YALSA Board of Directors Meeting

Topic: JRLYA Editor Semi-Annual Report

Background: Robin A. Moeller, the member editor of JRLYA, has provided the Board with a semi-annual report. The journal is YALSA’s peer-reviewed, open source research journal, launched in November 2010 as part of the Board’s strategy for addressing the research goal in the strategic plan.

Action Required: Consent

Updates

1. Issues Published During the Reporting Period
   Volume 12, number 1 was published in June of 2021. Between June and December, JRLYA received five manuscript submissions. Of these submissions, one has been accepted, three have been rejected, and one currently under review. A new issue of the journal will likely be published in February or March 2022.

2. Current Issues/Difficulties
   As it has been noted in the past, finding enough research papers of publishable quality to fill issues continues to be a struggle. Using a combination of open calls for manuscripts and the JRLYA board’s development of thematic issues has continued to work to a certain degree. Currently, there are three active members serving on the JRLYA board. I will ask them in January to develop a theme which we can use to attract additional submissions.

   Note: I have very much enjoyed editing JRLYA since 2018. I feel that it’s now time for someone to take over the position. I will finish up my current year, working until June 30, 2022. After that I do not plan to renew my contract. I plan to publish at least one more issue during that time. My thanks go to the YALSA Board for your continuing support of JRLYA.