Recent work by the Resolutions Committee

Since the conclusion of the January 2021 ALA Midwinter virtual meetings, The ALA Resolutions Committee engaged in robust internal communications via email, the ALA Connect platform, and Zoom. In addition, the RC served in its advisory capacity responding to formatting and content queries, draft and final resolution submissions from ALA members, Councilors, and the Forward Together Resolutions Working Group and its committees. Discussion highlights and subsequent actions included:

- Meeting with FTRWG chairs and FTRWG members on April 21, 2021
- Ongoing review of and feedback for FTRWG committee draft resolutions via email and Google Drive
- Discussion of the future of the ALA resolutions process in the event Council and its current committee structure is disbanded and/or redirected as envisioned by the Forward Together paradigm
- As a result of the recently created year-round acceptance rule: Review of resolutions submitted in between semi-annual governance meetings and posting final versions to a Pending folder in anticipation of the June 2021 Annual Membership/Council meetings
- Review of efficacy and utility of recently established 24/48 hour rule for submitting resolutions during the 2021 Midwinter governance meetings
- Review of proposed Resolutions Committee web page content for 2021 Annual Meetings (virtual and in-person components and rules)
- Review and suggested edits for Virtual ALA Meeting Rules (Council Document 5), including addition of procedure for including References in a resolution
- Planning for RC presence at Virtual Council Forums

The Resolutions committee looks forward to the June 27-29 Virtual Membership and Council Meetings and is available for consultation whenever the need arises for members and Councilors.

We encourage you to visit the following:
Guidelines, sample resolutions, and an online training series for resolution preparation available at:  
http://www.ala.org/aboutala/governance/council/resolution_guidelines

Proposed resolutions can be submitted to the Resolutions Committee at:  
alaresolutions@ala.org

Questions, comments and/or feedback re: the resolution process can be sent to: 
alaresolution-feedback-request@ala.org

For further clarification on the resolutions motion process, please refer to the latest version of Robert’s Rules of Order.

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