

**YALSA Board of Directors Meeting
ALA Midwinter Meeting, Seattle
January 19-24, 2007**

Topic: Request for Board Action: SUS Evaluation Taskforce

Background: At the 2006 Midwinter Meeting a taskforce was established to review the entire Serving the Underserved program – its goals, curriculum, process and potential for financial gain, perhaps from publications, and report back to the board with a progress report at Annual 2006.

Action Required: Action

NAME = Francisca Goldsmith, SUS Evaluation Task Force Chair

REQUEST = To extend the life of the SUS Evaluation Task Force for one more year.

RATIONALE = This Task Force was brought together so close to Annual that we were unable to have a scheduled meeting and, in fact, were able to meet only serially. Part of our work is to evaluate what SUS has done and it was October before we received a list of agencies who have had SUS training between 2001-2005. Added to that, it appears that MANY trainers have fallen off the radar--or training for SUS has fallen off their radar, so we are working with both a diminished Task Force and a diminished group of informants. The charge of the Task Force is excellent and the work doable, but we have had so many setbacks at the outset that we cannot deliver anything useful at the current sunset date of this Midwinter.