

**YALSA Board of Directors Meeting  
ALA Midwinter Meeting, Seattle  
January 19-24, 2007**

**Topic:** Approval of the Minutes from the 2006 Annual meeting

**Background:** Minutes are the official record of the Board. It is important that they be as accurate as possible. Any oversights or errors should be identified and corrected for the permanent record.

**Action Required:** Consent

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Board I Saturday, June 24, 2:30-5:30 PM – Morial Convention Center – Room 350

Board II Tuesday, June 27, 1:30-3:30 PM – Morial Convention Center – Room 350

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**Call to Order**

**Information Forum** – 10 minutes allotted at the beginning of each session

Allen discussed IF hopes to put together a program. No space left in 2007. Pam suggested participation by tweens, possibly at the AASL National Conference in Reno.

As Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee, Audra Caplan presented a report to the Board from her committee and mentioned the importance of trying to get a YALSA member on the ALA Research Committee.

She also spoke of Leslie Burger’s Emerging Leaders initiative and told the Board that the intent of the program was good, but felt the process was not. To participate in this initiative, each division is being asked to pay \$1,000 per candidate, up to two candidates. She suggested it come out of Friends Of YALSA (FOY) funds. Each division must decide whether to participate by September 1, and potential candidate names must be submitted by November 1. Audra indicated she would be willing to donate \$500 to FOY for this purpose.

MOVED by Judy Nelson, seconded by Christine Allen, and voted to support sending up to two members to the ALA Emerging Leaders initiative, dependent upon YALSA candidates being accepted and funding being available.

Various Board members questioned the need for a marketing plan since they felt the Communications Plan covered much of the same areas. Caplan pointed out that discussion about creating a marketing plan had been going on for some time; she felt that Board should finally make a decision. Yoke said she would investigate other divisions and whether or not they had both communications and marketing plans.

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Terri Kirk appeared before the Board to discuss 2010 initiatives. She mentioned that the funds targeted for these initiatives are not meant to be spent on ongoing programs. She also mentioned that the School Libraries Task Force report, which had been requested by ALA Executive Committee, would be presented by Barbara Stripling Monday to Council. Kirk expects that the ALA Executive Board will earmark some funds for any recommendations that come out of the report.

Kirk also discussed the Emerging Leaders initiative developed by Leslie Burger. As the initiative stands now, candidates are to be under age of 35. An application will be available after Annual and should be filled out shortly by interested candidates.

The website conversion plan schedule presented to ALA management indicated that actual implementation would be done unit by unit and finished by October. Kirk also suggested that Board members fill out a survey about the Annual Conference meeting planner web tool, as she felt there were many problems in using it.

Kirk also asked for input for the campaign for America’s Libraries and provided a form.

Mowery reported on his participation in the clean-up project at the New Orleans Public Library’s main branch. He stated that the program was incredibly organized. The New Orleans Public Library System is still suffering from the aftermath of Katrina, and cited as an example the fact that staff in the particular library where he was working had been cut from 200 to 35 since Katrina. Hours of operation are also limited. Book donations have been coming in but they are behind in processing them due to lack of staff. Many branches are still closed. On a positive note, 500 local librarians were able to attend Annual for free.

Leslie Burger’s plan to attract students to ALA will be assigned to an ad hoc committee. The Board expressed hope to have a YALSA member on this committee.

**Approval of the Agenda**

**Action Items**

Item #1. Board of Directors’ 2006 Midwinter Minutes ..... 5/30/06

Minutes stand approved as corrected – “she” in Amelia Warden Award becomes Beth Yoke. On page eight David Mowery is actually liaison to the Professional Development Committee, not Audra Caplan, as the minutes had stated.

Item #2. Establishing Award Juries..... 5/30/06

Board liaisons reported that some of the affected committees objected to their losing the responsibility of choosing award members. A few Board members pointed out that removing this responsibility from committees would give them more time for other tasks they were being asked to complete in relation to the strategic plan. Holley pointed out that during the transition period, committee members would be encouraged to serve on the juries. She also called to attention the fact that with a growing membership, establishing juries would allow for more members to participate in the association. The Board agreed that each jury should consist of 3 or 5 persons and could be

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virtual. Erin Downey Howerton asked if the jury would also promote the award, but the Board President indicated that this responsibility would go to staff. O&B will need to update the charges of the affected committees, and Board liaisons will contact these committees and let them know of the change. Nelson will appoint the 5 new juries.

MOVED by Judy Nelson, seconded by David Mowery and voted that the Board change the charges for Division and Membership Promotion, Publishers’ Liaison, Outreach to Young Adults with Special Needs, and Research committees to remove the awards and grants responsibilities given to them, and establish five juries (including one to choose the Great Book Giveaway winner, formerly the responsibility of the Executive Committee), with either three or five members each, whose sole purpose is to select the award winners, one for each award/grant. Jury members will serve a one-year appointment.

Item #3. Proposal to Add Secretary to Board..... 5/30/06

The question was raised by Caplan as to the reason for needing a secretary. One response was that it was a common practice in many professional and volunteer associations to place a member leader in charge of record keeping, and also that expertise was needed to keep and disseminate accurate records of the association. Another possible reason for adding a secretary to the Board was that creating another spot on the Board would allow for broader representation on the governing body, since the membership has grown significantly. Buron questioned whether a person who was concentrating on taking notes could be able to fully participate in discussion, which led to debate about whether the position should be a voting one or ex-officio. There was also debate about whether a secretary might serve on the Board or both the Board and the Executive Committee. Some brief discussion also took place about the possible need for a parliamentarian and whether or not that responsibility might also be given to a secretary. Caplan pointed out that if a secretary was added to the Executive Committee, then this has financial implications for YALSA, as funds would be needed to cover the cost of sending this person to the Fall Executive Committee Meeting each year. Another idea was to install an intern in a secretarial position, but the latter idea was questioned, as an intern may not have a history to keep accurate records. Francisca Goldsmith stated that she felt that the increased membership made adding an additional at-large position to the Board was more of a priority than adding a secretary position. Holley suggested that the minutes be presented to Board for perusal shortly after the meetings while memories were still fresh.

MOVED by Maria Gentle, seconded by Sarah Flowers to appoint a Board sub-committee to investigate the pros and cons of (1) adding an intern to the Board; (2) adding an at-large Board member; (3) adding a secretary to the Board, and that this sub-committee should report to the full Board at Midwinter with their findings.

Item #4. Proposed Conflict of Interest Policy..... 5/30/06

A member asked if the language could be made consistent in part I, and the Board agreed that this should be done by O&B. The Board also agreed to add language to Part I Section E, which states that this rule doesn’t supersede existing selection committee policies.

MOVED by Jessica Mize, seconded by Sarah Cornish and voted that the Board accept the conflict of interest policy (Board Document #4) as amended.

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Item #5. Quick Picks Proposed Changes..... 5/30/06

MOVED by Jamie Watson, representing the chair of the Quick Picks Committee, and voted that Board Document #5 be approved.

This motion would change the number of votes necessary for a title to be included on the official Quick Picks list from 6 to 7. This change would be in effect as of Midwinter 2007.

There was further discussion about appointing a task force to examine QP procedures, but no motion was presented. As part of her presidential initiative, Nelson will appoint a taskforce to evaluate all of YALSA’s selected lists and literary awards and will pass along the other concern mentioned, but not acted on, in Board Document #5 to this new taskforce.

Item #6. Professional Development Committee & E-Learning ..... 6/13/06

MOVED by David C. Mowery, seconded by Judy Nelson, and voted that the Professional Development Committee be charged with providing oversight and direction to YALSA’s e-learning program as detailed in Board Document #6.

This committee’s charge will be updated by the Organization and Bylaws committee. Gentle will inform the committee chair of this change to their charge, and will send them Board Document #6 as background information.

Item #7. Youth Participation Coordinator Guidelines & Policies..... 5/30/06

Nelson stated that teen opinion is weighed more heavily for the Quick Picks (QP) list than the BBYA list, and that YALSA should encourage local teen participation at the QP sessions. It was mentioned that originally only local teens were heard at BBYA meetings and the point was that, as the committee traveled to different places, they would be able to get input from a diverse group of teens. Nelson pointed out that teens in different regions of the country have different reading preferences, so getting diverse input is important. Caplan stated that she agreed with Silverman and Rutan’s concerns and cautioned the Board to weigh the issue carefully before taking action. It was pointed out that BBYA committee members get input from their own teens throughout the year and that having them speak at BBYA sessions means that other teens who have not been heard from don’t get the chance to participate or share their opinions with the committee. Yoke pointed out that the proposed guidelines did not completely exclude committee members’ teens from participating in the face-to-face sessions. A few Board members stated that they felt the BBYA sessions were out of control because there were too many teens, which limited their time to speak so considerably that they couldn’t offer much insight. Holley stated that a Teen Summit (see Board Document #26) could be a new place for teen involvement. Yoke suggested that the guidelines be approved with the caveat of evaluating them in one year and making any changes or adjustments that may be necessary.

MOVED by Nick Buron and seconded by Amy Alessio that the guidelines for the position of Youth Participation Coordinator be approved as written in Board Document #7 and that these guidelines will be reevaluated at Annual 2007.

Item #8. Financial Advancement Taskforce..... 5/30/06

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MOVED by Sarah Flowers, seconded by Maria E. Gentle, and voted that the Financial Advancement Task Force be changed to a standing committee of five members, with the Fiscal Officer serving as a consultant. A virtual member would be permitted.

Item #9. Petition for Anime Discussion Group..... 5/30/06

Dora Ho presented a petition to establish an Anime Discussion Group. Pam asked if the group would rather be an Interest Group. Yoke recommended that they begin as a Discussion Group, and based on the experiences of that group, decide at a later date whether or not they might be better served as an Interest Group.

MOVED by Francisca Goldsmith, seconded by Jessica Mize and voted that the Board accept the proposal from membership to form an Anime Discussion Group to begin at the end of Annual 2006.

Item #10. Fiscal Officer Report ..... 5/30/06

Greg Calloway asked that YALSA extend its long-range financial plan to 2010 in order give ALA a more clear picture on how YALSA will have the means to financially support the addition of a full-time staff member. The Board decided that the section, which states a marketing plan will be inserted, be eliminated for now, and a section on Friends of YALSA be added. Yoke will send out this updated plan (with Alessio’s personal comments removed) to committee chairs.

MOVED BY Amy Alessio, seconded by Christine M. Allen, and voted to adopt the proposed Business Plan with the removal of the reference to the marketing plan and the addition of the section on the Friends of YALSA.

Item #11. Adoption of FY 2007 Budget ..... 5/30/06

Audra Caplan, member of BARC, informed the Board that three new ALA staff positions (including the YALSA position) would not be approved until the Fall Meeting, if then, as per a Greg Calloway’s recommendation. Yoke was asked to create a more detailed job description for the proposed Communications Specialist position.

MOVED by David C. Mowery, seconded by Judy Nelson, and voted that the Board adopt the FY07 budget as written in Board Document 11.

Item #12. Council Report (Tues.)..... 5/30/06

Allen stated that the Senate Commerce Committee was reconsidering the e-rate, which would be detrimental to school and public libraries. Council is asking librarians and library workers to contact the offices of their representatives in Congress and let them know that the e-rate is vital to the millions of library users nationwide and that it should be fully funded. Individuals can contact Congress by clicking on the “Take Action Now” button from the ALA homepage at [www.ala.org](http://www.ala.org).

Council also passed a resolution urging ALA and its units as well as individual librarians to strive to provide information to the public about Darfur and the genocide taking place there.

As of Tuesday, no progress apparently had been made regarding the proposed DOPA legislation.

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Buron felt that Council would oppose DOPA. Holley directed the Division Councilor to support any Council resolution that opposed DOPA. The Board concurred with Holley’s direction.

A graduated dues proposal was not ready for a Council vote, as the ALA Membership and BARC Committees were still discussing details.

Resolutions from ALA/APA concerning support for Freedom to Form Unions for Library Employees and support for overtime pay protections were put up for a vote, and only one passed.

Item #13. Program Clearinghouse Committee Report (Tues.)..... 5/30/06

As Chair of the Program Clearinghouse Committee, Erin Downey Howerton informed the Board that the Advocacy Task Force had cancelled their program. It was recommended that Graphic Novels and Alex programs would switch times so that the YALSA Graphic Novels program would not conflict with the PLA one. Nelson will find out more information about the PLA program. Only a few Form Bs are missing, and Howerton will work to see that they get turned in. The Board was asked to consider the addition of a gaming program as proposed by Erin Helmrich, whose Form A was not submitted to the Board at Midwinter ’06 due to technical difficulties. Consensus was that this program be included, but that Howerton collaborate with the Gaming Interest Group in the planning and implementation of the program. Howerton suggested that the Gaming program could fit into the Advocacy time slot, but that was only 1-1/2 hours, and Erin Helmrich asked for at least 2 hours for the Gaming Program. The YALSA office will work with the Program Clearinghouse Committee to rework the time slots to try to accommodate everyone’s wishes.

Erin Downey Howerton, as Chair of Program Clearinghouse Committee, moved and the Board voted to accept the current slate of YALSA programs in concept as presented for Annual 2007, including the “Video Games as a Service” proposal.

Item #14. Resolutions..... 5/30/06

The Board passed the following resolutions for departing Board members:

**Resolution for Francisca Goldsmith**

Whereas Francisca Goldsmith has served for three years as a member of the Board of Directors of YALSA with style, grace, humor, and incisive wit; and

Whereas Francisca Goldsmith constantly has to explain to people (even fellow Board members) that her name is Francisca, not Francesca, but manages to do so without losing her temper; and

Whereas Francisca Goldsmith has ably and skillfully balanced a demanding career at the ever-controversial Berkeley Public Library with YALSA activities, serving as an SUS and InfoPeople trainer, and writing the book *Graphic Novels Now*; and

Whereas Francisca Goldsmith can always be relied upon to come to conference with an interesting story, such as a cross-country train trip; and

Whereas Francisca Goldsmith has an eye for the jewelry potential of the ribbons attached to her conference badge; and

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Whereas Francisca Goldsmith has generously educated her fellow Board members on various subjects, including the value of single malt Scotch (preferably from Islay, medium peat, never on ice); and

Whereas Francisca Goldsmith can be relied upon to provide the Board with information on past decisions by pulling out one of the teeny notebooks from the Francisca archive and finding the pertinent quotation; and

Whereas Francisca Goldsmith has ably served as liaison for various YALSA committees, including Audiobook Selection, Graphic Novels, YA Galley, Research, Printz, and the Morris Task Force; and

Whereas during her term of office on the YALSA Board, Francisca Goldsmith was also the chair of the 2006 Pre-conference “Reading with Your Ears”;

Whereas Francisca served with two other Mothers of One Son on the Outstanding Achievement Award Board subcommittee;

Therefore be it resolved that the YALSA Board of Directors express its gratitude and appreciation for her dedication during her term of office, and wish her well in her future endeavors.

**Resolution for David Mowery**

Whereas after many years on the Alex Award Committee, David was elected to the Board of Directors, and quickly became President of YALSA coincidentally at the same time that YALSA’s Deputy Director returned to school to work on her doctorate; YALSA’s increased membership forced the decision to give up ALA’s small division stipend and earn its own way; and ALA decided that a full-time Executive Director was needed, David had to quickly help interview candidates for this new slot and then “break in” Beth Yoke to the YALSA way of doing things, and

Whereas David handled all these transitional matters with great aplomb and tremendous patience, accompanied by lots of Acid-Ease medications and stiff martinis; while always dressed in a style worthy of GQ’s cover, as evidenced by his tasseled loafers and other noteworthy shoes from his extensive collection; and

Whereas David ably served YALSA as President-Elect, President and Past President, in those same tasseled loafers, bringing honor to the Brooklyn Public Library, bestowing Brooklyn Public Library mementoes on all the Board members and earning the disdain of his cat for his continual absences from home; and

Whereas during his presidential term David not only oversaw the launch of the new strategic plan and the increase of YALS from two to four issues, but also, and most importantly, helped triple the cash donations for TRW 2005 thanks to his well-placed, and well-heeled, contacts; and

Whereas his presidential term also saw the fourth SUS training with the awarding of three scholarships from Highsmith; 125 attendees at the Best of the Best preconference, with publication of the newest Best of the Best pamphlet; the launching of YALSA’s mentoring program; the establishment of the Great Graphic Novels for Teens and the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Printz Award; and

Whereas David kept the most meticulous meeting notes of any YALSA President, resulting in no Board member ever being able to weasel out of a task; wielded the gavel with the deftness of an executioner; and tried to include all Board members in discussions; and

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Whereas David continued to serve YALSA even during his immediate past-Presidential term when he hosted the first National TRW Kick-Off event with Q’orianka Kilcher and Jacqueline Woodson at Brooklyn Public Library; and

Whereas David’s sense of humor and fair-play has earned him respect and friendship from all YALSA members;

Therefore be it resolved that the YALSA Board of Directors thank him for the service he gave to the Association and wish him well in all future endeavors.

**Resolution for Jessica Mize**

Whereas Jessica Mize has served for three years as a member of the Board of Directors of YALSA with humor, enthusiasm, diligence and patience; and

Whereas Jessica Mize has served well on the Morris, Library School Database, and other Board subcommittees, including Chairing the Outstanding Achievement Award Group with other Mothers of one Son; and

Whereas Jessica Mize has successfully balanced her Board duties, her 2007 Printz Committee duties, her Serving the Underserved Trainers duties, her state association duties and her new job duties; and

Whereas Jessica Mize’s young son has supported her three years of travel for the YALSA Board; and

Whereas Jessica Mize has been a supportive liaison for multiple YALSA committees and even agreeable about adding new ones all the time; and

Whereas Jessica Mize has been a mentor for new YALSA members from her area especially; and

Whereas Jessica Mize’s attitude knits together her love of young adults, their literature, and their librarians;

Therefore be it resolved that the YALSA Board of Directors express their gratitude and appreciation for her dedication during her term of office, and wish her well in her future endeavors.

**Discussion Items**

Item #15. Research Award Proposal..... 5/30/06

Per Amy Alessio, Research felt that there would be as few applicants as Henne. Buron raised the question as to whether a jury would handle this. Flowers asked why an award, why not just solicit papers from students. Yoke stated that this would encourage research, an important part of YALSA’s Strategic Plan. Nelson questioned whether a new award was needed, and suggested that a task force look at all the awards and processes, including this one. Cornish suggested just targeting student members to help them publish, and perhaps reimbursement to attend conference, rather than a formal award. Yoke suggested that perhaps what the Board was struggling with was the term “award” and that this proposal be thought of in broader terms as a type of formal recognition instead of an “award.” It was suggested that the Editorial Advisory Board target the students for manuscripts, with a possible stipend attached for the winning authors. The Board directed the

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Publications Committee Board Liaison (Alessio) work with the committee to refine their idea and to re-submit a proposal at Midwinter 2007.

Item #16. Proposed Communications Plan..... 5/30/06

Caplan praised the quality and thoroughness of the task force’s report. Yoke will edit the report for accuracy and consistency of language. Holley and others felt it was important to thank this group for their work.

MOVED by Amy Alessio, seconded by Judy Nelson to accept the Communications Plan in concept and thank the Communications Task Force for their hard work.

Item #17. Great Graphic Novels Committee Guidelines..... 5/30/06

Holley pointed out that the guidelines were not consistent with the ones that the taskforce had developed and that were approved by the Board. The Board felt that the committee must adhere to what was approved and revisit their procedures removing any changes to approved guidelines the taskforce had developed. Key issues that need to be addressed are: voting procedures, selection criteria and size of the list. Holley volunteered to work with this committee and help them revise the guidelines and resubmit them for Board approval.

MOVED BY Francisca Goldsmith, seconded by David Mowery and voted to return the proposed procedures to the Great Graphic Novel Committee with the instruction that the procedures be reconciled with the approved task force guidelines, and that they work with Pam Spencer Holley and Nick Buron and return amended procedures to the Executive Committee by September 30.

Item #18. Planning Teen Tech Week ..... 6/13/06

Alessio recommended that ALA Graphics be given a deadline of July 31<sup>st</sup> for submitting a proposed royalty structure for TTW products. Sarah Flowers will work with the TTW Taskforce to: 1) select a theme 2) choose a winning logo and 3) plan an event to launch the initiative at Midwinter 2007. The winter issue of *YALS* will have a tech theme. Beth will work with Mary Ghikas to move forward the consulting work with LitLamp. As per ALA policy, Mary has to be the one to sign the contract.

Item #19. 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Taskforce Update..... 5/30/06

Nelson presented an overview of the task force’s plans and felt that the taskforce was on track and working hard to ensure a celebration that would be sustained throughout the year. The goal of the taskforce is to ensure that at least one event or PR activity take place each month during 2007.

Item #20. YA Literature Symposium Taskforce Update..... 5/30/06

The chair of the taskforce was asked to focus on content, as logistics would be handled by YALSA staff. The Symposium is tentatively planned for 2008 in New York.

Item #21. Proposed Support Young Adult Literature Day..... 5/30/06

The Board supported the idea of a day to promote YA Lit. O&B will update the charge of the

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Publishers' Liaison Committee. Cornish will share Board Document #21 with the committee chair and let them know of the change to their charge.

MOVED by Judy Nelson, seconded by David C. Mowery and voted to direct the Publishers' Liaison Committee to work on the Support YA Lit Day Initiative with the YALSA office, beginning immediately, with results to be reviewed at Annual 2007.

Item #22.      White Papers for YALSA..... 5/30/06

Committees will be encouraged to develop white papers, and the Executive Committee will develop and disseminate guidelines for writing white papers and share them with chairs. The Board encourages white papers to be written on fundamental topics that are key to the profession, such as the need for libraries to hire professionally trained Teen/YA Librarians, the need for public libraries to create dedicated physical spaces in their libraries for teens, the legitimacy of YA literature as a genre, etc.

MOVED by David C. Mowery, seconded by Judy Nelson to adjourn the Saturday meeting.

Item #23.      Adding International Representation to RAB..... 5/30/06

The Board concurred that this proposal should be implemented. Yoke will work with Nelson to identify a possible representative.

MOVED by Francisca Goldsmith, seconded by Amy Alessio and voted to add an international representative to the Virtual Regional Advisory Board.

Item #24.      Creating a YALSA Wiki..... 5/30/06

Mowery raised the question of the impact a YALSA wiki might have on YALSA publications for sale, and the question was raised as to how Online Communities compared to a wiki. It was mentioned that an Online Communities demo to committee chairs would be helpful. Alessio was very supportive of the concept of a YALSA wiki and did not want it limited to members only. Holley asked other Board members how they felt about the issue of providing a wiki to just members via the For Members Only portion of the YALSA web site, versus making this resource available to anyone on the World Wide Web. Buron raised the question of cost, but was informed that wikis are not expensive to maintain. Buron felt that if the cost were only a few hundred dollars, it should be open to members and nonmembers, as did Gentle, Goldsmith and others. Buron also raised the question of content control. Yoke pointed out that if this resource were open to anyone, then individuals could post YALSA's annotated lists there, which we currently rely on for revenue via publications. Cornish felt a wiki could be used as a marketing tool to entice browsers to join YALSA. Yoke stated that ALA was not yet ready to implement wikis through in-house hardware or software, but that it was ok to create one on our own. Advertising on the wiki could also be possible, and Yoke suggested that ads also appear on the blog. Flowers will speak with Linda Braun about this and Yoke will share Board notes with Braun.

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MOVED by Judy Nelson, seconded by Francisca Goldsmith and voted to direct the Website Advisory Committee to establish guidelines for creating and maintaining a wiki, and to submit a report to the Executive Committee by October 1 which would include the pros and cons of open vs. member only access and the possible need for a content moderator.

Item #25. Teen Award Proposal..... 5/30/06

Kim Patton will talk to the Youth Participation Committee and direct them to explore this further.  
No motion.

Item #26. Teen Summit..... 5/30/06

Nelson had experience with such events and found that YAs were not very willing to participate. Caplan agreed and said that if it's not a BBYA session, then teens don't want to participate. Helmrich and Brehm-Heeger felt that as long as the activities planned for the teens allowed them to be actively engaged, that they would be interested. Yoke pointed out that this could be a good alternative for teens who aren't able to participate in the BBYA sessions, but still want to come to conference. Alessio did not want it to conflict with a ticketed event, such as a preconference. Stacy Creel-Chavez suggested mock Printz and similar programs with teens on the panels. Helmrich suggested the Search Institute as a model. Cornish wondered if it would be a full day event, and if so, where it would fit in the schedule. Creel-Chavez felt that Midwinter might be best because there are no programs that would conflict with it. Goldsmith pointed out that due to funds, only certain teens will be able to attend such an event, so it should not be promoted by YALSA as a body that is representative of the entire teen population. Yoke suggested that the event could focus on providing training for YA librarians and their TAGs. Caplan suggested charging the Youth Participation Committee with implementing a survey to solicit information from members and publishers about their interest in creating, supporting, and participating in, a teen summit, with survey results due by October 1.

MOVED by Audra Caplan, seconded by Sarah Cornish, and voted that the Board charge the Youth Participation Committee with developing a survey to solicit information from members and publishers about their (and their teens') interest in participating in a teen summit, and report to the YALSA Executive Committee by October 1.

Item #27. ALA Graphics Update 5/30/06

Don Chatham thanked the Board for allowing ALA Graphics to continue producing TRW products. He showed a stand-alone TRW order booklet, and also talked about a digital resource guide that would help a librarian plan a complete TRW program. He stated that Graphics is enthused about working with YALSA on Teen Tech Week. Buron pointed out that two YALSA members are members of the ALA Graphics Committee, one of whom is Lorraine Squires. Holley thanked them for their marketing of TRW products.

Item #28. Pre-Conference Reports..... 5/30/06

Incoming Board asked to review all the Preconference reports and report concerns on the yalsa-bd discussion list. Reports are due by July 15.

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**Informational Items**

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**Installation of New Members & Adjournment**

**Petition for Student Interest Group:**

Jami Schwarzwaldner submitted a petition for YALSA to establish a Student Interest Group. A list of names of the signators was provided to the Board. She suggested that the group could create podcasts concerning YALSA activities, and possibly offer scholarships supported by the sale of “Support the Future” t-shirts.

MOVED by Judy Nelson, seconded by David Mowery and voted that the Board create a Student Interest Group of YALSA, pending determination that at least 15 of the signators be YALSA members.

**Update from the Selected DVDs Evaluation Taskforce:**

The Selected DVD Evaluation Task Force presented a report and requested a six-month extension for further work. Paula Brehm-Heeger, liaison, was directed to bring the up-to-date guidelines to the attention of the current chair Carly Wiggins.

MOVED by Judy Nelson, seconded by David Mowery, to extend the Board Meeting until 3:45 pm.

The Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood is against paid-for product placement in books, especially ones directed at children and teens, and has asked YALSA to support their position. Holley pointed out the product placement dated a book very quickly. Yoke stated that YALSA could encourage librarians, parents and concerned adults to provide teens with the necessary critical evaluation skills so that they can be media savvy and recognize when something is an ad. The Board

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will not issue a formal statement against product placement; Yoke and Nelson agreed to write a response letter.

MOVED by Kimberly Patton, seconded by Erin Helmrich, and voted to adjourn the meeting.