

YALSA Board of Directors Meeting  
ALA Annual Conference, Chicago  
June 23 - 27, 2017

**Topic:** Quarterly Chair Reports for February

**Background:** Chairs were asked to submit a report of what work their group has accomplished since mid-August. Standing Board Committees each discussed the reports relating to their strategic goal area. They considered the following questions:

- Is each group making adequate progress on their charge and/or tasks (as outlined in the task list)? If not, what do they need to get back on track?
- As a whole, how are these groups doing in terms of supporting the strategic plan goal? Are there any gaps that need addressing? If so, how?
- Are there any commonalities among the groups, either positive or negative? If so, what are they and how might they be addressed?
- Are there opportunities to connect some or all of these groups to each other in order to increase efficiency or impact?
- What, if anything, does the standing committee or individual committee members need to do or follow up on?
- Is there anything high level that should be shared with the President and Executive Director? If so, what?
- Other? whatever else you feel is needed

At this meeting, Standing Board Committees are encouraged to reflect on the reports and discuss trends, common threads, overarching issues, opportunities for cross-committee collaboration, etc. among the reports so that the Board might address them as a whole.

**Action Required:** Consent

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The following have not submitted chair reports as of Feb. 21:

- Paula Brehm-Heeger, 2017 Governance Nominating
- Jessy Griffith, Continuing Education Advisory Board
- Jane Gov, Financial Advancement
- Amanda Bressler, Publications Advisory Board
- Heather Dickerson, Legislation

Nick Buron

**Group: National Guidelines Oversight Committee**

**Chair's Name: Gail Tobin**

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**Board Liaison: Nick Buron**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: Oversee YALSA's portfolio of national guidelines, including performing such tasks as: working with staff to disseminate and promote the guidelines ; regularly evaluating the existing guidelines and making recommendations to YALSA's Board for updating or revising guidelines and/or the need to create supplementary materials or tools; assisting staff with establishing and maintaining liaisons with appropriate decision makers and stakeholders , both inside and outside the library profession, that monitor and evaluate the performance of teen services programs and librarians. While the Oversight Committee is charged with making recommendations, the authority to adopt, direct the revision of and/ or sunset guidelines rests with YALSA's Board of Directors.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? We promoted YALSA's National Guidelines and the reorganization with a blog article. We revised our work plan after Midwinter to focus on reviewing the existing guidelines and look for opportunities to add messaging about privacy to align with "The Library's Role in Protecting Teens Privacy" position paper which was approved at midwinter. We have begun with the Core Values.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:  
Professional Development Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.:

- PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)
- Resource Development (toolkit, wiki page, etc.)

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Establish a timeline to review the remaining guidelines and identify areas that may need updating/additions. We will submit any recommendations for changes we determine are needed.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? We will share our recommendations with the YALSA board, who will determine if they will be added to the Guidelines. Blog articles will help make sure YALSA members are aware of the updates.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 3 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.: none Additional Concerns or Comments: The committee has waited for Midwinter since we were asked to promote the new Research Agenda (approved at Midwinter) and an updated version of YALSA's Competencies for Librarians Serving Youth once they were out. Committee members were prepared to promote the Competencies, but they were not updated at Midwinter. The committee has refocused on the privacy position paper.

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

No

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Diane Colson**

**Group: Mentoring Task Force**

**Chair's Name: Carla Land**

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**Board Liaison: Diane Colson**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: Review applications submitted for the YALSA 2014 - 2015 mentoring program to determine applicants' eligibility. Using information provided in mentor and protégé applications select and match mentors and protégés from those applicants who are eligible. Submit selections/matches to YALSA's Program Officer for Continuing Education. Committee size: 5 - 7 virtual members.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? We completed the matching of protégés and mentors during the previous quarter. I suggested we do a blog to encourage more participation, but there wasn't a lot of feedback from other members of the taskforce on this, so it was put on a back burner.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.: Professional Development Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as

apply.: Other (Please explain below)

other: Blog post discussed.

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Since I was informed a proposal to revise the taskforce presented to the Board at Midwinter all plans are on hold until we hear back on what the outcome was of that discussion.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? Depending on what the Board tasks us with, I would still like to get a blog post going to encourage more members to participate.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 3 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.:

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form? I didn't actually have a need to touch base with Diane, so maybe the last question there could be rephrased so that there is that option?

**Group: Selection and Award Oversight Committee**

**Chair's Name: Shelly McNerney**

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**Board Liaison: Diane Colson**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To ensure efficient functioning of YALSA's award and selection committees. To advise committee chairs on recommended procedures for committee operations based on a thorough knowledge of YALSA policy, committee operation, background, and experience.

To collect, analyze and respond to quarterly chair reports. To summarize, analyze and evaluate periodically for the YALSA Board the progress and concerns of the selection and award committees. To facilitate communication among selection and award committees and to identify common areas of concern and identify solutions. To coordinate training and orientation for incoming committee members. To note particular abilities of committee members in the work of the organization and to share this information with the Board and nominating committees. 5 to 7

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virtual members, including the chair, as well as a designated liaison from the O&B Committee.  
Term commencing February 1,  
2016 through January 31.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? We led the webinars for incoming selection and award committee members and chairs in January. In the fall of 2016 we attempted to create collections of documents related to each committee which could be passed to incoming chairs (including things like publisher contact lists, form letters for contacting publishers, phone call scripts for award committees, etc.).

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Collections
- Outreach/Partnerships
- Professional Development

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.:

- Continuing Education (webinar, video, program, etc.)
- Resource Development (toolkit, wiki page, etc.)

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Continue to provide assistance for, and developing relationships with, the incoming chairs.

Creating a log of questions from the new chairs for future reference.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? We don't anticipate that we will have any news to share with the larger YALSA audience.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 2 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.: No participation concerns, we've only been together for 2 weeks.

Additional Concerns or Comments: On-going concern from last year is whether chairs understand that we are a resource for them. Returning Oversight members often noted lack of communication as a challenge last year.

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?:

**Trixie Dantis**

(liaises with Annual Conference Scholarships Jury and MAE Award Jury)

**Franklin Escobedo**

**Group: Teens' Top Ten Committee**

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**Board Liaison: Franklin L. Escobedo**

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Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: All is going well. We decided the official social media hashtag for Teens' Top Ten (#yalsattt). We met as a group to discuss the upcoming Book Trailers. Per YALSA's Future Services to Teens Report, we would like to propose the Teen Reader Groups take on the task of creating the book trailers. It is another avenue the teens can use to develop technical and potential career skills as well as another way for teens continue to be involved in their libraries and with YALSA. We would like to try/begin it this year with the current groups.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months?

We created the official social media hashtag for the Teens' Top Ten Committee We finished compiling the nominations for 2016 We narrowed the 2016 nominations down to the Top 75 semifinalists We sent the list to the reader groups for them to begin voting on to come up with the Top 25 Finalist list, to be released in April.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Audience/Teens
- Collections
- Youth Participation

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.:

- Outreach/Collaboration
- Resource Development (toolkit, wiki page, etc.)

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months?

Continue compiling nominations for 2017 Teens' Top Ten List The 2016 Top 25 Finalists will be released in April We will need to compile Book Trailer videos, hopefully with teens participating in this We will accept applications for the Teens' Top Ten Reader Giveaway as well as beginning vetting them What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? The Teens'

Top Ten Committee will work to promote the Top 25 list through blog posts and book trailer lists. We will also advertise the Teens' Top Ten Giveaway via social media channels and YALSA newsletters.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 1: Accomplished Exceedingly Well

Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.: none Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Jane Gov**

(liaises with FAC & Writing Award Jury)

**Sarah Hill**

**Group: 2017Awards Nominating Committee**

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**Board Liaison: Sarah Hill**

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Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To recruit, vet and select candidates for the slate for the election of YALSA Edwards, Nonfiction and Printz Award Committee Members. When building the slate, strive to seek out the most qualified individuals as well as provide for broad representation, including but not limited to representation of the membership by: diverse background, type of library, special interest, and geographic location, being sure to incorporate diversity as defined by ALA/YALSA. To communicate regularly with the Governance Nominating Committee and share information about potential candidates to ensure there is no overlap. To educate members about service on the YALSA award committees, including conducting necessary outreach via an array of avenues like social media, blogs, newsletters, and partnership with other organizations to ensure diverse representation. To assist candidates in preparing for the election, including but not limited to working with the YALSA blog Member Manager to interview candidates. To review the process after each election and make recommendations for the next cycle.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? Candidates were placed on the ballot. So far no one has dropped out, at least to our knowledge. The Blog began conducting interviews to be published. Waiting to see the outcome of the Spring Election to see if the committee will be going away :) What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Collections
- Professional Development

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.:

- PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)
- Member Engagement (Twitter chat, contest, survey, etc.)

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Our term is ending and a new group should be taking over. And waiting for the outcome of the election.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? Just been sharing the changes with the selection list.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 1: Accomplished Exceedingly Well  
Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.:

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form? For this committee, it's working

**Group: 2018 Governance Nominating Committee**

**Chair's Name: Sarah Sogigian**

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**Board Liaison: Sarah Hill**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To recruit, vet and select candidates for the YALSA Board of Directors for the YALSA slate for the 2018 election. When building the slate, seek out the most qualified individuals and provide for broad representation, including but not

limited to representation of the membership by: diverse background, type of library, special interest, and geographic location, being sure to incorporate diversity as defined by ALA/YALSA. To communicate regularly with the Award Nominating Committee and share information about potential candidates to ensure there is no overlap. To educate members about governance and service on the YALSA Board, including conducting necessary outreach via an array of avenues like social media, blogs, newsletters, and partnership with other organizations to ensure diverse representation. To assist candidates in preparing for the election, including but not limited to planning and implementing a Candidates' Forum at the 2018 Midwinter Meeting and candidate interviews for posting on the YALSAblog. To review the process after each election and make recommendations for the next cycle.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months?

Most of us participated in the Coffee with the Candidates event at MW, and met briefly after to discuss our work. We've reviewed our function statement, as well as supporting docs from Beth. Our Connect space is set up and we've started to suggest people that may be potential nominees. Our next step is to create a spreadsheet to track out info, and being assigning members to connect with potential nominees.

We're also coordinating the promotion of us seeking nominees, using YALSA resources like listservs, social media, and the blog, as well as handouts and local promotion.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Outreach/Partnerships
- Policies

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.: Member Engagement (Twitter chat, contest, survey, etc.)  
other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Ideally, I'd like to narrow down out list of potential candidates by May, so that we can use June/July to focus on more specific conversations with candidates, as we as assisting them with getting their forms completed.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? Nominations form is OPEN! messages, posted to a variety of YALSA online spaces and personal/local spots online. We also have handouts we can take with us to local conferences, meetups, and professional development classes.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 1: Accomplished Exceedingly Well

Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.:

Additional Concerns or Comments: thanks to all of you (Beth, Letitia, Sarah, and Sandra) for your help as we got going!

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form? I actually really like this form...it helps me reflect on the meaningful work we have completed, and prepare for what's next.

**Group: Executive Committee**

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**Board Liaison: Sarah Hill**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To act for the Board of Directors between Board meetings on items that require interim action; to review agendas for the Board meetings and to make recommendations to the Board regarding items reviewed and under consideration by the Board; to review YALSA activities and programs and recommend division priorities in relation to activities; to provide support and training for the Board of Directors and Chairs. YALSA's Executive Committee may not: amend bylaws; elect or remove board members; hire or fire the executive director; approve or change the budget; make major structural decisions.

Committee size:

President, President-Elect, Immediate Past President, Fiscal Officer, Secretary, YALSA Division Councilor and Executive Director (ex-officio).

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? The executive committee met in person at Midwinter twice. See the agenda at

[http://www.ala.org/yalsa/sites/ala.org.yalsa/files/content/ExecAgenda\\_MW17.pdf](http://www.ala.org/yalsa/sites/ala.org.yalsa/files/content/ExecAgenda_MW17.pdf)

to read more, but the group mainly discussed ALA level meetings at conference, and what we learned at them. We did discuss the new fiscal aspect of the EC and the next steps for relationship building with ALA.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Policies
- Professional Development

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.: PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? The board approved documents at Midwinter about the Executive Committee, so now the Committee needs to make sure those things get done. I'm looking into creating an EC manual, and a place to gather emails that can be re-used over the years. The pertinent docs will be placed in ALA Connect so next year's committee can review them as needed. The Committee will have a phone call in the next three months to discuss the YALSA budget.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? The fiscal phone call will be discussed on the YALSA blog.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 2 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.: Not everyone participated in the editing of board docs about the executive committee before Midwinter, so other members had to pick up the slack.

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form? : Instead of the Futures report, have it refer to the organizational plan. Also, it should have a fiscal question so we know what committees are spending/earning money.

**Group: President's Program Planning Task Force**

**Chair's Name: Valerie Davis**

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**Board Liaison: Sarah Hill**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement:

To work with the YALSA President and Program Office for Conferences & Events to plan, organize and implement the YALSA President's Program at the next Annual Conference.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? We have set up a, google chat and have been discussing programming options.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Audience/Teens
- Programming

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.: Continuing Education (webinar, video, program, etc.)

other: Planning for a program at annual

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Finalizing the slate of programs.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? The final slate of the program.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 1: Accomplished Exceedingly Well

Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.: none Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Sandra Hughes Hassell**

**Group: Competencies Update Taskforce**

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**Board Liaison: Sandra Hughes Hassell**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement:

Review YALSA's report, The Future of Library Service for and With Teens: A Call to Action, as well as competencies and frameworks from the afterschool, summer learning and connected learning communities in order to create a futures-focused version of YALSA's Competencies for Librarians Serving Youth which embeds the key principles from YALSA's report as well as adapts best practices and stellar examples from relevant external documents. Ensure that the updated version complements, but is not redundant to, these recent YALSA documents: Teen Programming Guidelines and Core Professional Values for the Teen Services Profession.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? The group was reformed with new members and we began looking at the competencies in a new way. We compared wording and values across multiple agencies to try to create a new idea.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.: Policies

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.: Other (Please explain below)

other: Eventually after board approval they will be published What is your group's workplan for the next three months? The committee will continue to work on the competencies with an eye toward intensive work at annual.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? None with members.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 1: Accomplished Exceedingly Well

Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.:

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

### **Gretchen Kolderup**

**Group: 2017 Summer Learning Taskforce**

**Chair's Name: Barbara Bahm**

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**Board Liaison: Gretchen Kolderup**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To leverage state and local networks to promote the applications for summer learning grants. To vet the applicants for the grants and by February 12, 2017, choose the 20 applications that best meet the eligibility requirements as measured by their responses to questions on the application. To vet the applicants for the summer intern grants and choose the 20 best by February 26, 2017. To compile and/or create resources focused specifically on assisting library staff with implementing summer learning programs and activities and add them to YALSA's wiki as they are developed. To seed discussions and share resources on the Summer Learning Ning. Taskforce size: 5 - 7 virtual members, including the chair. Term: July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? One member posted a presentation on Makerspace projects. The other members posted and contributed to conversations on the Ning. In January, the members vetted and selected 20 winners and 3 alternates for each of the two grants. We are thinking of making a little "How to fill out your grant application tips".

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Collections
- Programming
- Youth Participation
- Outreach/Partnerships

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.:

- Continuing Education (webinar, video, program, etc.)
- Member Engagement (Twitter chat, contest, survey, etc.)

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? See above.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? Just keep conversation going on the Ning.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 1: Accomplished Exceedingly Well

Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed

them.: Didn't have one member respond to the emails about vetting the grants so two members just vetted them. I couldn't help because I had applied for one.

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Jennifer Korn**

**Group: Teen Tech Week**

**Chair's Name: Dawn Abron**

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**Board Liaison: Jennifer Korn**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To assist with the planning and implementation of a week-long national initiative that gives libraries the opportunity to feature all of their non-print resources for teens and their families.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months?

- \* A social justice post was featured on The Hub
- \* A post on social media and social justice was written for the YALSAblog and is awaiting approval.
- \* Forums and discussions were started on the TTW Ning.
- \* Info about TTW, open source sites, Programming HQ were posted to Facebook and Twitter.
- \* We vetted 33 grant applications and chose five to receive the TTW grant.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Audience/Teens
- Collections
- Programming

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.:

- PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)
- Resource Development (toolkit, wiki page, etc.)

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months?

- \* To locate coding programs on YALSA publications/websites and referring professionals to such articles for program development.
- \* Starting new forums and discussions on the TTW Ning.
- \* Writing a post on the YALSAblog about coding program ideas.
- \* Using social media to inform professionals about TTW.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? \* We plan to share social justice and coding programming ideas to YALSA members through the wiki and social media.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 2 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.:

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Todd Krueger**

(liaises with all IGs, which are only required to submit an annual report in July)

**Group: Teens Are Not Alone Interest Group**

**Chair's Name: Lorraine Roussin**

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**Board Liaison: Todd Krueger**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: This interest group is for YALSA members to generate ideas to help teens understand and empathize with our changing world, as well as to empower them to advocate for change in a positive manner.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? We have just been officially made into an Interest Group. Our main outcome is finding a communication tool we are all comfortably using. At present, we are using Slack.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.: Audience/Teens Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.: Member Engagement (Twitter chat, contest, survey, etc.)

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Currently, we are still trying to formulate one.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? We are hoping to develop resources to share on the YALSA Wiki.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 4 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.:

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

No

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Kafi Kumasi**

**Group: Research Committee**

**Chair's Name: Robin Moeller**

**Board Liaison: Kafi Kumasi**

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Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To stimulate, encourage, guide, and direct the research needs of the field of young adult library services, and to regularly compile abstracts, disseminate research findings, update YALSA's Research Agenda as needed and to liaise with ALA's Committee on Research & Statistics.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? The committee members wrote two articles for the most recent issue of YALS. One committee member recently submitted an article for the YALS Research Roundup feature, to be published

in the Spring 2017 issues. That member has also written a more condensed version of her article which will be posted to the blog. Members also participated in the recent survey sent by the Board regarding the research agenda's revisions.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Audience/Teens
- Collections
- Programming
- Literacies
- Youth Participation
- Outreach/Partnerships
- Policies
- Professional Development

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.:

- PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)
- Other (Please explain below)

other: The works submitted by the committee are considered efforts toward continuing education and resource development.

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Our workplan includes continuing our efforts to write research-based pieces for YALS and the blog. We also welcome information from the Board regarding the revised research agenda, and are available to disseminate information about those revisions.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? We will continue to share information about relevant research or the revised research agenda with members through YALS and the blog. Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 1: Accomplished Exceedingly Well Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.:

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

No

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Candice Mack**

**Group: Community Connections Taskforce**

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**Board Liaison: Candice Mack**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: Compile existing and, as needed, develop new resources for members on the topic of using community engagement and partnerships to address teen needs. Resources must address the following key topics: rationale for pursuing community partnerships; strategies for assessing teen and community needs and identifying possible partners; examples of organizations that could serve as potential partners; asset mapping of library resources to determine what the library can bring to a partnership; and turn-key

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resources libraries can adapt and use, such as sample email messages to potential partners, community needs assessment tools, asset map checklist, etc. As completed, promote the community connections resources with the assistance of YALSA staff and member leaders through a variety of YALSA and other channels, including but not limited to: YALSAblog posts, webinars, Academy videos, Google Hangouts, and presentations at conferences.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? 1. A first draft of the Toolkit on Partnerships and Funding to Enhance Teen Services in the Library, which had 17 sections, and addressed every aspect of the function statement plus more.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Audience/Teens
- Outreach/Partnerships

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.: Resource Development (toolkit, wiki page, etc.)  
other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? 1. To work on the edits to the revised draft proposed by Director Beth Yoke.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? 1. I will propose a blog post with the link to the toolkit on the YALSA blog.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 2 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.: I had two people drop out of the group, and I notified the board liaison, who sent the information along.

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Group: 2017 YA Symposium Marketing & Planning Taskforce**

**Chair's Name: Dawn McMillan**

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**Board Liaison: Candice Mack**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To assist YALSA's Program Officer for Conferences & Events with the planning, marketing and implementation of an annual teen services conference, including the creation and maintenance of an online social networking site that will be the primary marketing tool for the event, vetting papers and proposals, vetting scholarship applications and more. Members will regularly add content to the social networking site to build excitement for and share information about the event. Members will work with YALSA's Communications Specialist to create and assist with the implementation of a marketing plan. Members will work with presenters leading up to the event to ensure high-quality programs on a full range of topics relating to teen services.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? The group has had regular email communication regarding selecting a theme for the Symposium. We have also begun evaluating the program proposals!

The task force works well together and is quick to reply when tasks need to be completed.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Programming
- Professional Development

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.: PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)  
other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Within the next three months, we will continue to work to finalize the program proposals.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? We will be in contact with Nichole concerning our work on the program proposals and additional planning for the symposium in November.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 3 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.: None at this time

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form? N/A

### Crystle Martin

**Group: Hub Advisory Board**

**Chair's Name: Molly Wetta**

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**Board Liaison: Crystle Martin**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: The Hub Advisory Board participates in the development and maintenance of the Hub and follows the guidelines for the site as set out by the YALSA Board of Directors. The Advisory Board also serves in an advisory capacity to the Member Manager of the site and assists with the collection of content for the site, generates ideas for content, works on getting teen and librarian input and feedback, facilitates marketing and PR as needed, and writes for the site as nee What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? Our focus was on planning for the transition of selected lists to The Hub.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Collections
- Professional Development

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.:

- Continuing Education (webinar, video, program, etc.)
- PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)
- Resource Development (toolkit, wiki page, etc.)
- Member Engagement (Twitter chat, contest, survey, etc.)

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Our main focus is to balance the regular work of the Hub with the onboarding of the new Amazing Audiobooks and Quick Picks bloggers. We're also planning a monthly feature of thematic paperback titles and a system to

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feature our favorites at year's end. Hub Advisory Board members are going to take on more coordination and editing tasks with the regular board to allow me more time to focus on the selected lists transition.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? Over the next few months we'll be promoting the 2017 awards and selected lists through the Hub Reading Challenge and monthly posts discussing thematic books from all the awards and lists, as well as continuing our series of posts on collections related to various programs in conjunction with the YALSAblog.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 2 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.:

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Group: JRLYA Advisory Board**

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**Board Liaison: Crystle Martin**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: YALSA's Research Journal Advisory Board oversees the peer reviewing process as outlined in the Refereeing Process Guidelines that were approved by the YALSA Board of Directors. The Board also serves in an advisory capacity to the Member Editor of the journal by assisting with the solicitation of contributors and articles as well as generating ideas for topical articles or themes, when requested from the Member Editor. Advisory Board size: 5 to 7 virtual members, including Chair.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months?

We are presently working towards recruiting submissions for the CFP of a special topics issue for the JRLYA, on Social Justice and YA Library Services. As Chair, I have shared the CFP with advisory board members on a bi-weekly basis, encouraging everyone to share the information with their various channels, contacts, and networks. To this end, all members of the board have reported being engaged in the following activities:

- Consistent promotion of CFP via professional listservs and social media (Twitter, Facebook)
- Verbal promotion of CFP to LIS faculty and graduate students, and in committee meetings
- Posting of CFP to YALSA Blog
- CFP featured in YALSA e-News on the following dates: December 21, January 18, February 8.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Outreach/Partnerships
- Professional Development

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.:

- PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)
- Outreach/Collaboration
- Member Engagement (Twitter chat, contest, survey, etc.)

other:



What is your group's workplan for the next three months? The deadline for the CFP is February 15, 2017, so as the advisory board, we are looking forward to working with the journal Editor to peer review articles for the special issue, during the 2nd quarter of this year.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? In the next three months, there is no information to share with YALSA about peer reviewing articles for the JRLYA special issue. However, we will continue to promote and share the publication information of the journal, as the journal's editor requests.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 2 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.: None.

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Group: YALS/YALSAblog Editorial Advisory Board**

**Chair's Name: Crystle Martin**

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**Board Liaison: Crystle Martin**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To serve as advisor to the co-chairs of the Advisory Board, the editor of YALS and the YALSAblog Member Manager, on the overall content of the print journal and the blog. To take an active role in determining content for both publications and an annual editorial calendar that identifies timely topics as well as authors for articles and blog posts. To create messages and content to promote the blog and the journal and to cross-populate each to highlight the content and focus of each publication. To work to ensure that key YALSA guidelines, resources, initiatives, etc. are integrated into the blog and the journal. To assist with the search process for a new editor or member manager, when appropriate.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? We revised the categories for the YALSAblog. Brainstormed ideas and found authors for the Spring YALS issue which is now in press. We are currently brainstorming ideas for the Summer issue of YALS. The EAB was also tasked by the executive committee to explore the possibility of taking YALS digital only, we are currently crafting a survey for readers, and are talking to the ad sales people to determine the impact/success of this decision.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Audience/Teens
- Programming
- Youth Participation
- Outreach/Partnerships
- Professional Development

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.:

- PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)
- Outreach/Collaboration

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Finish brainstorming ideas for the Summer issue of YALS, finish our analysis of taking YALS digital, create a potential list of "30 days of" topics for the YALSA blog member manager.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? Since we are the YALS/YALSAblog EAB what we do is conveyed to members through the context and content of blog posts and articles.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 1: Accomplished Exceedingly Well  
Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.:

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Group: YALS/YALSAblog Editorial Advisory Board**

**Chair's Name: Crystle Martin, Allison Renner Board**

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**Liaison: Crystle Martin**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To serve as advisor to the co-chairs of the Advisory Board, the editor of YALS and the YALSAblog Member Manager, on the overall content of the print journal and the blog. To take an active role in determining content for both publications and an annual editorial calendar that identifies timely topics as well as authors for articles and blog posts. To create messages and content to promote the blog and the journal and to cross-populate each to highlight the content and focus of each publication. To work to ensure that key YALSA guidelines, resources, initiatives, etc. are integrated into the blog and the journal. To assist with the search process for a new editor or member manager, when appropriate. Committee Size: 6 virtual members including at least two members from the previous year. Term: 2 years, commencing after Annual and ending after Annual.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? YALSAblog has continued to share timely information regarding the organization, such as conference information and session recaps, committee term information, and monthly President's reports. The blog is also continuing to highlight programming ideas and outreach information. Posts have been submitted by guest bloggers who may not work in a library, but work with teens in another capacity to help broaden YALSAblog's scope. The blog partnered with The Hub in December to present "30 Days of Working for and with Teens for Social Justice", and is actively planning future partnerships.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Audience/Teens
- Library Space (physical and virtual)
- Collections
- Programming
- Literacies
- Outreach/Partnerships
- Policies
- Professional Development

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as

apply.:

- PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)
- Outreach/Collaboration
- Resource Development (toolkit, wiki page, etc.)

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Upcoming posts include: interviews with the candidates, ALA Annual Local Arrangements information, Teen Tech Week programming ideas, continuing the partnership and outreach posts, further partnerships with The Hub, and trying to get members to recruit their teens to write posts. YALSAblog will be reaching out to ask for more guest posts from people outside of library walls who work with teens, to continue rounding out the blog's scope.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? As member manager, I send email to the bloggers list-serv regarding upcoming information that needs to be shared or posts that need to be written. As far as sharing with YALSA members (and beyond), blog posts are submitted and shared.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 1: Accomplished Exceedingly Well  
Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.: I need to update the current bloggers list, because I don't think everyone listed is still contributing. After I evaluate the list, I might need to recruit more consistent bloggers.

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?:

**Melissa McBride**

**Group: Organization & Bylaws**

**Chair's Name: Melissa McBride**

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**Board Liaison: Melissa McBride**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To revise the Bylaws in order to clarify them and, when necessary, to recommend revision and amendment to improve them for the effective management of the division, for the achievement of its stated objectives, and to keep them in harmony with ALA Constitution and Bylaws; to study and review committee functions, recommending changes in committee structure; to advise on the organization handbook; and to make recommendations on other appropriate organizational matters. Committee size: 9 including at least two members from the previous year.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months?

At Midwinter the Board approved Board Doc 25 which reflected bylaws changes regarding the awards committees. The bylaws changes are now on the ballot for a vote by membership in March/April. We also reviewed bylaws changes brought forward by the LTTS SBC regarding changes to the Governance Nominating Committee.

I was also on the task force that made recommendations for the changes to the Selection Lists.  
What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.: Policies  
Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.: PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)  
other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months?

We are waiting for the results of the vote on the bylaws. If membership approves the changes we will need to work with staff to update the handbook, etc.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? We have already written a blog post about the potential bylaws changes and if the changes are approved we will leverage various communication methods to inform membership of how the changes will impact them.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 2 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.: We had a few members step down in the previous quarter, since then we have been working well together. Although since we turned in our changes to Beth in October we have been pretty quiet. I try to communicate regularly with my committee to let them know what is happening.

Additional Concerns or Comments:

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Kate McNair**

**Group: Division Membership & Promotion Committee**

**Chair's Name: Colleen Seisser**

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**Board Liaison: Kate McNair**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To work with staff to develop and pursue an aggressive and continuous campaign to recruit and retain members for YALSA; to promote the association to colleagues and to key partners as defined in the YALSA Strategic Plan; to promote and maintain good relations with existing members through activities such as the member booth at conferences; recognition of member anniversaries and outreach to lapsed members.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months?

November:

We had a virtual meeting where we discussed the idea for attracting new members by creating messages that committee members would deliver to list servs, groups, etc.

This led to the creation of a workflow document where messages would be created each month by the committee chair and then members would tailor and send these messages to at least two list servs, groups, etc. every month with the goal to attract new members.

A message was created for November and sent to such groups as: YALSA-BK, YAAC, YouMedia Learning Labs Network, Teen Services Underground, and ALA Think Tank Facebook Group

December:

A message was created for December and sent to assigned groups

January:

A message was created for December and sent to assigned groups. There have been some committee member changes the last few months. As it stands, these are the list serves, groups, etc. that committee members are sending messages

to: YouMedia Learning Labs network, Teen Services Underground, PA List serves (PA Public Libraries), ALA Think Tank Facebook group, Programming Librarian Interest Facebook group, PUBYAC, NMRT, YALSA-BK, YAAC, ACRL (Community College and FYE listservs), MD Library Association, NYLA, PLA, and newly

added: ILA YASF and Spectrum Scholars (will start in February) Members started fine tuning the tailoring of the messages this month as they gained experience with posting messages to their respective groups.

The committee had a virtual meeting to start planning the YALSA 101 session.

The committee worked on a shared document to develop ideas for the YALSA 101 session. At the end of the month action items were created for the continued planning of the YALSA 101 session as well as finalizing the date and time of the session at the ALA Annual conference.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Outreach/Partnerships
- Professional Development

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.:

- PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)
- Outreach/Collaboration
- Member Engagement (Twitter chat, contest, survey, etc.)

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months?

Continue to post messages to selected listservs, groups, etc. to attract new members who are already using YALSA services or working with teens.

Plan the YALSA 101 session for the ALA Annual Conference Brainstorm how we can bring YALSA to our local conferences and events Continue to brainstorm about unique marketing ideas and diverse groups to outreach to, and explore putting action to the ideas.

Keep people in mind for YALSA's referral program.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it?

We plan to share information monthly to selected listservs/groups/etc. that highlight the benefits for YALSA membership. A message will be crafted that committee members will take to their selected listservs/groups/etc. and tailor it to their audience. This message will also be shared with Letitia Smith so she can share via email to users of such sites as YALSA Teen Read Week site, YALSA Teen Tech Week site, and YALSA's Summer Learning site.

We may also explore posting to YALSA Blog about our work, but that depends on if there is time for members to contribute.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 2 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.:

There has been a lot of turnover in this committee. We saw four members resign in the last three months.

A couple of times there have been no reasons given for the resignations, but the most consistent reason I have been getting is that the members don't have time for the committee. I am not sure if this is a trend, but maybe something to watch? It may be that the new goals and activities of this committee this year might be what people feel that can't commit to--in the idea sense-- not so much the actual workload but committing themselves to the ideas and thinking behind what we are asked to do. In more detail, because I am not sure I am finding the right words, Member A joins the committee thinking that it would be as the committee is currently outlined on the webpage <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/workingwithyalsa/committees/divisionmembership> but when they get the intro to the committee I send them and realize that we are in a transition year and thinking about big picture ideas and how to reach out to new members, then Member A --even though they aren't asking to produce a lot of work physically or time wise-- doesn't feel like they can devote their thoughts or interests into what we are focusing on this year? I am sure I am not asking a lot of committee members. We are doing the same amount of work as last year, I have just added the additional task of sending out monthly messages.

Members are not readily available for virtual meetings due to other obligations and time zone differences. At the end of January, I have moved to strictly working via collaborative documents on Google. The committee unanimously voted for this due to other obligations and troubles with finding meeting times that fit time zone differences.

Additional Concerns or Comments: The function of the committee should be changed if the DMP committee maintains this current course of work.

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Group: Website Advisory Committee**

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**Board Liaison: Kate McNair**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To regularly assist the YALSA Web Services Manager with the oversight and maintenance of YALSA's online presence, including but not limited to its wiki and social media channels. To liaise with YALSA member groups, member editors and member blog managers regarding the use of YALSA's website and social media tools in their work for the Division; to liaise with the ALA Web Advisory Committee; and to recommend, develop and update policies for YALSA's web presence to the YALSA Board.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? Gina Seymour (chair) met with the ALA WAC in Atlanta. There is talk of changing this committee, most notably potential limiting of member representatives, as per COO. All present at MW meeting, including chair, strongly opposed limiting any division within ALA to post a representative to WAC. Also, ALA WAC was unaware that the YALSA WAC will end in June 2017. Not sure how

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YALSA will appoint a rep for ALA WAC. This is something for you to consider. Gina met new blog manager at MW at YALSA booth and has exchanged emails. Committee members have been updated on ITTS report and MW meeting.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Outreach/Partnerships
- Professional Development

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.: Resource Development (toolkit, wiki page, etc.)

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Transitioning.

Committee will no longer be in existence after June 2017.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? Most information will need to be shared with Anna Lam. (Prior to June) Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 2 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.: n/a  
Additional Concerns or Comments:

RE: ALA WAC - Update on meeting with Committee on Organization (COO) to approve change to WAC Title and Charge (unofficial minutes) COO send back recommendations that the committee is too big.

Discussion from WAC: Various ways of streamlining or limiting membership were discussed and ultimately discarded. All divisions want to be represented, divisions use the website, software and services differently. Representation is important for the flow of information backwards to the divisions and opportunity for equal representation. Expanding our working groups for various technology issues to help draft policies, test software and do usability work.

2017 Midwinter ITTS Report to WAC can be found here:

<http://connect.ala.org/node/261600>

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Jessi Snow**

**Group: Teen Read Week Committee**

**Chair's Name: Amanda Barnhart**

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**Board Liaison: Jessi Snow**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To assist with the planning and implementation of a week-long national initiative to that gives libraries the opportunity to encourage all teens to read for the fun of it.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months?

- The Teen Read Week committee members brainstormed 33 Teen Read Week slogans and offered YALSA the top 4 TRW slogan ideas. None of the committee's ideas were utilized by YALSA.

- A look at the findings from the TRW Survey is scheduled to post to the YALSAblog next week.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:  
Professional Development Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.: PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)  
other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months?

- Develop content for the YALSA TRW 2017 handbook.
- Make suggestions for webinar content or presenter for TRW 2017 to take place before TTT 2017 voting in August 2017.
- Start conversations with YALSA's Interdivisional Committee on School/Public Library Cooperation about the best way to promote TRW communication and collaboration through public and school library partnerships.
- Modify TRW grant requirements to include the stipulation that the selected grant participant must submit their program to the YALSA Programming HQ site upon evaluation of the program.
- Solicit TTT groups to create short video booktalks of TTT nominees or any book that will be featured in August 2017 during TTT nominations or October during TRW 2017.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it?

Promote TRW grant application submissions by including it in the YALSA e-newsletter.

Promote TRW grant application submissions by writing a YALSAblog post on elements that make a good grant application.

Promote TRW grant application submissions by featuring the best programs from previous TRW grant winners on YALSAblog.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 1: Accomplished Exceedingly Well  
Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.:

Additional Concerns or Comments: In the past four years in which I have served as a member or chair for TRW, YALSA has never used any of the suggestions offered by the committee for the Teen Read Week theme. As every year the committee has invested their time into brainstorming numerous ideas around a theme, the committee questions their involvement with this responsibility.

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

In regards to group's effectiveness, we had very little to accomplish this quarter, as dictated by our task list. Does that mean we were exceedingly effective at not doing much? This question always makes me pause.

**Mega Subramaniam**

**Group: Annual Conference Marketing & Local Arrangements Committee**



**Chair's Name: Abigail L Phillips**

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**Board Liaison: Mega Subramaniam**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: To work with YALSA's Web Services Manager prior to the conference to create and disseminate online marketing materials that promote YALSA's presence at the ALA Annual Conference. To plan and implement YALSA local arrangements activities in close cooperation with YALSA's Program Officer for Conferences & Events, including assisting on-site with logistics for YALSA programs and overseeing teen participation for the ALA Annual Conference.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? We began work right after Midwinter. We have organized our blog posts leading up to Annual, made progress on finding area teens to participate, and are in the beginning stages of managing a Chicago tour for YALSA members during the conference.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Youth Participation
- Outreach/Partnerships

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.:

- PR/Promotion (blog post, YALS article, e-news item, etc.)
- Outreach/Collaboration

other:

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? We will continue writing blog posts at least two per month. We will also make additions and/or changes to the conference wiki.

Additionally, we will finish organizing the city tour for YALSA members.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? The majority of our news in the next three months will come from committee member posts to the YALSA blog. We are covering a range of topics including vegan/vegetarian restaurants, city sights, and history of the city.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 1: Accomplished Exceedingly Well  
Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.:

Additional Concerns or Comments: The group is working very well! All the committee members are engaged and excited about the work.

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form?

**Group: Midwinter Paper Presentation Planning Committee**

**Chair's Name: Cindy Welch**

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**Board Liaison: Mega Subramaniam**

Committee Jury or Task Force Function Statement: Plan and implement an annual research-focused paper presentation to be given at the Midwinter Meeting on a topic related to YALSA's Research Agenda and/or report, "The Future of Library Services for and with Teens: A Call to Action," including: working with YALSA's Communications Specialist to promote the call for

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papers, vetting the applicants and working with YALSA's Program Officer for Conferences & Events to plan the presentation at Midwinter.

What were the outcomes or results of your group's work in the past three months? We have "met" via email and introduced ourselves. Our term began following Midwinter 2017 so we're just getting started.

What topics of skills in the Futures Report [1] were addressed? Select as many as apply.:

- Outreach/Partnerships
- Policies
- Professional Development

Which strategies were used for the above action areas? Select as many as apply.: Other (Please explain below)

other: Our next meeting is where we will take up the work of the committee.

What is your group's workplan for the next three months? Once we have been notified that the application for the Midwinter Paper Proposal has been posted, we will begin promoting the opportunity through various media outlets.

What news or information related to your group do you plan to share with YALSA members in the next three months and how will you share it? We will be using all YALSA's social media, as well as other blogs, listservs, and discussion groups, to promote the opportunity to submit papers for the 2018 Midwinter Paper Session.

Rate your group's effectiveness over the past three months.: 3 Please list any participation concerns, including unexcused absences, and how you addressed them.: None at the moment.

Additional Concerns or Comments: None at the moment.

Were you able to touch base with your board liaison since your last report?

Yes

How would you improve this reporting form? : There's a typo in the line, "What topics OR skills in the Futures Report ..."