Report from GLBT-RT Over the Rainbow (OTR) Project

Steering Committee Meeting 1 – Washington, D.C. – June, 2010

Our projects during the past two months include:

• approval by GLBT-RT Steering Committee vote to become an ad hoc committee. The following motion was made March 22nd, 2010, by SC member David Vess on ALA Connect:

I move that the GLBTRT Steering Committee (1) evaluate and comment on the accompanying Over the Rainbow (OTR) project proposal (2) take a virtual vote as soon as possible to accept the OTR Project chaired by Arla Jones as a GLBTRT ad hoc committee and (3) evaluate the work of the committee after one year to decide if the OTR Project should become a GLBTRT standing committee. http://connect.ala.org/node/99615>

- creation of a website http://alaovertherainbow.wordpress.com/
- contacted over 130 publishers regarding 220 + books.
- As of June 10th, over 70 of these titles have been previewed with 27 of them nominated by at least one OTR juror.

Over the Rainbow Project jurors are as follows:

Jane Cothron (Lincoln County Library System, Newport, Oregon), Cecil Hixon (retired, New York, NY), Brent Husher (University of Missouri-Kansas City), Arla A. Jones (chair, Lawrence, Kansas), Jesse Nachem (University of California, Oakland, California), Danielle Pollock (Albuquerque, New Mexico), Larry Romans (Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee), New Ward (retired, Newport, Oregon).

No agenda items.

Respectfully submitted,

Arla A. Jones, Chair