

**YALSA Board of Directors Meeting  
via Conference Call  
June 4, 2013**

**Topic:** Establish a 2013 - 2014 Appointments Taskforce

**Background:** In the recent past, President-Elects have worked with the board to establish an appointments taskforce which would assist them with recruiting, vetting and appointing members to committees and other appointed groups. Chris Shoemaker has submitted a request to establish a taskforce, which is provided below.

**Action Required:** Consent

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**Proposal**

Establish a taskforce that would serve as an advisory group to the President-Elect for the 2013 – 2014 committee/jury/taskforce appointments process.

**Rationale**

- Past Presidents have felt that this taskforce has helped to ensure that the appointments process was as inclusive as possible.
- Past Presidents have stated that with only one person doing the appointments it was hard to find new blood or be able to make the best decisions because they were working in isolation.
- Since member engagement is one of the five goals in YALSA's Strategic Plan, creating groups such as the appointments taskforce can help ensure that YALSA is doing a good job of helping connect members with engagement opportunities.

**Proposed Charge**

To provide support and advice to the President-Elect in regards to committee/jury/taskforce appointments. Activities may include: recruiting members to fill out volunteer forms, providing advice in order to ensure diverse representation on member groups and communicating with applicants after the appointments have been made. Task force term: 1 year term starting in July. Member group size: 4 - 6 virtual members, plus a chair. Representation from diverse backgrounds is encouraged. Chaired by the President-Elect.

**Action Requested**

The Board move to approve the establishment of the Appointments Taskforce and direct the incoming President-Elect to appoint members to the group.