

**YALSA Board of Directors Meeting  
ALA Midwinter Meeting, Boston  
January 8 – 12, 2016**

**Topic:** 2017 Nominating Committee Rosters

**Background:** According to the YALSA Bylaws, the rosters must be submitted to the Board at Midwinter. Also according to the bylaws, one person serving on the Governance Nominating Committee must have served in the prior year and one must be the Immediate Past President. Be sure to let these individuals know if you are interested in running for office or if you want to recommend someone for them to consider for a particular office. Their job is to develop a slate for the 2017 election. In 2017 YALSA will be electing a President Elect, three Board Members at Large, one Fiscal Officer, four 2019 Printz Committee Members, four 2019 Nonfiction Award Committee Members and three 2019 Edwards Committee Members. As of 12/18/16, Sarah Hill, YALSA President-Elect, has appointed the individuals listed below to serve on the committees.

**Action Required:** Information

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**2017 Governance Nominating Committee Function Statement:**

To recruit, vet and select candidates for the YALSA Board of Directors for the YALSA slate for the 2016 election. When building the slate, seek out the most qualified individuals as well as provide for broad representation, including but not limited to representation of the membership by: diverse background, type of library, special interest, and geographic location. To communicate regularly with the Award Nominating Committee and share information about potential candidates to ensure there is no overlap. To assist candidates in preparing for the election, including but not limited to planning and implementing a Candidates' Forum at the 2016 Midwinter Meeting in Boston and candidate interviews for posting on the YALSAblog. Committee size: 5 virtual members. Term: 17 months, commencing January 1, 2016 and ending May 31, 2017.

**2017 Awards Nominating Committee Function Statement:**

To recruit, vet and select candidates for the slate for the 2016 election of YALSA Edwards, Nonfiction and Printz Award Committee Members. When building the slate, seek out the most qualified individuals as well as provide for broad representation, including but not limited to representation of the membership by: diverse background, type of library, special interest, and geographic location. To assist candidates in preparing for the election, including but not limited to working with the YALSAblog Member Manager to interview candidates. Committee size: 5 virtual members, including one member from a preceding term. Term: 17 months, commencing January 1, 2016 and ending after election results are announced in May of 2017

**Governance Nominating Committee:**

Paula Brehm-Heeger, Chair  
Public Library of Cincinnati &  
Hamilton County, OH

Abigail Phillips  
Student, FL

Shannon Peterson  
Kitsap Regional Library, WA

Christopher Shoemaker  
Rye Free Reading Room, NY

Sarah Sogigian  
Massachusetts Library System, MA  
(invited but not yet accepted as of 12/21/15)

**Awards Nominating Committee:**

Franklin Escobedo, Chair  
Coronado Public Library, CA

Amber Creger  
Schaumburg Township District Library, IL

Valerie Davis  
Campbell County Public Library, KY

Barbara Moon  
Youth Services Librarian, CA

Elizabeth Schneider  
Retired Member, TX

**Additional Resources**

- Get Involved in YALSA Governance,  
[www.ala.org/yalsa/workingwithyalsa/governance#get](http://www.ala.org/yalsa/workingwithyalsa/governance#get)
- ALA Election information, [www.ala.org/aboutala/governance/alaelection](http://www.ala.org/aboutala/governance/alaelection)
- YALSA Nominating Committee information,  
[www.ala.org/yalsa/workingwithyalsa/committees/nominatingcommittee](http://www.ala.org/yalsa/workingwithyalsa/committees/nominatingcommittee)