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CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

MAJOR ACTIONS OF THE ALSC BOARD

- Supported the YASD resolution commending the publication of *Information Power*.
- Accepted with thanks and endorsed the PLA/ALSC Committee on Output Measures' report.
- Supported the intent of the Resolution in Support of the Young Americans' Act.
- Instructed the ALSC councilor to support the SCOLE statement on the M.L.S. degree as the appropriate one and to support an AASL statement on education for school media specialists if one is presented that is acceptable to SCOLE.
- Endorsed in principle the ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee's resolution opposing the Child Protection and Obscenity Enforcement Act of 1988.
- Endorsed the recommendations of the Special Committee on Freedom and Equality of Access to Information and instructed the ALSC councilor to vote accordingly at council.
- Recommended that ALSC staff be upgraded to compete with similar positions in the Chicago area.
- Elected Barbara Barstow to be the board representative to the Program Evaluation and Support Committee (PESC).
- Approved the 1989 budget with changes recommended by PESC.
- Approved the allocation of monies to ALSC special projects for the development of institutes, grants, and proposals.
- Approved the Publications Committee recommendations of publishing a short story index and Notable Books, 1981-85.
- Tabled the recommendation from ALSC Organizations and Bylaws Committee regarding the Boy Scouts of America Advisory Committee until a task force reports to the board on the matter at Midwinter 1989.
- Dismissed with thanks the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Caldecott Medal Task Force and directed the executive director to investigate the possibility of exhibiting the Caldecott banners throughout the country.
- Approved the 1989 Dallas programs, including two preconferences.

MAJOR ACTIONS OF THE YASD BOARD

- Approved continuation of a shared staffing arrangement between ASCLA and YASD (with YASD providing 20 percent of executive director's time and 28 percent of support staff time to ASCLA).
- Endorsed the *Information Power* resolution.
- Directed YASD executive director to explore the establishment of a fund within YASD that might help defray membership costs for students and re-