

**Fall Executive Committee Meeting
October 26-27, 2012, Chicago**

Topic: Preparing Future Selection Committee Members

Background: This past February, the YALSA President held one hour virtual training sessions for both selection committee members and selection committee chairs. Besides training focused to help appointees be effective and successful in their immediate committee work, is other training in regards to their broader role in YALSA needed? The Executive Committee will want to explore whether these committees are receiving adequate training and what type of training activities to put into place for committees that begin work Feb. 1, 2013.

Action Required: Discussion

Recent Training Efforts

The 2012 chair webinar focused on:

- Board & Staff Liaison Support
- Ethics
- Draft Social Media Policy
- Managing Committee Members & Work
- Working virtually year-round
- Committee Policies & Procedures
- Interactions with Publishers
- Nominations
- Q & A

The 2012 selection committee member webinar focused on:

- Board & Staff Liaison Support
- Ethics
- Draft Social Media Policy
- Committee members & their relationship with YALSA
- Managing your committee work
- Committee Policies & Procedures
- Interactions with Publishers
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Questions to Explore

- What is it that selection chairs and committee members need to know to be successful and when do they need to know this information?

- How much emphasis should be placed on building literature evaluation skills? Chairs have remarked in the past, that committee members' expertise in this area varies widely.
 - Also, is there a broader interest among the YALSA membership and library community in building these skills? If so, would a webinar, e-course and/or preconference meet that need?
- How can YALSA help selection committee members to better understand YALSA's mission more completely and how their role as selection committee members connects to YALSA's bigger mission?
- How can we bridge the participation/support gap with members whose only interest is selection committees so that they are more engaged in the mission and work of YALSA? Can/should that be addressed through training?

Additional Resources

- Recording of selection committee member training webinar,
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