

**Major Motions 2003 Annual
YALSA Board of Trustees**

- The term of the Outstanding Books for the College Bound Committee was extended through the end of Annual Conference 2004 if the chair of the committee deems it necessary.
- Accepted the resolution honoring the late Paul Zindel as presented by Michael Cart:

WHEREAS, one of young adult literature's most eloquent, influential, charmingly eccentric and original voices was stilled by the death, on March 27, 2003, of novelist and playwright Paul Zindel,

AND WHEREAS, Paul Zindel, in such novels as *The Pigman*; *My Darling, My Hamburger*, and *I Never Loved Your Mind* helped create contemporary young adult literature, peopling it with unforgettable characters who -- as he has described them -- are "ornery, troubled, have an irksome itch and demand a realistic story that is more than a comfortable grocery list,"

AND WHEREAS, Paul Zindel, in his writing, created realistic story-mirrors in which teenagers everywhere could see their own ornery, sometimes troubled selves reflected in ways that could make them laugh and give them hope of someday scratching every one of life's irksome itches,

AND WHEREAS, in recognition of these signal and enduring contributions Paul Zindel received the 2002 Margaret A. Edwards Award for his lifetime contribution to writing for young adults,

AND WHEREAS, through his novels, Paul Zindel became every teenager's own personal Pigman, a wise, witty, genial, caring adult and surrogate parent who never failed to take them seriously and who taught them invaluable lessons in friendship, kindness, courage, and self-confidence,

AND WHEREAS, in this way he never stopped repaying the kindness of his own personal pigman, Nonno Frankie Vivona, whom he so eloquently memorialized in both his landmark novel, *The Pigman* and his evergreen memoir, *The Pigman and Me*, both of which were cited by the Margaret A. Edwards Award Committee, along with his novel *My Darling, My Hamburger* and his Pulitzer Prize-winning play *The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-In-The-Moon Marigolds*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that YALSA extend its sincere sympathy to the family of Paul Zindel while also expressing its profound gratitude for the life and work of a man who realized his destiny by becoming, as he noted in his Edwards Award acceptance speech, "a maker of words that put pictures into

kids' minds." In so doing, he also became a creator, fashioner and shaper of young adult literature in ways that endure and will continue to make salutary differences in the lives of generations of young readers to come. And thus, though Paul Zindel the man may be gone, Paul Zindel, the maker of words lives on.

- Moved to have the Teen Advisory Groups (TAGS) Task Force develop a member survey to determine content for the site, the task force chair and Board liaison work with the ALA ITTS Group to develop a database backend for TAGS registration and to have the Task Force become a committee as of September 1, 2003.
- Moved to appoint a Literacy Implementation Task Force to create an action plan for the Key Action Area of Literacy in the YALSA Strategic Plan and use the recommendations of the prior Literacy Task Force. Also moved that the Task Force begin its work in July 2003 and end at the end of Midwinter 2004.
- Accepted the Literacy Task Force Report with the change under Publications to read, "theme issues of Young Adult Library Services."
- Accepted the proposal to offer one free TRW Preconference ticket to one of the libraries registering for TRW 2003.
- Directed the Division and Membership Promotion Committee to implement the proposed mentoring program with proposed recommendations from the Board, and requested that the committee report back to the Board during Midwinter 2005.
- Accepted the FY 2004 Budget.
- Agreed to co-sponsor the ASCLA Summer Reading Session scheduled for Tuesday morning in Orlando at Annual 2004.
- Accepted the slate of programs for the 2004 Annual Conference as presented.
- Directed the YALSA Councilor to vote against the Cuban Resolution.
- Amended the charge of the Graphic Novels Task Force.
- Voted THAT the YALSA staff and the Organization and Bylaws Committee incorporate the Committee's monitoring forms with the pre-conference and post-conference report forms.
- Accepted the Board Member Attendance Policy as amended.
- Accepted the Best Books for Young Adults Committee nomination timeframe adjustment.

- Accepted the Virtual Member Policy as amended by the Organization and Bylaws Committee.
- Accepted the revision proposed by the Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers Committee.
- Accepted the recommendation of the Organization and Bylaws Committee to change the audience comment time limit at BBYA meetings with the exception of the special teen segment.
- Commended Mary Costabile for her untiring work on behalf of the three youth divisions during challenging times.
- Instructed YALSA staff to contact the Support Staff Interests Round Table to begin conversations on involving support staff. Also committed to investigating collaborations among YALSA, SSIRT and outside support staff organizations.
- Moved to accept resolutions for the following YALSA Board members whose terms were expiring:

RESOLUTION FOR BONNIE KUNZEL

Whereas Bonnie Kunzel has served ably and diligently as YALSA President and member of the Executive Board; and

Whereas Bonnie served on the Best Books Committee and read every title nominated for three years; and

Whereas Bonnie was a member of the Alex committee for many years and worked to establish the Alex Award; and

Whereas Bonnie organized the most successful YALSA preconference on record, SF in SF, and presented it at numerous subsequent conferences; and

Whereas Bonnie graduated from one of the first Serving the Underserved (SUS) Institutes and consequently has provided training for library staff across the United States; and

Whereas Bonnie has served on Council and represented YALSA's best interests while also serving as Division President; and

Whereas Bonnie has provided tireless support for the Best Books, Michael L. Printz Award, Alex and other YALSA selection committees;

Whereas Bonnie has lent her knowledge and expertise to the planning process, helping to create exciting opportunities to share and expand teen service ideas; and

Whereas Bonnie was able to drag herself out of the line to buy Harry Potter items in order to be with us today; and

Whereas Bonnie experienced the birth of her first grandchild during her service on the Executive Board and willingly shared numerous photographs of the cutest baby on the face of the earth;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Young Adult Library Services Association membership, express sincere thanks and appreciation to Bonnie Kunzel for her dedication to the organization, to young adult literature, and to the teens we serve.

RESOLUTION FOR ED SULLIVAN

Whereas Ed Sullivan has served as a member of the YALSA Board of Directors for three years and moved the work of the Association forward; and

Whereas Ed Sullivan supported the important YALSA strategic planning process; and

Whereas Ed Sullivan has advocated for teens as readers and library users in Tennessee, New York, and nationwide; and

Whereas Ed Sullivan serve on Best Books for Young Adults and chaired the Best of the Best Preconference, and remains committed to promoting excellent reading for teenagers; and

Whereas Ed Sullivan's pop culture neckwear statements made sure YALSA Board members weren't bored members;

Whereas Ed Sullivan ably represents YALSA's vision, mission and strategic plan through programming for key partners like NCTE/ALAN;

THEREFORE be it resolved that YALSA thanks Ed Sullivan for his service to the Association and to young adults.

RESOLUTION FOR SARA RYAN

Whereas Sara Ryan has served diligently and with flair as a YALSA Director for the past three years; and

Whereas Sara started her YALSA career on the Teen Hoopla Committee and capably assumed the chair position shortly after being appointed; and

Whereas Sara has willingly volunteered for numerous subcommittees and task forces; including subject areas as diverse as Diversity, the future of *JOYS*, and establishing guidelines for the YALSA members only site; and

Whereas Sara acted as Board Liaison to various YALSA committees, providing advice and communicating concerns and issues to the Board; and

Whereas Sara represented YALSA and recruited members at numerous Round Tables and Interest Groups; and

Whereas Sara never missed an opportunity to divest herself of her footwear during Board meetings; and

Whereas Sara appeared at each new conference with a brand new hair color; and

Whereas at a very young age, Sara wrote and published a young adult novel, *Empress of the World*, which made the Best Book list;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors, on behalf of the YALSA membership, express sincere thanks and appreciation to Sara Ryan for her dedication to the profession and for giving us hope for the future of the American Library Association and the Young Adult Library Services Association.