

**YALSA Board of Directors Meeting
via Conference Call
September 9, 2014**

Topic: Confirmation of Recommendations for IFLA Representatives

Background: In August the YALSA board approved Karen Keys as YALSA's nominee for IFLA's Section on Libraries for Children & Young Adults and Sylvia Vardell as YALSA's nominee for IFLA's Section on Literacy & Reading, and directed the Executive Director to work with the ALA Chapter Relations Office to submit these names to the ALA Executive Board for their consideration. In August the YALSA Board, via its space in ALA Connect, discussed the applicants and voted to approve Keys and Vardell. Including the item as a part of this meeting simply ensures it will be entered into the official record of the association.

Action Required: Consent

In 2014 the board needs to recommend one representative for each of the following:

1. International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions' (IFLA) Section on Libraries for Children & Young Adults.
2. International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions' (IFLA) Section on Literacy & Reading.

A call went out for applicants in the spring of 2014 and a total of 6 applications were received.

Qualifications

The applicant must:

- Be a current YALSA member
- Be an expert in the field covered by the section
 - see www.ifla.org/libraries-for-children-and-ya for information about the Section on Libraries for Children & YAs
 - see www.ifla.org/literacy-and-reading for information about the Section on Literacy & Reading
- Be fluent in at least one working language of IFLA (English is an IFLA working language)
- Attend all IFLA conferences during his/her term of appointment. Expenses to attend IFLA meetings/conferences are the responsibility of the individual or his/her institution.

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Future conference locations are listed at <http://conference.ifla.org/future-congresses>.

IFLA, ALA and YALSA do not provide financial support.

- Serve as a liaison between the IFLA Section and YALSA's Board of Directors

Timeline

July '14 YALSA board vets applicants

Aug. '14, YALSA notifies applicants as to the status of their application

Jan. '15, ALA Executive Board meets and considers YALSA recommendation

Feb. '15, YALSA notifies applicants of ALA Executive Board's decision

March – April '15, election by ballot for IFLA section standing committees that have more candidates than open positions

May '15, election results announced

Aug. '15, Appointees represent YALSA at IFLA conference in Cape Town, South Africa