SRRT Statement on the BCALA Statement to ALA Council Against Racism

The ALA Social Responsibilities Round Table is in solidarity with the Black Caucus of the American Library Association, strongly endorsing the BCALA Statement to ALA Council Against Racism. We join their call that ALA Council meeting policies, communication norms and rules of conduct be re-examined and re-created with a diversity/equity lens; that ALA Council formally commit to upholding these improved standards; and that ALA mandate continuous diversity training for ALA Council.

Recognizing SRRT’s own responsibility to fight against the historical and continued impact of racism, we commit to examining our own communication norms and rules of conduct with a diversity/equity lens and to implementing continuous diversity training for members of SRRT’s leadership.

Sincerely,

The Action Council and Members of the Social Responsibilities Round Table.

About SRRT

Founded in 1969, the Social Responsibilities Round Table is the American Library Association’s largest round table, over 2,000 ALA members committed to promoting progressive priorities and to helping solve social problems and inequities within the Association, the profession and in the broader community.