Proposed Revisions to the GODORT Bylaws

During the 2004 Annual Conference GODORT Steering approved the following proposed changes to the GODORT Bylaws. The changes were approved during the Second Steering Committee Meeting at the 2005 Midwinter Meeting in Boston.

Article IV Officers
Section 6.

The following special officers shall serve the Chair and the Steering Committee.
c. GODORT Website Administrator. The GODORT Website Administrator is responsible for developing and maintaining the GODORT web site, 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.

Article X Standing Committees
Section 3.

The Round Table shall have the following standing committees:
b. Bylaws and Organization Committee.
This committee is composed of four members elected to staggered two-year terms. Two members will be elected each year. The Chair shall be appointed from among the committee members by the GODORT Chair, with the approval of the Steering Committee. The Committee chair shall appoint ad hoc members (non-voting) with the approval of the Steering Committee, as needed to complete the committee task the work of the committee. The committee functions shall include structural and organizational concerns of GODORT. The Committee shall be concerned with the structure and organization of GODORT.

(1)The Committee will revise these Bylaws as necessary or upon the request from of the membership. Such revisions shall be submitted to the membership according to procedures outlined in these Bylaws, Article XV.
(2) The committee will compile and update the Policy and Procedures Manual (PPM) and review the manual for editorial consistency.
(3) The Committee will conduct a periodic organizational review of GODORT and its units.

This committee is composed of nine members, including a Chair, a Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect elected annually, the GODORT Treasurer, the Editor of Documents to the People (DttP) (non-voting), the GODORT Website Administrator, who also serves as the editor of the GODORT Policies and Procedures Manual (non voting), the chair of the Notable Documents Panel, and one representative from each of the Task Forces appointed to staggered two-year terms. The Publications Committee shall have the responsibility of:
(1) Coordinating and disseminating Coordinating the dissemination of information by issuing DttP, by updating the GODORT Policies and Procedures Manual and/or other GODORT
publications, or through correspondence to member affiliates;
(2) Approving any publications produced under the auspices of ALA/GODORT;

(3) Compiling information with the assistance of the Editorial Review Board on publication options and procedures, reviewing all publications projects and making recommendations on publishing to the GODORT Steering Committee;

(4) Maintaining a Notable Documents Panel responsible for the compilation and publication of an annual list of significant government documents;

(5) Directing the maintenance of the GODORT Policies and Procedures Manual and the GODORT Web site; recommending and submitting for endorsement to the GODORT Steering Committee the GODORT Web Administrator;

(6) Functioning as publisher of DttP, recommending and submitting for endorsement to the GODORT Steering Committee the DttP editor, and endorses endorsing the members of the DttP Editorial Board upon recommendation of the DttP editor.

XII Policies and Procedures

Operating policies and procedures of GODORT and its subunits are contained in the GODORT Policies and Procedures Manual (PPM) which is compiled by the Bylaws and Organization Committee and updated by the Publications Committee. The PPM will be maintained by the Bylaws and Organization Committee in consultation with other GODORT units, and is published on the GODORT web site.

Bylaws and Organization Committee

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