

YALSA Board of Directors Meeting  
ALA Midwinter Meeting, Dallas  
January 20 – 24, 2012

**Topic:** Board Fellow Confirmation

**Background:** At their 2011 Annual meeting, YALSA’s Board approved the establishment of a Board Fellow program. Applications were collected from July to December, and a total of 5 eligible applications were received. Sarah Flowers, Shannon Peterson, Stephanie Squicciarini and Gail Tobin volunteered to serve on an ad-hoc committee to vet the applicants. In December the YALSA Board, via its space in ALA Connect, discussed the ad-hoc committee’s recommendation and voted to approve it. 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

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**Proposal:**

Offer the first Board Fellowship to applicant Carrie Kausch.

**Rationale:**

- The ad-hoc committee of the board vetted the 5 applications and agreed that hers was the strongest. The full board reviewed and affirmed the ad-hoc committee’s recommendation.

**Proposed Action:**

Approve the choice of Carrie Kausch as the 2012 - 2013 Board Fellow.

**Additional Resources:**

- Board Fellow information on YALSA’s web site:  
[www.ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants/yalsa\\_fellows\\_program](http://www.ala.org/yalsa/awardsandgrants/yalsa_fellows_program)