

**American Library Association
Committee on Research and Statistics
2017 Annual Report**
Submitted by Linda Hofschire (Chair)

CORS Roster:

Linda Hofschire (Chair, July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017)
Martha Adkins (Member, July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2017)
Jaime L. Anno (Member, July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2017)
Tiffany K. Chow (Member, July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2017)
Ms. Christine Korytnyk Dulaney (Member, July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2018)
Sarah Amber Evans (Member, July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2018)
M. Dina Giambi (Member, July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2017)
Stacy Lickteig (Member, July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2017)
Tim Ryan Ream (Member, July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2018)
Kristin Whitehair (Member, July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2017)
Dr. Xinyu Yu (Member, July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2018)
Monique Le Conge Ziesenhenn (Member, July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2017)
Ms. Ann L. Holstein (Intern, July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2018)
Mrs. Amanda Rae Howell (Intern, July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2017)
Dr. Kathy Rosa (Staff Liaison, January 5, 2017, to January 5, 2020)

Accomplishments:

2017 ALA Annual Session:

CORS sponsored an ALA Annual session, “Buy-In Not Opt-Out: Creating a Culture for Staff Driven Metrics,” with speaker Chris Cairo, Indianapolis Public Library. A total of 160 people attended.

2017 ALA Midwinter Meeting:

The committee met on Sunday, June 25, 2017 from 1:00-2:30 in the Convention Center. Attendees included Linda Hofschire (chair), Brett Bonfield, Tiffany Chow, M. Dina Giambi, Kelsey Henke (ORS), Monique le Conge Ziesenhenn, Mike Marlin, Kathy Rosa (ORS), Alexandra Smith, and Jen Sweeney.

The committee discussed:

- Executive Board report from liaison Mike Marlin
- Agency updates – IMLS and IPEDS
- The 2017 Annual CORS session
- CORS webinar series
- ALA Office for Research & Evaluation’s activities
- Roundtables updates
- 2018 CORS Annual Conference Program planning
- ALA Research Agenda
- Possible committee name change to “Committee on Research and Evaluation”

ALA Research Agenda:

ORE and CORS are developing an ALA Research Agenda, with a target completion date of January 2018.

Planned activities:

Fall 2017: We will offer a webinar as part of the ongoing CORS webinar series.

Relationship of the committee's work to the ALA strategic plan:

The committee's work most closely aligns with the following goals from ALA's strategic plan:

Goal: ALA equips and leads advocates for libraries, library issues and the library profession, and plays a key role in formulating legislation, policies and standards that affect library and information services.

Goal: ALA provides leadership in the transformation of libraries and library services in a dynamic and increasingly global digital information environment.

CORS contributes to these goals by sharing committee members' research activities and offering conference programs and webinars that highlight innovative research findings and practices.

Current level of committee members' involvement:

We have one member (Tiffany Chow) who helps plan the webinar series and annual conference session. Three members serve as liaisons to other committees/assemblies: Martha Adkins (IFLA), Christine Dulaney (Education Assembly), and Dina Giambi (Legislation Assembly).