Present for the call: President Julie Todaro; President-elect James Neal; Immediate Past President Sari Feldman; Treasurer Susan Hildreth; Executive Director Keith Michael Fiels; Sr. Associate Executive Director Mary Ghikas. Board Members: John DeSantis, Karen Downing, Loida Garcia-Febo, Peter Hepburn, Julius C. Jefferson, Jr., Mike Marlin, Andrew Pace, and Gina Persichini; Past President Courtney Young; Washington Office Executive Director Emily Sheketoff; Director of the Office for Information Technology Policy Alan S. Inouye; Managing Director of the Office of Government Relations Adam Eisgrau; Consultant Jennifer Backus; and Executive Board Secretariat Kerri Price. Absent: Director of the Office of ALA Governance JoAnne Kempf.

I. **Affiliate Application for Latino Literacy Now**
   Julie Todaro presented Latino Literacy Now’s application for affiliate status. Latino Literacy Now, a 501(c)(3) not for profit organization, promotes literacy in the community in all forms: educational, financial, reading, and community awareness. The Board approved the application and forwarded it to the ALA Constitution & Bylaws Committee for review at the 2017 Midwinter Meeting.

II. **2017 Midwinter Meeting Update**
   Mary Ghikas reported that registration numbers are slightly behind the 2016 Midwinter Meeting in Boston at 2,219, compared to 2,307 for Boston at the same time last year. Advertising revenue also lags Boston revenue, but exhibits space is slightly ahead.

   The Board discussed the Atlanta March for Social Justice and Women to be held on Saturday, January 21, during the 2017 Midwinter Meeting. Ghikas will provide more information in the coming days related to the planned route and member needs related to the March.

III. **FY 2016 and FY 2017 Budget Updates**
   Susan Hildreth and Keith Michael Fiels provided a budget update, noting that FY 2016 ended with a positive net variance. Regarding the FY 2017 budget, the Finance Department needs more information on Midwinter Meeting numbers to present an accurate picture of the budget and will update the Board when that information is available. The revised FY 2017 budget will reflect the revenue reduction of $468,139 from the Publishing Department.

   Staff is currently working on ALA’s five-year plan, a foundational and central tool used in the creation of the Association’s finances and planning. The plan provides a specific focus on the General Fund, projected General Fund, and the revenue and expenses that can be controlled by management.

IV. **Gun Violence Working Group**
   Mike Marlin reported that the Gun Violence Working Group will send out a second draft of the Gun Violence Resolution. The draft incorporated public comments and is much stronger than the first draft that was sent to membership in September 2016.
V. 45-115/Presidential and Congressional Transition Planning and Discussion
Julie Todaro reported that the Washington Office created three three-page papers that outline policy priorities for the Association. The papers cover broadband adoption, access, and use; small business opportunities; and services to veterans.

ALA will not stream the inauguration at the 2017 Midwinter Meeting but will plan an event that will allow members to discuss current events. The Board will communicate this change of plan to ALA membership in the coming days.

Discussion turned to addressing member concerns and the need to be proactive about the incoming administration and possible policy changes, including threats to net neutrality, E-rate, immigrant rights, LGBTQ rights, and the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities.