

**Fall Executive Committee Meeting
October 21-22, 2011, Chicago**

Topic: ALA Council Update

Background: YALSA’s Division Councilor, Nick Buron, has provided an update on ALA Council that includes major items approved by Council at the 2011 ALA Annual Conference as well as recent discussions on the Council listserv.

Action Required: Information

Action items approved by ALA Council affect many areas of our organization and YALSA. I encourage all Board Members to go to: http://www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/governance/council/council_actions/2011mw_annual_actions/annual2011_actions_f.pdf and read how ALA Council allocated their three meetings. For your convenience, here are some highlights that may affect YALSA and/or our members:

ALA Council I
Sunday, June 26, 2011

VOTED, To adopt ALA CD#48, Resolution on Out of School Time Library Programs, as amended to read: “That the American Library Association (ALA)

1. Encourages our members to tell their legislators, as well as local and national organizations and associations, about the value of their library to Out of School library programs.
2. Urges Library Directors, Trustees, School Board members and supervising government bodies to ensure that libraries, of all types, dedicate the proper funding to insure that comprehensive Out of School library programs for all children and teens are maintained.”

ALA Council III
Tuesday, June 28, 2011

ADOPTED, ALA CD#20.10, Resolution to Increase Funding for the Improving Literacy Through School Libraries Program, which read: “That the American Library Association (ALA):

1. Urges the United States Congress to recognize the importance of school libraries by retaining the authorization of Improving Literacy Through School Libraries.

2. Urges Congress to commit a minimum of \$19.1 million designated specifically for Improving Literacy Through School Libraries in FY 2012.”

ALA Council Update since the Annual Conference (pertinent discussions on the listserv, possible Midwinter resolutions, etc.)

- There has been no conversation on ALA Connect at all.
- Conversations on listserv include:
 - Budget issues from libraries around the country.
 - ALA conversations with APA regarding e-books markets and privacy.

2012 ALA Midwinter Council and Other Meetings

Saturday, January 21

Council Orientation, 8-10am

ALA Presidential Candidates Forum, 11am-12noon

Sunday, January 22

ALA/Council/Executive Board/Membership Information Session, 9-10am

ALA-APA Council, 10:15-11:00am

ALA Council I, 11:15am-12:30pm

ALA President's Program, 3:30-5:30pm

ALA President's Program Reception, 5:30-7pm

Monday, January 23

Youth Media Awards Press Conference, 7:30-9am

Council II, 10am-12:15pm

Executive Board Candidates Forum, 12:30-1:30pm or immediately following the adjournment of Council II

Tuesday, January 24

Council III, 8:00am-12:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Nick Buron

Additional Resources:

- Council meeting agendas are posted at www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/governance/council/councilagendas/index.cfm
- Guidelines for Preparation of ALA Resolutions: www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/governance/council/resolutionguidelines/index.cfm