American Library Association  
Committee on Research and Statistics (CORS)  
2006 Midwinter Meeting  
San Antonio, TX  
Agenda

*Note meeting day and time change:*

Saturday, January 21, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Convention Center Room 101-B

This agenda is continuous and is subject to reordering.

**Meeting Management:**

1. Michael Golrick, ALA Executive Board Liaison
2. IFLA update (Sherrie Schmidt)
3. Approval of minutes from Annual 2005 (Chicago, IL)
4. Approval of agenda for Midwinter Meeting (San Antonio, TX)

**Continuing Business:**

5. Report of chair (O’Connor)  
   - Gorman Initiative – Forum and survey(s)
   - Public library funding survey and quick response surveys  
   - ALA member demographic survey  
   - ALA-PIO household survey  
   - ALA OLOS-PIO rural libraries study  
   - Bowker Annual article  
   - IMLS-funded study of library networks and cooperatives (Leslie Manning CORS rep)
7. COR pre-conference program recommendation, 2007 (Hall-Ellis)  
   - **Pre-Conference Title:** “Re-using Your Data – What Can I Do with It Now?”  
   **Purpose:** To provide an informal, engaging learning experience so that participants will recognize the importance of conducting and reporting action research, increase their awareness of research methods (quantitative, qualitative, and mixed designs), understand the process that moves specific data collection and analysis through the process of generalizations
8. 2006 ALA CORS-RASA joint program discussion (Ladner, Manning, O’Connor)
   - Research that resulted in meaningful change in a library or system (use of data for decision making). Update on program planning.

9. Council request to investigate equity of access of library education issues (Davis, O’Connor)
   Strategy 6: Equity of Access of Library Education (Area 2)
   As more and more academic programs are becoming available online through distance learning, many higher education institutions are beginning to use a two-tier system in tuition fee setting: one for on campus students and the other for students choosing online education. Specific statistics should be gathered in terms of the discrepancies in tuition fees (in-state v. out of state, on-campus v. online) of LIS programs, in order to identify potential inequity in student access to library education.
   Recommendation: Refer Strategy 6 to HRDR, Office for Diversity, and Office of Research and Statistics for consideration and actions.

New Business:

10. NCLIS update (Neal Kaske)

11. IMLS update (Mary Downs)

12. NISO Z39.7 (Library Statistics Standard) update (Kendricks)

13. ALA-PIO Advocacy Committee update (Ladner)

14. SIRSI Normative Data Project update (Bob Molyneux and Christie Koontz)

Documents distributed with the agenda prior to the meeting:
   2. ORS update and CORS financial report.

NOTE: The Research and Statistics Assembly (RASA) meets immediately following the CORS Steering Committee meeting, 4:00- 5:30 pm in the same room, Convention Center Room 101-B.