

**Spring Executive Committee Meeting
April 19th, 2011 via Conference Call**

Topic: Possible YCC Resolution on Out of School Hours

Background: Around the time of the 2011 Midwinter Meeting, the Youth Council Caucus began discussing the possibility of a resolution on libraries and out of school hours. A draft resolution was put forward in Council at Midwinter, but it was withdrawn because more time was needed in order to expand and refine the resolution. Nick Buron mentioned in an email to the Board on March 15th that Rhonda Putney was still working on the resolution. The Executive Committee may want to discuss strategies for strengthening the resolution and moving it forward in Council at Annual.

Action Required: Discussion

Draft Resolution from Midwinter:

Resolution on After School Programs

Whereas public and school libraries are venues where books, online resources, programs, services and staff can raise the effectiveness of community after school programs;

Whereas after school programs with a librarian and a recreational reading program contribute to the enjoyment of reading and student success because *kids that read do succeed*,

Whereas after school programs that incorporate school and/or public librarians and make available the wide resources of the library program enable children and teens to develop information literacy for student achievement.

Whereas the U.S. Department of Education in 2007 noted a 30% increase in youth participation in library programs between 1993 and 2005 from 35.6 to 54.6 million.

Whereas libraries that now have state and federal grants for after school programs have experienced powerful and creative results, therefore, be it

Resolved that the American Library Association take action to inform decision makers of the value of public and school libraries and librarians during the after school hours of 3-6pm and encourage increased funding for national and federal monies.

Mover: Nick H. Buron, YALSA Division Councilor

Seconders: Rhonda K. Putney, ALSC Division Councilor, Sylvia K. Norton, AASL Division Councilor

Additional Resources

- ALA Council Guidelines for Preparation of ALA Resolutions <http://tinyurl.com/6zmv7xt>
- YALSA wiki page on After School Programs
http://wikis.ala.org/yalsa/index.php/After_School_Programs