Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgendered Round Table of the American Library Association 2008 Midwinter Meeting, Philadelphia, PA Steering Committee I January 2008

Steering Committee I consistently primarily of reports from officers and committee chairs.

- 1. The RT bylaws need to be overhauled. Lewis Day will meet with the rest of the ad hoc bylaws committee to discuss how best to do this. There will be a proposal for the Membership Meeting at Annual.
- 2. The Membership Committee has been very productive. They are forming an advocacy subcommittee by Annual. The Bibliography Subcommittee has burned copies of their bibliographies (Children & Teens, Same-Sex Marriage, LGBT Issues in Religion, LGBT Issues in Race and Diversity, and Transgender and Intersex) onto CD. They are looking for more participants in the GLBTRT mentor program, both on the mentor and mentee sides. GLBTRT has 100 friends on MySpace, and the committee is currently discussing how to most effectively use this information. Matt Ciszek has agreed to serve as Membership Committee chair when Paul Higdon's term ends after Annual.
- 3. We are hoping to create an index of books reviewed in the 2007 GLBTRT newsletters.
- 4. The endowment for the Stonewall Book Award has a goal of \$75,000, and we have currently received \$72,000. We are confident and delighted that this goal will be met by Annual!
- 5. The Nominating Committee is still looking for candidates to run as co-chair (must be female-identified) and secretary (gender is irrelevant for this one). Please contact Anne Moore if you are interested.
- 6. The Rainbow Project is now officially a subcommittee of Membership. There are currently 10 members and gender parity should be reached by 2010. Subcommittee memberships will end by attrition, which is estimated to create 2 to 3 vacancies each year.