Current Bylaws Changes Under Consideration

During the 2001 Midwinter Meeting (Washington, DC) GODORT Steering approved the following proposed changes to the GODORT Bylaws. They were presented to Membership, and approved, via ballot in the Spring of 2001.

Article IV. Officers.

Section 6. c. GODORT Website Administrator.

The GODORT Website Administrator is responsible for developing and maintaining the GODORT website, and is the editor of the Policy and Procedures Manual under the direction of the GODORT Publications Committee and the GODORT Steering Committee. The Website Administrator is a member of the Publications Committee [and the Schedule Committee]. Add the words in brackets to conform to other changes in the Bylaws.

Article VII. Steering Committee.

Section I. Remove word in brackets
a. Approve subject of the program(s) for the [next] annual conference.

Rationale: The GODORT Steering Committee approves annual conference programs two years in advance.

Article X. Standing Committees.

Section 3.

Add:

m. Schedule Committee. This committee is composed of three members. The GODORT Past Chair shall serve as the committee Chair, but will have only one vote on the Steering Committee. The other two members are the GODORT Website Administrator and the GODORT Assistant Chair/Chair-Elect. The Schedule Committee shall communicate with the committee chairs and task force coordinators and coordinate meeting plans with GODORT ALA staff liaison and with ALA Conference Services.

Rationale: The GODORT Past Chair is responsible for scheduling midwinter and annual conference meetings with ALA Conference Services. ALA Conference Services only sends scheduling information and forms to Committee chairs. The GODORT Past Chair is not considered to be a Committee chair. Therefore, it is difficult for that individual to obtain the forms/information that are necessary to consult with GODORT committee chairs and task force
coordinates and to schedule meetings with ALA. This amendment will enable the GODORT Past Chair (as a Committee Chair) to receive on a timely basis the necessary forms/information. All work of this committee, except in unusual circumstances, will be completed virtually.

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