

rewarding to both ALA NMRT and the Affiliates.

In my experience with the Texas Library Association's NMRT, it has seemed that we merely make reports to ALA NMRT each year, but are not interacting or receiving support from the national group in a meaningful way.

TLA NMRT has copied ALA NMRT in several areas and ALA NMRT has served as a good role model for us--but that is because we've had so many members in both organizations to cause some cross-pollination--not because of the structure of the Affiliate's Council.

In changing the structure, I believe it will be important to address and communicate to the Affiliates what decision is made regarding the dues Affiliate's Council members now send in to ALA NMRT each year. It is a small amount, but in state organizations, every penny is precious to us. If the structure is changing, fees will need to change as well.

I hope these comments are helpful to you. My term will be ending in April.