

## **NMRT Board Member Progress Report**

**1. Office Name:** Leadership Development Director

**2. Office Term (Date: Ex. 2005-2006):** 2017-2019

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

Thus far, I try to check in with my committees once or twice per month, depending on the committee and the current activities they participating in. I remind them to copy me on all emails throughout their planning processes so I'm aware of committee actions and my attention is drawn to any signs that there might be a need for my assistance. I offer to step in and provide additional assistance to any of my committees if needed as well as to connect them with ALA staff for any questions that I am not able to answer.

Additionally, there was an instance of one committee having a member drop out and I assisted in finding them a replacement for that committee to operate fully.

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

In general, I would like to create an increased awareness of the opportunities and services that NMRT offers, including the committees that I oversee. I hope to increase participation in the Online Discussion Forum and perhaps thinking of new initiatives to reach people and have a conversation about current topics of librarianships. Additionally, for next year's cycle of professional development/conference attendance grants, I would like to expand the scope and hopefully increase the number of applicants who apply for these grants. I would also like to secure additional funding/corporate sponsorship for future NMRT Annual Socials. There was an attempt by the current Annual Social committee chair to ask Mango Languages if they would like to sponsor this year's New Orleans social but the representative was unresponsive to her request.

**5. Date of report: February 19, 2018**

**6. Submitted by: Veronica Leigh Milliner**