Policy Statement:
An annual budget of $5,000 will be earmarked for the “AASL Presidential Initiative.”

Focus:
Primary: AASL Budget Committee
Secondary: AASL Board of Directors

Purpose:
To describe the guidelines for the AASL Presidential Initiative.

Procedure:
1. The purpose of the AASL Presidential Initiative Fund is to provide an opportunity for the AASL President to proactively advance an issue of importance to him/her while simultaneously supporting the AASL Strategic Plan.
2. Funding is provided in the amount of $5,000 for the Initiative. AASL Presidents are not required to develop an Initiative.
3. The President-Elect develops and submits a plan to the Executive Committee at the Fall Executive Committee meeting during their President-Elect year. With approval by the Executive Committee the proposal will be submitted to the full Board of Directors during the ALA Midwinter Meeting.
4. Proposals must include: Initiative goal(s), related objectives to the AASL strategic plan, schedule of completion, budget and evaluation.
5. All funding, if requested, must be spent by the end of the Presidential term. There will be no carryover funds.
6. The actual initiative does not begin until the President-Elect is officially seated as President. Headquarters resources are focused on the initiative of the sitting President. Any preparatory work by headquarters on the initiative during the President-Elect year may be limited with consideration to the timing of the initiative.
7. The Executive Director will determine feasibility and timeframes of headquarters resources.