

Minutes

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION/SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY ROUND TABLE
ACTION COUNCIL MEETING June 23, 9 a.m. McCornick Center MPE 3

PRESENT: Denise Botto, Elizabeth Morrissett, Joseph Reilly, Nancy Gruber, David Williams, Kristin Lipkowski, Wm. Delzell, Elliott Shore, Jan DeSirey, Gail Warner, Sherry Kelley, Carolynne Myall, Mark Rosenzweig, Sandy Berman, Jackie Eubanks, Daniel Tsang, Cal Gough, John C. sandstrom

Items added to the agenda: COO plan to change task force name to "interest group" or other; Election Committee hearing, request for new Task Force on Migration, refugees and the homeless; South Africa progress, Israeli censorship report; Poor people service resolution; Columbus 500 year celebration resolution.

Denise requested that someone volunteer for secretary: requires presence at ALA meetings, minutes, arranging rooms for meetings of Action Council, supervision of programs to prevent duplication.

A few of the many items on the specially requested agenda and from the regular agenda were selected because of time constraints.

The Poor Peoples' service resolution was passed unanimously. & endorsed
The Columbus 500 year celebration resolution was passed unanimously. and endorsed

A request by the Progressive Librarians Group for affiliation was approved. The constitution to be shortly revised will allow consideration of a place on Action Council for affiliated groups if so decided by the SRRT membership, but at present Action Council is limited to two such members.

It was agreed that a representative on Descriptive and Subject Cataloging Committees is appropriate for SRRT. Sherry Kelly was selected.

A new task force on Migration, refugees and the homeless was approved at the first reading. It will be reviewed again during the conference.

A meeting of the COO organization ALA committee on Sunday afternoon on changing the names of task forces was urged on interested people who do not want to become "interest groups" or some other term.

The Elections Committee has issued a report on reforms for elections of ALA. Two changes which are not in the interest of open association are the identification of petition candidates on the ballot, and the requirement for many more signatures for officer candidates from 25 to 200, which restricts petition opportunities very much

Joseph Reilley reported on new library networking in South Africa and urged recognition and cooperation with this more democratic group. He also had further information to share which will be brought to a subsequent meeting./

David Williams proposed that a second part of a resolution on Israeli censorship be approved/ (the first half was approved at the 1990 midwinter meeting in January) This document was passed. ✓

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Morrissett
Secretary pro tem.
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