

**YALSA Board of Directors Meeting  
ALA Midwinter Meeting, San Antonio  
January 20-25, 2006**

**Topic:** Feasibility of a Joint Institute

**Background:** The idea of hosting a joint national or regional institute, possibly with ALSC, has been suggested.

**Action Required:** Exploration

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Additional information:

- ALSC hosts a national institute every other year. The most recent one is scheduled for Sept. 14-16, 2006 in Pittsburgh
  - Usually get around 300 attendees
  - No exhibit hall
  - Normally lasts 3 days
  - Early bird rate for '06 conference is \$310 for ALSC members
  - According to Malore, this venture is not a big revenue generator for ALSC
  
- Other divisions holding institutes on a regular basis:
  - LITA: annual national forum
  - PLA: national conference every other year & spring symposium during non-conference years
  - AASL: national conference every other year
  - ACRL: national conference every other year