

YALSA Board of Directors
Midwinter Meeting, Seattle
January 25-29, 2019

Topic: *JRLYA* Editor Semi-Annual Report

Background: Robin A. Moeller, the member editor of *JRLYA*, has provided the Board with a semi-annual report. The journal is YALSA’s peer-reviewed, open source research journal, launched in November 2010 as part of the Board’s strategy for addressing the research goal in the strategic plan.

Action Required: Consent

Updates

1. Issues Published During the Reporting Period

Volume 9, number 2 was published on January 17, 2019. The paper acceptance rate for this term was 40%, which is appropriate for a research journal of this type. A topical call has been issued and three papers are currently under review for publication, with an expected publication date of late February, 2019.

2. Current Issues/Difficulties

As it has been noted in the past, finding enough research papers of publishable quality to fill issues continues to be a struggle. Based on the advice of the previous editor (Denise Agosto), I have issued a call for papers based on a theme identified by the *JRLYA* advisory board, in order to maximize visibility and reach. We may see two-three issues of the journal this year.