

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered Round Table
American Library Association
Annual Meeting, 2009

Steering Committee I Agenda

Palmer House, Room Clark 07
July 11, 2009, 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

1. **Call to Order** David Vess
2. **Introductions** David Vess
3. **Approval of Agenda**
4. **Address from RT Councilor** (20 min.) John Sandstrom
5. **Address from PFLAG** (15 min.) Peter Ji
6. **Approval of Minutes**
 - Steering Committee I, Denver*
 - Steering Committee II, Denver*
7. **Reports of Officers**
 - Co-Chairs David Vess
 - Treasurer Dale McNeill
 - Secretary Tracy Nectoux
8. **Reports from Committee Chairs**
 - Book Award Committee James Simonis
 - Book Awards Celebration Committee John Furlong
 - External Relations Committee Peter Hepburn
 - Fundraising Committee David C. McCormick
 - Membership Committee Matthew Cizek
 - Newsletter John Bradford
 - Nominating Committee Lisa Johnston
 - Program Planning Committee Barbara Pickell
 - Website Committee Kristen Dietiker
9. **Unfinished Business**
10. **New Business**
 - Don Weise, Alyson Books Partnership
 - Amazon Issue and Other Intellectual Freedom Issues
 - Continued use of the Membership survey
 - Absorbing the cost of shipping extra Rainbow Project and BAC books to conferences
 - Reimbursing Matt Cizek and Jules Tate for March ACRL Conference Social Event
 - Committee Volunteer Form (see appendix)
 - Current Bylaws Revisions Document (see [appendix](#))
 - Possible Bylaws Amendments:

Below are a list of possible bylaw amendments that have been discussed by one or more SC

members. During the membership meeting, motions can be made to amend the current bylaws revision document (see [appendix](#)) in two ways. 1. If a motion involves text not already up for an amendment in the bylaws revision document, the vote must be a 3/4 majority. 2. If a motion does involve text already up for amendment in the bylaws revision document, then it only needs a majority vote (as it's an amendment of an amendment). The below are only ideas. A motion can be made on each of them to "refer to committee" (i.e. the bylaws committee) for review and be up for consideration next year.

- Rainbow Project (see [appendix](#) of proposed Rainbow Project bylaws text)
 - All costs to be shared equally by both GLBTRT and SRRT
 - Official Name
 - Method of appointing Committee Chairs
 - Method of appointing Committee Members
 - Celebration schedule not to conflict with Book Awards Brunch/Dinner, SC, Membership Meetings
 - Adoption of final language to take to membership meeting
- Propose a Chair and Chair-Elect model for all committees; term length; gender equity; Immediate Past Chair
- Propose amendment to allow SC to add, combine, dissolve committees with a 2/3 vote of SC
- Propose revised language for membership volunteering/recruitment to mention a web form. (note a [version](#) of this is already for voting.)
 - Waiting lists issue - for procedures manual
- Propose dissolution of Nominating Committee
- Propose amendments to revised bylaws for:
 - Membership/External Relations
 - Membership/Nominating
- Possible New Committees:
 - Bibliographies/Literacy Committee
 - Intellectual Freedom/Political/Legislative Advocacy Committee
- Propose creating Ad Hoc Committees for
 - Procedures Manual
 - tasked to identify procedural items in Bylaws and propose removing them;
 - explicate procedures as needed
 - streamline procedures as needed
 - Should committees reevaluate their procedures and policies and provide them to this committee, or
 - Should this committee do the reevaluation
 - Rainbow Project joint evaluation
 - Tool-kits (part of possible Bibliographies/Literacy Committee)
- Propose amendments about Meetings
 - Membership meeting at Midwinter - yes/no
 - Fixed times for meetings (will require more fixed program times)
- Propose amendments about dues and costs of events
 - Changing dues structure
 - Lower/free for students, unemployed, and limited income retirees
 - Some kind of honor system sliding scale?
 - Sliding scale for ticketed events
 - BAC Brunch
 - Fortieth Anniversary Gala
 - Rainbow Project Breakfast

11. Announcements

12. Adjournment

David Vess