

COMMITTEE ON LITERACY: REPORT OF ACTIVITIES

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL/MIDWINTER CONFERENCE
COVERS THE PERIOD BETWEEN MIDWINTER MEETING AND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Or

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ROSTER

CHAIR

- Tiffeni Fontno

MEMBERS

- Brandon Adler
- Kathleen Barker
- Stephanie Freas
- Richard Huffine
- Kimberly Hughes
- Veronica Milliner
- Shelley O'Rourke
- LaJuan Pringle
- Dianne Srebro
- Dwain Teague
- Gwen Weaver

ASSOCIATES

- (NAMES HERE)

CHARGE

To develop and recommend the Association's policies related to the promotion of literacy; to develop and encourage the development of programs, educational opportunities, and other resources that assist librarians and libraries in promoting literacy; to raise the awareness of literacy within the Association; to work cooperatively with the Literacy Assembly, the Office for Literacy and Outreach Services and its Advisory Committee, and other ALA units, including the Washington Office, on efforts that have a literacy focus; to develop and maintain partnerships with national literacy organizations.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- The webinar, Libraries at the Intersection of Adult Education, Family Literacy, and Digital Equity
- Webinar, Food Literacy: Providing Access and Knowledge for Your Community
- Updated

EVENTS OR PROGRAMS

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PLANNED ACTIVITIES

- Additional updates to Clearinghouse
 - Big Data/Race
 - Critical Literacy
 - Adult Incarceration
- Info sharing/Content area/General Literacy updates
- Volunteer
- ALA Clearinghouse (clean-up)
- ALA Connect
- Clearinghouse updates

INTERACTIONS WITH OTHER UNITS WITHIN ALA

Co-Sponsored Webinar with the Ethnic Caucuses

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS – HERE

RELATIONSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE’S WORK TO THE ALA STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS

Advocacy in:

- Education and Lifelong Learning
- Equitable Access to Information and Library Services
- Literacy
- Diversity

COMMITTEES SELF-CHECK ON ITS VALUE AND VISIBILITY

We believe the value of this committee remains quite high, especially since literacy is one of the most fundamental areas of focus for the Association. The visibility of the committee, while improved, still feels to be somewhat diminished relative to the importance of our mission and

purpose. With the effects of COVID, this committee has a significant place within the association to be a conduit for programming, planning, and advocacy

ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION