to Council to allow time for reproduction and distribution. If there are fewer than 24 hours between the adjournment of Council II and the convening hour of Council III, resolutions may be submitted within 90 minutes following adjournment of Council II.
- 5. The Resolutions Committee must submit to the Executive Director and the Budget Analysis and Review Committee (BARC) all resolutions deemed to have fiscal implications at least 24 hours before they appear on the Council agendas so that BARC can provide fiscal information as required in by ALA policy. Standing committees of ALA and Council presenting resolutions to Council will follow the same process of submission to the Executive Director and BARC. Committee resolutions need no second.
- 6. Memorial resolutions, tributes, and testimonials are submitted to the Resolutions Committee but as not reviewed by the Committee. They 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:

- a. If copies are to be sent to other parties, the maker of the resolution shall provide names and addresses.
- b. The Presiding officer will read the names of persons/organizations recognized by a formal resolution; the names will be displayed on the screen and copies of each resolution will be available at the information table.
- c. American Libraries will carry an annual "memorial page" listing those members who have died since the preparation of the previous Conference Program.
- 7. All members are urged to submit a resolution or resolutions prior to the Annual Conference or Midwinter Council meetings by communicating the resolution to the chair of Resolutions Committee through electronic mail.
- 8. The Executive Director shall disseminate all adopted resolutions to identified and pertinent parties. Dissemination should occur as soon as possible, and not to exceed one month without explanation of the Executive Director to Council."

Guidelines for Preparation of Resolution for Council, ALA Policy 5.3, revised by Council 1995; 1999; 2000; 2003; 2008.

An example of the standard format for resolutions and the ALA resolution form will be attached to the revised guidelines that are distributed to individuals preparing resolutions; but will not be incorporated into the ALA Policy Manual with the revised guidelines.

Councilor Michael Golrick, Resolutions Committee member and incoming chair, noted that the newly adopted revised guidelines did say that the resolution form must be submitted with the proposed resolution. While negotiation about the content of a resolution is part of the advice the Resolutions Committee will continue to offer, the committee will be persistent in asking Councilors to fill out the resolution form that should accompany proposed resolutions.

Councilor Peter McDonald, chair, Resolutions Committee, iterated that the Resolutions Committee may not turn down a resolution, because of a member's failure to follow the guidelines or to fill out the resolutions form or any line of the resolution form.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**, **ALA 23.1**. Executive Director Keith Michael Fiels reported on the following items:

Guide to Reference. The Guide to Reference, formerly Guide to Reference Books, is the first to be published electronically and the first to engage the Web as a medium for reference publishing and services. For a progress update on ALA's new online guide, members can visit http://guidetoreference.org

ALA Membership Pavilion. Over 250 members volunteered to be ALA Ambassadors ready to answer questions and to help conference attendees network with each other. Over 30 mini ALA-101 programs will be offered in the Pavilion, which also will feature information from every ALA unit. The Membership Pavilion will be located in the ALA exhibits area.

ALTA-FOLUSA. The ALA/Association for Library Trustees and Advocates (ALTA) and Friends of Libraries USA (FOLUSA) are currently exploring the formation of an expanded division: "The Association for Library Trustees, Advocates, Friends and Foundation (ALTAFF)" within ALA. A key objective of the merger is to strengthen outreach to and support for those involved in governing, advocating for, and supporting libraries of all types. The proposal will be discussed at the ALTA Town Hall Meeting on Sunday, June 29, 4:00–5:30pm, at this conference.

ALA EXECUTIVE BOARD ACTIONS SINCE THE 2008 ALA MIDWINTER MEETING, ALA CD#15.3-15.5. Executive Director Keith Michael Fiels briefly highlighted various actions taken by the ALA Executive Board since the 2008 ALA Midwinter Meeting. The Board:

*Approved*, additional socially responsible companies as prospects for partnerships and sponsorships with ALA.

*Approved*, the creation of a presidential task force to review the guidelines for endorsing ALA candidates for office and present a status report at 2008 ALA Annual Conference with the aim to provide guidance on the election process by the fall 2008 Executive Board meeting.

*Approved*, the proposal to separate corporate membership from corporate giving and direct the Membership to forward the recommendation to the Budget Analysis and Review Committee and to ALA Council for their action.

**Voted**, that the Library Education Task Force widely distribute the draft of ALA's Core Competencies of Librarianship for comments. Further, the Executive Board acknowledges the fine work of the Task Force to date and supports their document with the comments and suggestions from the Board members at the 2008 Spring Executive Board Meeting.

IMPLEMENTATION OF ALA MIDWINTER MEETING COUNCIL ACTIONS, ALA CD#9.1. Executive Director Keith Michael Fiels presented a written report and called for questions regarding the report. Fiels also provided follow-ups on these items, acted upon by the ALA Council at the 2008 Midwinter Meeting:

(1) ALA CD#36 Revised, Resolution on Providing Accessible Workstations at American Library Association Meetings and Annual Conferences. The ALA Council ADOPTED, ALA CD#36 Revised, Resolution on Providing Accessible Workstations at American Library Association Meetings and Annual Conferences, which read: "That the ALA Executive Director work with the Association of Specialized and

Cooperative Library Agencies (ASCLA) to assess and define measures to facilitate access to computer workstations and other accommodations for persons with disabilities during midwinter meetings and annual conferences; and that the ALA Executive Director implement such measures as soon as possible."

Fiels reported that the ASCLA and ALA Conference Services Office have developed a permanent process to monitor, review, and report on current and/or expanded accessible accommodations for ALA members.

(2) ALA CD#42, Resolution on the Crisis in Kenya. The ALA Council also ADOPTED, ALA CD#42, Resolution on the Crisis in Kenya, as the "Resolved" clause was amended to read: "That the American Library Association calls for an end to the violence in Kenya, a return to press and broadcasting freedom, and the right to peacefully assemble for the people of Kenya."

Fiels noted that Kenyan Ambassador to the U.S., Peter N.R.O. Ogego, personally acknowledged receipt of the ALA resolution via telephone.

(3) A Motion to End ALA Council Meetings on Tuesday. The ALA Council REFERRED the following motion to the Budget Analysis and Review Committee (BARC) for further discussion given financial issues and report back to Council at the 2008 ALA Annual Conference: "That the scheduling of ALA Council sessions end on Tuesday as the last Council meeting beginning at the 2009 ALA Midwinter Meeting."

Plans to shorten the Midwinter Meeting and Annual Conference by one-day without reducing the time available for Council discussions or creating negative financial impact on the Association have been developed. Those plans are under discussion by divisions, committees and other groups that will need to adjust their schedules in order to accomplish their work under the new plans. Pending a favorable outcome, the revised schedules will go into effect in 2010.

Fiels also reported that in April 2008, President Loriene Roy appointed a Presidential Task Force on the ALA Election Process and Guidelines to be chaired by ALA Past President Leslie Burger. The task force will submit its recommendations to the ALA Executive Board during its October 2008 meeting.

**ALA TREASURER'S REPORT, ALA CD#13.3**. ALA Treasurer Rodney Hersberger shared some of the key ALA messages:

Hersberger noted that the Public Library Association (PLA) and the American
Association of School Librarians (AASL) hold their national conferences every two
years (even years); and the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL)
holding its national conference when the other two do not (odd year), which results
in a revenue peak in the even years and a revenue trough in the odd years. He stated

that no matter how successful a national conference is during the odd years, it will never generate enough revenue to match that generated by the two conferences held during the even years. He said that discussions on ways to shift some expenses into the higher revenue years are underway.

• 2009 is the last year of the 3-year graduated ALA personal dues increase. The \$10 per year dues increase began in 2007. Hersberger noted that discussions have also begun on developing new revenue sources over the coming years.

Hersberger also noted that the current economic slowdown may affect:

- State and local budgets and library funding;
- Travel to ALA conferences and meetings;
- Purchases of ALA products and services;
- Less advertising revenue

Hersberger then discussed the Five Strategic Pillars of the ALA 2010 Financial Plan:

- I. Continue to seek efficiencies in existing operations in making resources available for strategic priorities.
- II. Increase collaboration between ALA units to reduce redundancy and increase impact of programs and services.
- III. Invest in and develop new revenue generating products, publications and services in response to library needs.
- IV. Seek additional financial support from outside organizations that share ALA's mission and vision.
- V. Utilize increased dues revenue to support strategic priorities and initiatives.

At the end of his in-depth presentation, Hersberger answered questions from the floor.

**ADJOURNMENT**. After several announcements, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15pm.

# ALA COUNCIL II Tuesday, July 1, 2008, 9:15am-12:45pm Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom B/C Anaheim, California

The second meeting of the ALA Council during the 2008 ALA Annual Conference was convened at 9:15 a.m. on Tuesday, July 1, in the Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom B/C.

QUORUM. A quorum was established at the beginning of each meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS. President Loriene Roy announced July 1, 2008, is "Virtual Library Day on the Hill." At 11:00am, Council members are encouraged to e-mail their U.S. Senators and Representatives to call attention to the value of today's libraries, as well as other issues facing the library community.

ESTABLISHING THE AGENDA, ALA CD#8.6 Revised. ALA CD#8.6 Revised was adopted as amended, with the following changes: add under "new business:" ALA CD#53, Resolution on Improving the Federal Depository Library Programs and Public Access to Government Information; ALA CD#56, Resolution on Support for Funding for Cataloging and Bibliographic Control at the Library of Congress; ALA CD#57, Resolution Supporting the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA); ALA CD#58, Resolution Concerning ALA Policy Opposing Sweatshop Labor and Support Union Businesses; defer discussion of ALA CD#55, Resolution Adopting the Definitions of Digital Preservation and the Revised Preservation Policy for the American Library Association, until Council III.

**POLICY MONITORING COMMITTEE REPORT (PMC)**, **ALA CD#17**. Councilor Janet Swan Hill, chair, moved and Council **ADOPTED**, the following four (4) action items contained in ALA CD#17, Policy Monitoring Committee Report:

Item #1. Consistency of language denoting the library profession. It was brought to the attention of PMC that the ALA Policy Manual utilizes a number of different terms and phrases to describe the profession. At Midwinter, 2008, Council approved an effort to regularize this terminology to "Library and Information Studies" unless use of the term might be awkward or misleading. In examining the occurrences in the Policy Manual, PMC found no instances in which terminology denoting the profession could not be changed to "Library and Information Studies" while still retaining readability and comprehensibility. Accordingly, PMC recommends the following changes in the ALA Policy Manual:

54.1, paragraph 2: CHANGE "librarianship" TO "library and information studies"

54.2.1: CHANGE "master's degree in library science" TO "master's degree in library and information studies."

- 54.2.2. CHANGE "master's degree in librarianship" TO "master's degree in library and information studies."
- 55.4, Heading: CHANGE "Standards of Accreditation in Library Education: Appeals Procedure" TO "Standards of Accreditation in Library and Information Studies: Appeals Procedure."
- 55.4, line 1: CHANGE "An institution of library education" to "A graduate program in library and information studies"
- 56.1, Heading: CHANGE "Graduate Programs in Library Education" TO "Graduate Programs in Library and Information Studies."
- 56.1, paragraph 1: CHANGE "graduate library/information science educational programs" TO "graduate programs in library and information studies (LIS)"
- 56.1, paragraph 2: DELETE "(LIS)"
- 56.2: CHANGE "ALA-accredited programs of library science..." to "ALA-accredited programs of library and information studies."
- 60.5, Heading: CHANGE "Library Education" TO "Library and Information Studies Education"
- 60.5, line 2/3: CHANGE "graduate library and information science programs" TO "Graduate programs in library and information studies"

Item #2. Updating Policy 55.4. In the process of examining policies for terminology, PMC noted the following wording as the last sentence of Policy 55.4, Standards of Accreditation in Library Education: Appeals Procedure: "The details of the appeals procedure shall be adopted by the Executive Board as implementation of this policy, and the procedure shall be a part of the information supplied to institutions participating in the accreditation process."

The appeals procedures were adopted by the Executive Board in January 2003. PMC recommends that the final sentence of 55.4 be deleted and replaced with: "Details regarding the appeals procedure shall be supplied to all programs participating in the accreditation process."

Item #3. Placement of revisions to the Code of Ethics (ALA Policy 40.2)

At the 2008 Midwinter Meeting, Council approved several revisions to the ALA Code of Ethics. In the document passed by Council, the sections of the Code were numbered as "ARTICLE X, ARTICLE Y, etc.," while the Code itself uses the numbering "1), 2), etc." PMC regards this difference as an editorial matter only, and has substituted the existing

numbering system for the one used in the Council document. Otherwise, the changes put forth here are exactly as passed by Council. PMC recommends the following changes to Policy 40.2:

- 3): DELETE the current wording and REPLACE WITH: "We protect each library user's right to privacy and confidentiality with respect to information sought or received and resources consulted, borrowed, acquired, or transmitted."
- 4): DELETE the current wording and REPLACE WITH: "We respect intellectual property rights and advocate balance between the interests of information users and rights holders."
- 5): DELETE the current wording and REPLACE WITH: "We treat co-workers and other colleagues with respect, fairness, good faith, and advocate conditions of employment that safeguard the rights and welfare of all employees of our institutions."
- Item #4. Revised Council Resolutions: Guidelines for Preparation of Resolutions to Council (ALA Policy 5.3). At Council I, Annual Conference 2008, Council approved new guidelines to aid councilors in the preparation of resolutions. PMC recommends that the following text be substituted for the text that currently appears as ALA Policy 5.3:
  - 5.3 Council Resolutions: Guidelines for Preparation of Resolutions to Council. The following guidelines are addressed to individuals and units preparing resolutions to come before Council.

Definition: A resolution is a main motion, phrased formally, with (a) whereas clauses, (stating the background and reasons for a proposed policy, advocacy position, or action), followed by (b) Resolved clauses in numbered order (stating the proposed policy, advocacy position, or action).

#### **CONTENT:**

- 1. A resolution must be complete so that, upon passage, it becomes a clear and formal expression of the opinion or will of the assembly.
- 2. Resolutions, including memorials, tributes, and testimonials, must show the initiating unit, mover, and seconder and provide specific contact information from submitting parties. A resolution without a sponsor will not be presented.
- 3. The resolution should address a specific topic or issue, use concise direct language, conform to proper grammar, and present an affirmative identifiable action.

- 4. The terms used in a resolution should be readily understandable or have specific definitions.
- 5. The intent, objective or goal of the resolution should be clear and purposeful.
- 6. Resolutions should clearly support ALA's mission, core values and/or strategic directions.
- 7. All whereas clauses that relate to an ALA policy, must include a parenthetical notation of the title of the policy and the section where it can be found in the ALA Handbook of Organization.
- 8. If the resolution calls for specific action or program with a timetable, the timetable shall be clear and achievable.
- 9. Resolved clauses at the end of a resolution gain in clarity, brevity and are easier to read by following the resolution methodology of Congress and other deliberative bodies. The new suggested wording states the resolved phrase only once: "Now therefore be it resolved by the [acting body, e.g. ALA, some committee etc.], that..." after which each separate resolved is stated directly in numbered order without repeating "be it resolved by...".
- 10. All 'Resolved" clauses within a resolution should also use the objective, rather than the subjunctive (e.g. "Now therefore be it resolved by the [American Library Association], that, 1. Supports... 2. Provides ..." NOT the subjunctive form of the verb "Resolved that the American Library Association, 1. Support... 2. Provide...")
- 11. If the resolution is addressed to or refers to a specific group or groups, it shall name in full the group or groups in both the 'resolved' and 'whereas' clauses followed by the acronym in parenthesis. Thereafter the acronym may be used.

#### PROCESS:

- 1. All resolutions submitted by Council members *must* be sent to the ALA Resolutions Committee for review and must be accompanied by a completed ALA Resolution Form.
- 2. All resolutions must be submitted by either a voting member of Council or an ALA Committee chair; memorial resolutions, tributes, and testimonials are exempted.
- 3. All resolutions, including memorials, tributes, and testimonials, must show the initiating unit, mover, and seconder. Local telephone numbers must be given for movers and seconders.
- 4. Resolutions must be submitted 24 hours prior to presentation to Council to allow

time for reproduction and distribution. If there are fewer than 24 hours between the adjournment of Council II and the convening hour of Council III, resolutions may be submitted within 90 minutes following adjournment of Council II.

- 5. The Resolutions Committee must submit to the Executive Director and the Budget Analysis and Review Committee (BARC) all resolutions deemed to have fiscal implications at least 24 hours before they appear on the Council agendas so that BARC can provide fiscal information as required in by ALA policy. Standing committees of ALA and Council presenting resolutions to Council will follow the same process of submission to the Executive Director and BARC. Committee resolutions need no second.
- 6. Memorial resolutions, tributes, and testimonials are submitted to the Resolutions Committee but as not reviewed by the Committee. They 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:
  - a. If copies are to be sent to other parties, the maker of the resolution shall provide names and addresses.
  - b. The Presiding officer will read the names of persons/organizations recognized by a formal resolution; the names will be displayed on the screen and copies of each resolution will be available at the information table.
  - c. American Libraries will carry an annual "memorial page" listing those members who have died since the preparation of the previous Conference Program.
- 7. All members are urged to submit a resolution or resolutions prior to the Annual Conference or Midwinter Council meetings by communicating the resolution to the chair of Resolutions Committee through electronic mail.
- 8. The Executive Director shall disseminate all adopted resolutions to identified and pertinent parties. Dissemination should occur as soon as possible, and not to exceed one month without explanation of the Executive Director to Council.

TASK FORCE ON E-MEMBER PARTICIPATION REPORT, ALA, CD#35.1. Janet Swan Hill, chair, presented a written report and called for questions regarding the report. At the 2009 ALA Midwinter Meeting, the task force will present its final report with a range of recommendations for the ALA Council's consideration.

ALA MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT, ALA CD#10. Dora Ho, chair, moved and Council APPROVED, the proposal to restructure corporate membership by establishing two levels of corporate membership dues, \$500 and \$2,000, to take effect on September 1, 2008; and that ALA

Council requests the Policy Monitoring Committee to revise policy 12, section 2, to read: "Corporate Members: Level 1: \$500; Level 2: \$2,000."

# APPROVAL OF THE 2009 ALA BUDGETARY CEILINGS. ALA Treasurer Rod Hersberger moved and Council

**VOTED**, To approve the ALA FY2009 Budgetary Ceilings as follows:

General Funds	\$30,483,643
Divisions	24,680,707
Round Tables	1,110,275
Grants & Awards	10,848,328
Long-term Investments	861,325
Total ALA FY 2009 Budgetary Ceiling	\$67,984,278

FREEDOM TO READ FOUNDATION (FTRF) REPORT, ALA CD# 22.1. FTRF President Judith Platt reported that in spring 2008, the FTRF filed a lawsuit in Indiana against a new law that would require booksellers that sell materials considered harmful to minors to register with the state as an adult business and to pay a \$250 registration fee. Platt said the statute is written so broadly that it could include libraries and friends' groups that sell discarded books. The FTRF is joined as a plaintiff by several free expression organizations, including the Association of American Publishers, the American Book Sellers' Foundation for Free Expression, several local organizations, including two Indianapolis bookstores, and the Indianapolis Museum of Art.

The FTRF has also filed a lawsuit, *Powell's Books v. Hardy Myers*, which challenges a new Oregon law that criminalizes the dissemination of sexually explicit material to anyone under the age of 13 or the dissemination to anyone under the age of 18 of any material with the intent to sexually arouse the recipient or the provider. The new statute makes no provision for judging the material as a whole or for considering its serious literacy, artistic, or scientific value.

Other cases the FTRF is involved in or monitoring include Entertainment Software Association and Entertainment Merchants Association v. Swanson (formerly ESA v. Hatch); Video Software Dealers Assn. et al. v. Schwarzenegger; U.S. v. Williams; Gorran v. Atkins Nutritionals, Inc.; Mukasey v. American Civil Liberties Union (formerly ACLU v. Gonzales); ABFFE v. Dann (formerly Bookfriends, Inc. v. Taft); Civil Liberties Union of Florida v Miami-Dade School Board; and Sarah Bradburn et al. v. North Central Regional Library District.

Jason McGill, a student at the University of Rhode Island's Library and Information Studies Masters program, is the first recipient of the Gordon M. Conable Scholarship. As this year's Conable Scholar, McGill attended various FTRF and other intellectual freedom meetings and programs at this conference.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

RESOLUTION ON IMPROVING THE FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARY PROGRAM AND PUBLIC ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT INFORMATION, ALA CD#53, MMD#6. Councilors Larry Romans, Frances Buckley, and Kevin Reynolds moved that Resolution on Improving the Federal Depository Library Program and Public Access to Government Information, CD#53, be substituted with Resolution on Improving the Federal Depository Library Program and Public Access to Government Information, ALA CD#53 Revised; and that ALA CD#53 Revised be referred to the Committee on Legislation. The ALA Council

VOTED, to substitute and refer Resolution on Improving the Federal Depository Library Program and Public Access to Government Information, ALA CD#53 Revised, which read: "That the American Library Association (ALA) urges the Government Printing Office (GPO) to give priority to expanding the scope of the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) collection by capturing a greater percentage of digital and print fugitive government information products; urges the GPO to develop a plan to expand partnerships for digital retrospective conversion and born digital capture with standards based curation; urges the GPO and the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) to accept and archive digital copies resulting from cooperative government information digitization efforts; urges the GPO to explore within current law all options for cooperative collection development and maintenance, including shared housing agreements between regional depositories and selective depositories; urges the GPO to create an inventory of all government publications held in depository libraries; urges the GPO to coordinate depository library cataloging projects for pre-1976 and fugitive publications, and to incorporate them into the Catalog of Government Publications (CGP); urges the GPO to carry out a series of focused studies that together provide a comprehensive accounting of the issues facing the FDLP and the participating libraries; and urges Congress to allocate sufficient appropriations to GPO to undertake these initiatives."

RESOLUTION ON SUPPORT FOR FUNDING FOR CATALOGING AND BIBLIOGRAPHIC CONTROL AT THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS, ALA CD#56. Councilors Diane Dates Casey and Janet Swan Hill moved and the ALA Council

ADOPTED, ALA CD#56, Resolution on Support for Funding for Cataloging and Bibliographic Control at the Library of Congress, which read: "That the American Library Association (ALA) urges the Library of Congress to devote more resources to the training of professional bibliographic access librarians, both those employed at the Library of Congress and in other American libraries; that the ALA Executive Director instructs the Washington Office to advocate the petition for increased federal funding to support the work of bibliographic control at the Library of Congress by filling and expanding the number of bibliographic access positions; and that the ALA Executive Director instructs the Washington Office to communicate this message in discussions with members of Congress and others."

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EMPLOYMENT NON-DISCRIMINATION ACT (ENDA), ALA CD#57. Councilors John Sandstrom and Amy Harmon moved and the ALA Council

**ADOPTED**, ALA CD#57, Resolution Supporting the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA), which read: "That the American Library Association (ALA) calls for the reinstatement in the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) of protections for transgender persons from employment discrimination on the basis of gender identity and expression; and ALA calls for passage of H.R. 2015 or other inclusive version of ENDA by both Houses of Congress."

RESOLUTION CONCERNING ALA POLICY OPPOSING SWEATSHOP LABOR AND SUPPORT UNION BUSINESSES, ALA CD#58. Councilors Al Kagan and Jonathan Betz-Zall moved and Council

**ADOPTED**, ALA CD#58, Resolution Concerning ALA Policy Opposing Sweatshop Labor and Support Union Businesses, as amended to read: "That the American Library Association (ALA) and its divisions, round tables, and all other units should purchase all products for distribution to membership from sweatshop free producers; and that this resolution and information about how to comply with it shall be distributed to all ALA divisions, round tables, all other units and ALA staff."

ADJOURNMENT. After several announcements, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

# ALA COUNCIL III Wednesday, July 2, 2008, 8:00am-12:30pm Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom B/C Anaheim, California

The third meeting of the ALA Council during the 2008 Annual Conference was convened at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 2, 2008, in the Anaheim Convention Center, Ballroom A.

QUORUM. A quorum was established at the beginning of each meeting.

ESTABLISHING THE AGENDA, ALA CD#8.7 Revised. ALA CD#8.7 Revised was adopted as amended to include the following resolutions under "new business": ALA CD#55, Resolution Adopting the Definitions of Digital Preservation and the Revised Preservation Policy for the American Library Association, and ALA CD#59, Resolution on Expanding Council Transparency.

**MEMORIALS**, **ALA M-#5-ALA M-#6**. Council Policy 5.3 (15) provides that memorials, tributes, and testimonials will be presented at the beginning of the last session of Council. Memorials were adopted for Carol Combs Hole, M-#5 and Ellen Ruth McCrady, M-#6.

TRIBUTES, ALA TR-3-TR-6. By ACCLAMATION, Council adopted the following tributes: Library Support Staff Interests Round Table (LSSIRT) 15th Anniversary, T-#3; Gail McGovern, T-#4; San Jose School of Library Information Science, CD#T-5; and Barbara Walden, T-6.

TELLERS REPORT ON THE ELECTION FOR THE 2008-2009 COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES AND THE PLANNING AND BUDGET ASSEMBLY, ALA CD#12.3. Joyce Baumbach, chair, reported the following election results:

*ELECTED*, To the 2008-2009 Council Committee on Committees: Gladys Smiley Bell (2008-2009); Thomas L. Wilding (2008-2009); Pamela J. Hickson-Stevenson (2008-2009); and Frances R. Roscello (2008-2009).

*ELECTED*, To the 2008-2009 Planning and Budget Assembly: Councilors-at-Large: Barbara R. Miller (2008-2009); Charles Leslie Pace (2008-2009); and Elaine M. Harger (2008-2009). Chapter: Cynthia Czesak (2008-2009); Karen Gonzales (2008-2010); and Pamela K. Klipsch (2008-2010).

**CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE REPORT, ALA CD#25.1.** Councilor Thaddeus Bejnar, chair, moved and Council adopted the following actions:

- Item #1. To accept the Association for Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL) as an affiliate under Article X of the ALA Constitution.
- Item #2. To accept the Association of Bookmobile and Outreach Services (ABOS) as an affiliate under Article X of the ALA Constitution.
- Item #3. That the ALA Constitution Article VIII, Section 2. Vacancy. Revised to read: "a. President-elect. When a vacancy occurs in the office of president-elect, or when an elected incoming president-elect withdraws or is unable to serve before the assumption of office, then the Executive Board shall appoint an individual to serve in such office, or to assume such office, subject to a confirmation mail vote by Council. Until the individual is confirmed by Council, they shall serve in an acting capacity.
- b. Treasurer. When a vacancy occurs in the office of treasurer, or when an elected incoming treasurer withdraws or is unable to serve before the assumption of office, then the Executive Board shall appoint an individual to serve in such office, or to assume such office, subject to a confirmation mail vote by Council. Until the individual is confirmed by Council, they shall serve in an acting capacity. The position of treasurer shall be filled by regular election at the next election, unless at the time of appointment the next regular election is less than four (4) months away, in which case the position of treasurer shall be filled at the following election."

Item#4. ALA Constitution Article VIII, Section 5, Terms of Office. Revised to read: "All officers and elected members of the Executive Board shall serve until the adjournment of the Annual Conference that follows the selection of their successors."

RECOGNITION OF RETIRING COUNCIL AND EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS. President Loriene Roy recognized the following Council members whose terms will expire at the adjournment of the 2008 Annual Conference: Christine M. Allen, Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) Division Councilor; Monika J. Antonelli, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Robert E. Banks, Kansas Chapter Councilor; Toni A. Bernardi, Councilor-at-Large; Kathleen E. Bethel, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Mary Biblo, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Nicolas H. Buron, Councilor-at-Large; Audra L. Caplan, Councilor-at-Large; Diane Dates Casey, (ALCTS) Division Councilor (re-elected); Barbara W. Cole, Councilor-at-Large; Diedre Conkling, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Julie A. Cummins, Councilor-at-Large; Phyllis Davis, Wisconsin Chapter Councilor; Joseph M. Eagan, Maryland Chapter Councilor (will remain on Council as an Executive Board member); Kathy Ann East, Councilor-at-Large; Randall Enos, Councilor-at-Large; Molly E. Fogarty, Massachusetts Chapter Councilor; Barbara A. Genco, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Linda Marie Golian-Lui, Hawaii Chapter Councilor); Vickie L. Gregory, Florida Chapter Councilor; Dolores D. Gwaltney, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Annelle R. Huggins, Tennessee Chapter Councilor; Ling Hwey Jeng, Councilor-at-Large

(re-elected); Wei Jeng-Chu, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Erlene Bishop Killeen, Councilor-at-Large; Margaret L. Kirkpatrick, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Leslie Kong, California Chapter Councilor; Charles E. Kratz, Jr., Councilor-at-Large (will remain on Council as ALA Executive Board member); Bonnie L. Kunzel, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Katherine Bradford Lehman, Councilor-at-Large; Rory Litwin, Councilor-at-Large; Mary Frances Long, Councilor-at-Large; Norman Maas, Public Library Association (PLA) Councilor; Sue H. MacTavish, Library Administration and Management Association (LAMA) Councilor; Peter McDonald, Councilor-at-Large; Michael J. Miller, Councilor-at-Large; Toni Negro, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Susan S. Paddock, Virginia Chapter Councilor; Ana-Elba Pavon, Councilor-at-Large; Michael A. Poma, Nebraska Chapter Councilor; Teresa A. Rheinheimer; Indiana Chapter Councilor; Dale H. Ross, Iowa Chapter Councilor; Carol A. Rudisell, Delaware Chapter Councilor; Virginia M. Sanchez, Councilor-at-Large; Sherrie Schmidt, Councilor-at-Large; Barbara K. Stripling, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Theresa A. Tobin, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Lisa Von Drasek, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Ann C. Weeks, Councilor-at-Large (re-elected); Courtney L. Young, New Members Round Table (NMRT) Councilor (elected Councilor-at-Large).

President Roy also acknowledged with thanks the following retiring Executive Board members whose terms expired at the adjournment of the 2008 ALA Annual Conference: June A. Pinnell-Stephens, (elected Councilor-at-Large); Francis (Fran) Buckley, Jr.; Patricia (Pat) H. Smith; and Immediate Past President Leslie B. Burger.

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM COMMITTEE (IFC) REPORT, ALA CD#19.1-ALA CD#19.7. Kenton L. Oliver, chair, moved and Council:

**APPROVED**, the revisions to the following six (6) Interpretations of the *Library Bill of Rights*:

- 1. Access to Library Resources and Services Regardless of Sex, Gender Identity or Sexual Orientation, ALA CD#19.2;
- Access to Resources and Services in the School Library Media Programs, ALA CD#19.3;
- 3. Diversity in Collection Development, ALA CD#19.4;
- 4. Evaluating Library Collections, ALA CD#19.5;
- 5. Expurgation of Library Materials, ALA CD#19.6; and
- 6. Free Access to Libraries for Minors, ALA CD#19.7

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE (IRC) REPORT, ALA CD#18.1-18.3. Blanche Woolls, chair, moved and the ALA Council

VOTED, To replace ALA CD#44, Resolution on the Confiscation of Iraqi Documents from the Iraq National Library and Archives, adopted January 16, 2008, which read: "That ALA condemns the confiscation of documents from the Iraq National Library and Archive by the Unites States and British forces and strongly advocates the immediate return of all documents; and that ALA calls for the United States Government to honor the Hague

Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict and its Second Protocol."

with

ALA CD#18.2, Resolution on the Confiscation of Iraqi Documents, which read: "That ALA condemns the confiscation of all seized documents from Iraq and strongly advocates the immediate return of those documents to the people of Iraq; and that ALA calls for the United States Government to honor the Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict and its Second Protocol."

COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION, ALA CD#27.1. Melora Ranney Norman, chair, moved and the ALA Council

VOTED, To revise the composition of the Committee on Accreditation as follows: "The Committee on Accreditation shall be composed of twelve members including the chair. There shall be nine members at large, two public members who are neither members of ALA nor librarians, and one individual from the Canadian library community who is appointed in consultation with the Canadian Library Association. Each public member shall be appointed for a two-year term, which may be renewed once. Each of the other members shall be appointed for non-renewable four-year terms. All terms shall be staggered. No member may serve more than four years. To qualify as a public member, a person must not have enrolled in library and information studies coursework, been employed in a library, served as a library trustee, or been a member of the American Library Association or other library associations."

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION (COL) REPORT, ALA CD#20.7-ALA CD#20.10. Camila A. Alire, chair, moved and the ALA Council ADOPTED the following resolutions:

ALA CD#20.8, Resolution in Support of the National Agricultural Library (NAL), which read: "That the American Library Association urges the United States Congress to fund NAL for FY2009 at the \$22 million level recommended by the House Agricultural Subcommittee; and that the American Library Association incorporate our four national libraries (National Agricultural Library (NAL); National Library of Education (NLE); National Library of Medicine (NLM); and the National Transportation Library (NTL) in the @Your Library campaign to raise the awareness of the value of our national libraries to the ALA's membership and the American public."

ALA CD#20.9, Resolution on the E-Government Reauthorization Act of 2007 (S.2321), which read: "That the American Library Association urges Congress to re-emphasize its commitment to support the role of libraries in the delivery of E-Government services; supports the measures outlined in the E-Government Reauthorization Act of 2007 (S.2321) for the Director of the OMB to provide guidance and best practices to ensure availability of public on-line federal government information and services; supports language in the E-

Government Reauthorization Act of 2007 to mirror the language in Section 213 of the E-Government Act of 2002 which recognizes the critical role public libraries play in providing E-Government services to the American public; urges Congress to authorize adequate funding to support the role of libraries in the delivery of E-Government services as expressed in Section 213 of the E-Government Act of 2002; and supports the measures outlined in the E-Government Reauthorization Act of 2007 that will ensure compliance by federal agencies with the guidelines outlined by the OMB."

ALA CD#20.10, Resolution in Support of Preservation and Access to the Audio Heritage, which read: "That the American Library Association urges Members of the U.S. Congress to charge the U.S. Copyright Office to conduct a study on the desirability of bringing sound recordings before February 15, 1972, under federal jurisdiction."

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE DEFINITIONS OF DIGITAL PRESERVATION, ALA CD#55. Councilors Diane Dates Casey and Wei Jeng-Chu moved and the ALA Council

**ADOPTED**, ALA CD#55, Resolution Adopting the Definitions of Digital Preservation, which read: "That the American Library Association adopts the definitions of digital preservation and the revised Preservation Policy for use on the web, verbally, in written policy statements, and other documents."

RESOLUTION ON EXPANDING COUNCIL TRANSPARENCY, ALA CD#59 REVISED.

Councilors Aaron W. Dobbs and Amy Harmon moved and the ALA Council

**ADOPTED**, ALA CD#59 Revised, Resolution on Expanding Council Transparency, which read: "That Council instructs the ALA Executive Director:

- 1. Explore methods of making Council proceedings transparent to the ALA membership;
- 2. Report back to ALA Council at Midwinter 2009; and
- 3. Request user input, to gauge interest and to help guide future efforts in making the business of the Association more visible to the membership.

ADJOURNMENT. The meeting was adjourned at the completion of the agenda.