

**American Library Association  
Committee Information Update  
Report for Annual Conference 2015**

**Name of Committee:**

Committee on Education

**Committee Chair:**

Susan Roman

**Members Present:** Susan Roman, Chair; Miranda Bennett; J. Drusilla Carter; Karen Downing; Karen Gavigan; Michael Gutierrez; Caitlin Moen (LEANRT Rep.); Alexia Hudson-Ward (ALA Executive Board liaison); Lorelle Swader (staff liaison)

**Members Absent:** Patricia Kidd, Teague Orblych; Lan Shen; Judy Bivens (AASL liaison); Mark Polger (intern); Courtney Baron (intern); Carol Tilley (ALISE rep.)

**Guests:** Beth McGuire (incoming member to COE)

**Accomplishments at this meeting:**

- Reviewed the charge to the committee
- Discussed the role of COE in view of the new ALA Strategic Directions including type of continuing education for leadership and management, delivery methods of continuing education, and forms of recognition for continuing education
- Established a Task Force to develop guidelines for the review of ALA education policies on a continual and regular basis
- Received recommendations for the next revision of ALA's Core Competences of Librarianship from the Government Information Subcommittee of the ALA Committee on Legislation
- Prepared for the meeting of the Education Assembly

**Planned Future Activities:**

- To pursue possibility of re-establishing a joint program between ALA and ALISE at the beginning of the ALA Midwinter Meeting and the end of the ALISE Annual Conference
- To continue to analyze and discuss the important role of the Committee on Education in accomplishing the new ALA Strategic Directions and Key Action Area: Professional and Leadership Development
- To strengthen and more tightly structure the Education Assembly Meeting and reach out to invite all units of ALA who have education programs to participate in the Education Assembly
- To approve the guidelines/procedures for ongoing and regular review of ALA education policies being developed by a Task Force of COE
- To begin to review "Library and Information Studies and Human Resource Utilization," a policy adopted by the Council of ALA on January 23, 2002.
- To become more visible within ALA and to promote the important role of COE to all units of the association

Submitted by: Susan Roman

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