

NMRT Board Member Progress Report

1. Office Name: Past President

2. Office Term (Date: Ex. 2005-2006): 2010-2011

3. What kind of interaction have you had with your committees thus far this year? What support have you been able to provide them?

My work has progressed well to this point in the year.

- a. I coordinated the selection of an ALA Emerging Leader who receives \$1000 from NMRT to attend Midwinter and Annual.
- b. I have worked with the Nominating Committee to develop a slate for the upcoming election. I also worked with the chair to revise the time line for the committee in the Handbook wiki.
- c. I have represented NMRT beyond the round table, building on the accomplishments from my presidential year.

4. What would you still like to accomplish in your office before the end of your term?

I would like to work with this year's slate of candidates and the Nominating Committee to develop best practices and recommendations for the video portion of the Online Candidate Forum. This is the first year that candidates were asked to create a brief video based on a single question. Challenges with regards to notification, video creation, and upload were experienced. If this continues to be a component of the process, we need to evaluate what worked, what did not, and develop recommendations for future candidates and committees.

I will emphasize again what I noted in my planning report: It has been noted by past presidents that "NMRT is very good at self-evaluation and responding to changes in circumstances." The Past President support's the President's agenda, acts as a sounding board, and helps the rest of the board with our institutional memory. When possible, this officer should share her knowledge and work with other on ways to help our members grow in the profession. I would like to add that the advice and feedback of the past president should be sought when something seems confusing or questions come up.

6. Date of report: February 14, 2011

7. Submitted by: Courtney L. Young