



2023 Hybrid LLX

SPECIAL COUNCIL ACTIONS

ALA Special Council Session

Friday, January 27, 2023

By CONSENT, Adopted ALA CD#5, Hybrid Council Rules as distributed.

By CONSENT, Approved ALA CD#8.1 Hybrid Special Council Session Agenda as distributed.

APPROVED, the recommended language in Article I: NAME and will be included in the final draft of the ALA general revision.

APPROVED, the recommended language in Article II: PURPOSE and will be included in the final draft of the ALA general revision.

APPROVED, the recommended language in Article III: MEMBERSHIP and will be included in the final draft of the ALA general revision.

APPROVED, the recommended language in Article IV: OFFICERS and will be included in the final draft of the ALA general revision.

APPROVED, the recommended language in Article IX: DIVISIONS and will be included in the final draft of the ALA general revision.

APPROVED, the recommended language in Article X: ROUND TABLES and will be included in the final draft of the ALA general revision.

APPROVED, the recommended language in Article XI: CHAPTERS and will be included in the final draft of the ALA general revision.

APPROVED, the recommended language in Article XII: AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS and will be included in the final draft of the ALA general revision.

APPROVED, the recommended language in Article XIV: ELECTIONS and will be included in the final draft of the ALA general revision.

APPROVED, the recommended language in Article XVI: PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY and will be included in the final draft of the ALA general revision.

APPROVED, the recommended language in Article XVII: AMENDMENTS and will be included in the final draft of the ALA general revision.

APPROVED, the recommended language in Article XVIII: DISSOLUTION and will be included in the final draft of the ALA general revision.

APPROVED, Article V, Section 1, Amendment 1

Revise Section 1 to read:

Section 1. Composition. The Executive Board of the American Library Association shall consist of fifteen (15) members including: the four (4) officers of the Association, the immediate past president, and ten (10) ALA members elected to three-year (3-year) terms as follows:

- A. three (3) at-large members;
- B. two (2) division members;
- C. one (1) round table member;
- D. one (1) Rainbow Round Table member;
- E. one (1) chapter member;
- F. one (1) American Association of School Librarians member; and
- G. one (1) member from one (1) of the National Associations of Librarians of Color (NALCo).

All Executive Board members must be active members of the American Library Association. **Executive Board members not serving in at-large roles must be current members of the division, round table, chapter, or association designated above.**

DEFEATED, Article V, Section 1, as amended

Revise Section 1 to read:

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All Executive Board members must be active members of the American Library Association. Executive Board members not serving in at-large roles must be current members of the division, round table, chapter, or association designated above.

DEFEATED, Article V, Section 1, Amendment 2

Revise Section 1 to read:

The Executive Board of the American Library Association shall consist of thirteen (13) members including: the four (4) officers of the Association, the immediate past president, and eight (8) councilors elected by Council to three-year (3-year) terms.

- A. three (3) at-large members;
- B. two (2) division members;
- C. one (1) round table member;
- D. one (1) Rainbow Round Table member;
- E. one (1) chapter member;
- F. one (1) American Association of School Librarians member; and
- G. one (1) member from one (1) of the National Associations of Librarians of Color (NALCo).

All Executive Board members must be active members of the American Library Association. **Executive Board members elected by Council must be current Councilors.**

APPROVED ACTION: The language contained in **the approved amendment** will now be included in the final draft, and Article V, as it stands, will be included in the general revision of the American Library Association Bylaws.

APPROVED, Article VI, Section 1, Amendment

Revise the beginning of Section 1 to read:

Section 1. Council Duties. The Council of the American Library Association shall be the policy-making body of the Association. **The Council shall have the authority to monitor and enforce adherence to all Association policies and procedures.** The Council shall delegate to the Association ...

APPROVED ACTION: The language contained in Article VI will be included in the final draft of the general revision of the American Library Association Bylaws, as amended.

APPROVED, Article VI, Section 2E, Amendment

Revise Section 2E to read:

E. Thirty-six (36) councilors at-large shall be elected directly by the Association at large.

APPROVED, Article VI, Section 2E, as amended

Revise Section 2E to read:

E. Thirty-six (36) councilors at-large shall be elected directly by the Association at large.

APPROVED ACTION: The language contained in Article VI will be included in the final draft of the general revision of the American Library Association Bylaws, as amended.

DEFEATED, Article VII, Section 5, Amendment

Revise Section 5 to read:

Section 5. Virtual Meetings. Meetings of the Association membership may be held virtually or in hybrid in-person and virtual mode; meetings of the Executive Board, Council, Standing Committees and Membership Meetings shall be held in either fully virtual or hybrid mode. The Executive Board shall establish the procedures for such meetings.

HOUSEKEEPING: change to take out the word "membership" from the first sentence.

DEFEATED ACTION: The amended language contained in Article VII **will not** be included in the final draft of the general revision of the American Library Association Bylaws. The original language in the revision of draft bylaws #4 will be retained.

APPROVED, Article VIII, Section 1.a, Amendment

Revise Section 1A to read:

A. *Standing Committees.* The standing committees of the Association named in these bylaws are the Bylaws Committee, the Committee on Appointments, the Committee on Committees, the Committee on Organization, the Election Committee, the Intellectual Freedom Committee, the Nominating Committee, and the Policy Monitoring Committee. Additional standing committees may be adopted by resolution of the Council. The Committee on Organization shall recommend to Council the name, size, composition, and charge of any such committee.

APPROVED ACTION: The language contained in Article VIII will be included in the final draft of the general revision of the American Library Association Bylaws, as amended.

DEFEATED, Article XIII, Section 2, Amendment

Revise Section 2 to read:

Section 2. Auditing. An audit of all accounts shall be made annually by an external auditor and reported to the Executive Board and the executive directors of all Association subsidiary units.

DEFEATED ACTION: The amended language contained in Article XIII **will not** be included in the final draft of the general revision of the American Library Association Bylaws. The original language in the revision of draft bylaws #4 will be retained.

DEFEATED, Article XV, Section 2, Amendment

Revise Section 2 to read:

Section 2. Policy Monitoring Committee. The Policy Monitoring Committee shall monitor the accurate documentation and codification of Association policies and, subject to approval by the Council, shall prepare additions to or changes in the Association Policy Manual. The Committee shall also create and maintain a process for reporting any deviations from Association policies to Council.

DEFEATED ACTION: The amended language contained in Article XV **will not** be included in the final draft of the general revision of the American Library Association Bylaws. The original language in the revision of draft bylaws #4 will be retained.

ADOPTED, Final Motion, 1

Move that the Council adopt this General Revision of the American Library Association Bylaws as amended, for submission to the American Library Association membership, with the proviso that, after appropriate review upon adoption of the General Revision by the ALA membership, all recommended policy insertions be made in the ALA Policy Manual.

ADOPTED ACTION: This general revision of the American Library Association Bylaws, as amended, is adopted, and will be submitted to the American Library Association membership with the proviso that all recommended policy insertions be placed in the Policy Manual after appropriate review upon adoption of the general revision.

APPROVED, Final Motion, 2

Move that the Council approve the creation of a joint working group of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, the Policy Monitoring Committee, and the Committee on Organization to revise the ALA Policy Manual to include recommended policy insertions from the adoption of the General Revision of the ALA Bylaws.

(Report of the ALA Constitution & Bylaws Committee, ALA CD#25)