ALSC Online Board Meeting – February 4, 2021
FINAL Minutes as of March 3, 2021

Attendees
Board Members: Kirby McCurtis, Amber Creger, April Mazza, Ariana Hussain, Cecilia McGowan, Elisa Gall, Kimberly Patton, Lucia Gonzalez, Maggie Jacobs, Meredith Steiner, Soraya Silverman-Montano, Sujei Lugo
Staff Members: Aimee Strittmatter, Alena Rivers, Angela Hubbard, Anne Michaud, Elizabeth Serrano, Jordan Dubin, Sarah Polen
Guests: Amy Koester, Amy Sears, Julie Dietzel-Glair, Robbin Friedman

Proceedings
• Meeting called to order at 3:00 p.m. by President Kirby McCurtis
• Board agreed to hold the meeting in an informal manner and within the guidelines of the ALSC Community Agreements document
• Agenda approved
• Meeting adjourned at 4:09 p.m.

Discussion
Budget Committee Report
Robbin Friedman was in attendance to discuss Budget Committee’s Midwinter 2021 Report including recommendations. The board was reminded that ALA’s long term budget issues and lack of complete performance data means that the budget for fiscal year 2022 is not complete and will change as more information and data becomes available. This budget reflects ALSC’s intention at this time.

MOTION: move to accept the recommendations as presented by the Budget Committee, motion passed.

ALSC Councilor Report
ALSC Councilor Kim Patton provided updates from ALA Council’s Midwinter meetings including information about changes to Council quorum rules and bylaws, Executive Board elections, the adoption of SCOE’s amended timeline and resolution votes.

Joint REFORMA ALSC YALSA Executive Committee Meeting Update
ALSC Vice President Lucia Gonzalez provided an update from the Joint REFORMA ALSC YALSA executive committee meeting. Updates included information regarding Pura Belpré finances, the 25th Anniversary Planning task force, the Belpré Expansion task force and Día.
**National Institute Reports**
The Board reviewed reports from the ALSC 2020 National Institute task force and staff. Networking events were discussed and how these type of networking opportunities can continue be offered in future events, virtual offerings or at conferences.

**Public Awareness and Advocacy Charge**
The revised Form K from the Public Awareness and Advocacy Committee was discussed. Elisa Gall, the committee’s board liaison, presented the updates to the committee’s request to have their charge changed. The board discussed including the term caregiver in the updated charge and a minor grammatical edit.

**ACTION:** Elisa will inform the committee regarding the approved charge. “To promote awareness of the value of excellent library service for all children and their families and caregivers. To plan, execute, coordinate, and disseminate public awareness campaigns about the importance of library service for all children and their families and caregivers. To provide tools and learning opportunities for library staff and stakeholders. To also support grassroots advocacy efforts and to mobilize membership around advocacy-related actions. To represent the perspective and needs of ALSC and youth librarianship and to serve as a channel of communication on legislative matters between the ALA Committee on Legislation and the Division Leadership.”

**MOTION:** move to approve the revised charge for the Public Awareness and Advocacy committee as edited during this meeting, motion passed.

**MOTION:** move to adjourn, motion passed