

Committee Information Update (CIU)

COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Committee Name: Scholarships & Study Grants Committee
Conference Year: Annual Conference 2022
Committee Chair: Regina M. Beard
Staff Liaison: Kimberly L. Redd
Committee Members: nine (9)

Date of meeting(s)	Meeting format (in-person or virtual)	Number of members present	Guest Presenters, Speakers
June 24, 2022	In-person	3	NA

Committee Charge: The ALA Scholarships and Study Grants Committee shall make recommendations to the Executive Board and the ALA Council on all policies relating to ALA scholarships, study grants, conference sponsorships or research grants to be made or sponsored by ALA and its units. It shall administer the general scholarships, study grants, conference sponsorships, and research grants presented in the name of the American Library Association, known as “ALA General Scholarships and Study Grants.” All ALA General Scholarships and Study Grants shall exist to advance study or knowledge in library science. The Committee shall review periodically the appropriateness of existing ALA General Scholarships and Study Grants; shall recommend modification, elimination, or suspension of existing ALA General Scholarships and Study Grants, as needed; and shall make recommendations with respect to proposed new ALA General Scholarships and Study Grants. The Committee shall appoint juries to select recipients of ALA General Scholarships and Study Grants (i.e., scholarships and study grants not administered by a unit of the Association), with the exception of Spectrum juries, and shall coordinate the work of these juries and committees. The committee will work with other units of the Association to coordinate tracking, statistics, and other information about all scholarships and study grants sponsored by ALA and its units.

The Scholarships and Study Grants Committee shall be responsible for maintaining the ALA Scholarships and Study Grants Manual, which includes information for all scholarships and study grants presented by ALA or any of its units; it shall also provide general guidance regarding the procedural aspects of the Scholarships and Study Grants Program (such as information concerning deadline dates and publicity releases). --<https://www.ala.org/aboutala/committees/ala/ala-schol-gran>

Objectives of the committee for this conference year, including any planned activities:

1. Bylaws review
2. Staffing assigned scholarship juries
3. Review grant proposal submissions

Describe interactions with other units within ALA:

SSGC reviewed a new grant proposal and after its unanimous approval, submitted the proposal to ALA Council where it was approved for implementation.

Synthesis of activities (summarize discussions, decision(s) or motion(s) reached, and note follow-up action(s) required:

- Approved two new grant proposals—
 - the Ruth Gordon Gadfly Travel Allowance Award- supports travel expenses to ALA Annual for one recipient who is a retired ALA member annually.
 - The Jason Reynolds/Simon & Schuster Travel Grant proposal- supports travel expenses to ALA Annual for five African American teen/youth services or public librarians annually.
- Meeting during Annual conference
 - Introduction of new members (if present)
 - Overview of committee charge
 - Review, for members, of the year's activities

If unable to achieve desired committee outcomes, what hampered the ability to achieve stated goals (lack of resources, member participation, communication issues, procedural delays, etc.?) - NA

Priorities/recommendations for the upcoming year:

Establish a schedule to review scholarships under SSGS purview; possibly appoint an SSGS subcommittee (or solicit volunteers from the committee) to perform review, forward recommendations to SSGS chair.

Other comments/information you believe will help the Association in its work: NA

Submitted by: Regina M. Bell
chair

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