

NMRT Board Member Planning Report

1. Office Name: Leadership Director

2. Office Term (Date: Ex. 2005-2006): 2011-2013

3. How do you plan to help committees address the four NMRT goals? (If it does not apply, put N/A.)

Goal 2 (“provide a wide variety of programs to assist, encourage, and educate those new to the association and the profession”): The Online Discussion Forum Committee hosts monthly discussions on topics relevant to new librarians on NMRT-L.

4. How do you plan to create a positive committee experience? What type of support do you plan to provide to chairs and committee members, and how often do you plan to provide such support?

I introduced myself to my committee chairs in July and have asked them to include me in all e-mails they send their committee members. I plan to monitor discussions in ALA Connect as well, and to check in at least monthly regarding progress on what the NMRT Handbook indicates are that month’s responsibilities.

5. What future directions do you see your office or NMRT needing to take this year or the following year? What kind of strategies do you envision for addressing projects that affect committees outside of your supervision?

We have lost funding for the Marshall Cavendish Award Committee, so a new name and a permanent line in the NMRT budget for the committee need to be established.

Also, NMRT President Linda Crook has expressed a desire for more program feedback, so I will be working with the Annual Program committee to make sure that happens.

6. Date of report: September 7, 2011

7. Submitted by: Megan Hodge