

**2014 MIDWINTER MEETING
IMPLEMENTATION REPORT
ON ALA COUNCIL ACTIONS
TAKEN AT THE
2013 ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 201 3 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
COUNCIL ACTIONS

ALA Policy A.4.2.4 requires the Executive Board or its delegates to report to Council on the status of implementation of motions and resolutions passed by Council during the preceding year. The report shall be entered in the Council minutes.

Document Number/Title of Document: ALA CD#37 (rev. 6/28/13), Resolution
Reaffirming ALA's Commitment to Basic Literacy

Implementation Action: The ALA Council

Document Number/Title of Document: ALA CD#40, Declaration for the Right to Libraries Resolution (*cont.*)

Dissemination: Council's action on the resolution was sent to the following: the ALA Council; ; a press release was also issued by the ALA Public Information Office, which was picked up for distribution by Direct.

Posters, signing sheets and other materials for the Declaration are available now. Additionally, individual library supporters have the option to sign the Declaration online. Advocates can follow the Declaration campaign on social media.

Document Number/Title of Document: ALA CD#47, Resolution Commending the Freedom to Read Foundation (FTRF) for Defending Videogames

Implementation Action: The ALA Council *ADOPTED* ALA CD#47, Resolution Commending the Freedom to Read Foundation (FTRF) for Defending Videogames, which read: "That the American Library Association (ALA), on behalf of its members:

1. commends the FTRF for recognizing videogames as a non-print medium in libraries worthy of First Amendment protections;
2. continues to support the Freedom to Read Foundation (FTRF) in defense of libraries when presented with challenges to videogames included in gaming collections;
3. continues to support the Freedom to Read Foundation (FTRF) and supports Game-RT so that it may be a 'force for initiating and supporting game programming in libraries'; and
4. continues to stand by the Freedom to Read Foundation (FTRF) in alignment with the researchers, politicians and institutions that challenge unscientific studies attributing violent behavior to videogames."

Dissemination: Council's action on the resolution was sent to Jonathan Kelley FTRF program officer, for appropriate distribution.

Document Number/Title of Document: Council Committee on Organization, ALA CD#27.1, Item #2

Implementation Action: The ALA Council *VOTED* to retire the current Committee Information Update form, to be replaced by a semi-annual report by each ALA committee and each Council committee that, as appropriate, addresses:

- ‡ Accomplishments
- ‡ Planned activities
- ‡ Issues that affect the committee's work and their implications for the future
- ‡ Interactions with other units within ALA
- ‡ Relationship of the committee's work to the ALA strategic plan
- ‡ Current level of committee members' involvement (more substantive than an attendance roll)
- ‡ Committee self-check on its value and viability (update charge, discontinue committee, consolidate with another, change structure, other observations)
- ‡ Other issues of each committee's own devising (ALA CD#27.1, Item #2)

Dissemination: Council's action was sent to all of the ALA and Council committees for their implementation.

Document Number/Title of Document: Policy Monitoring Committee Report, Items#1-3.

Implementation Action: The ALA Council *APPROVED* the following recommendations:

- . That the following text be incorporated into the _____ as Policy B.8.5.2.1:

B.8.5.2.1. Protect Library User Confidentiality in Self-Service Hold Practices.

ALA urges all libraries that implement self-service holds to protect patron identity by adopting practices and procedures that conceal the library user's personally identifiable information in connection with the materials being borrowed; and, urges libraries, librarians, and the responsible bodies of ALA to work with vendors to incorporate applications into integrated library systems that enable libraries to conceal a library user's identity in a cost-effective manner. (ALA CD#17.1, Item #1)

Document Number/Title of Document: Policy Monitoring Committee Report, Items#1-3
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Implementation Action: The ALA Council **APPROVED** the following recommendations:

2. That the revised text of the Guidelines for Preparation of Council Resolutions, as outlined in ALA CD#17.1, Item #2, be incorporated into Policy A.4.2.3 of the
3. That the revised text of Guidelines for Preparation of Resolution for Membership Meetings, as out lined in ALA CD#17.1, Item #3, be incorporated into Policy A.7.4.10 of the

Response: The policy changes have been incorporated into the online ALA .

Document Number/ Title of Document: Constitution and Bylaws Committee Report, ALA CD#25, Item #1

Implementation Action: The ALA Council **VOTED** to approve the application for affiliate status for the Library and Information Association of New Zealand Aotearoa (LIANZA).

Response: Council's action was transmitted to the Library and Information Association of New Zealand Aotearoa (LIANZA). It is now an official ALA affiliate organization.

Document Number/Title of Document: Constitution and Bylaws Committee Report, ALA CD#25, Item #2

Implementation Action: The ALA Council **VOTED** to approve the following two editorial changes to the ALA Bylaws, pursuant to Article XI, Section 2 of the ALA Bylaws.

Under Article I, Membership, Section 5: "The category to which any personal member belongs, except Honorary and Life Members, shall not be specified in the Directory and shall be regarded as confidential." Since ALA no longer has a directory, C&B proposes that the phrase: "shall not be specified in the Directory" be removed. The section will now read:

"The category to which any personal member belongs, except Honorary and Life Members, shall be regarded as confidential."

Document Number/Title of Document: Constitution and Bylaws Committee Report, ALA
CD#25, Item #2. (*cont.*)

Implementation Action:

Document Number/Title of Document: ALA CD#38, Resolution in Support of Whistleblower Bradley Manning (*cont.*)

dialogue about transparency, domestic surveillance, and overclassification" (CD#39, 2013); and

Whereas West's defines whistleblowing as "the disclosure by a person, usually an employee, in a government agency or private enterprise; to the public or to those in authority, of mismanagement, corruption, illegality, or some other wrongdoing" (West's Encyclopedia of Law, 2005); and

Document Number/Title of Document: Memorial Resolutions, M-#12-M-#24

Implementation Action: The ALA Council

Document Number/Title of Document: Council Tellers Report, ALA CD#12.3, Item #2
(*cont.*)

Response: The PBA will meet on Sunday, January 26, 1- 2:00 pm, PCC-111 B. The invitation

Document Number/Title of Document: ALA CD# 20.4 (COL) and ALA CD#19.2 (IFC), Resolution on the Need for Reforms for the Intelligence Community to Support Privacy, Open Government, Government Transparency, and Accountability (*cont.*)

5. encourages the public to support bills and other proposals that both secure and protect

Document Number/Title of Document: ALA CD#20.5, Resolution Urging Congress to Designate the Government Printing Office as the Lead Agency to Manage the Lifecycle of Digital United States Government Information

Implementation Action: The ALA Council *ADOPTED* ALA CD# 20.5, Resolution Urging Congress to Designate the Government Printing Office as the Lead Agency to Manage the Lifecycle of Digital United States Government Information, which read:

“That the American Library Association (ALA), on behalf of its members:

1. urges Congress designate the Government Printing Office the lead agency to develop a United States federal government-wide strategy for managing the lifecycle of digital government publications, documents, information, and web sites;
2. urges Congress authorize the Government Printing Office to develop and administer standards and procedures for the United States federal government which include rules for dismantling sites and archiving web content, including the preservation of all pertinent data protocols, documentation, and software programs for evaluating and manipulating the content for permanent public access;
3. urges Congress require that the Government Printing Office consult with the United States federal publishing agencies, the National Libraries, and professional library and archiving groups in the development of these standards and procedures; and
4. urges Congress provide the Government Printing Office sufficient funding to h1(n)-1(g)6(r)2(e)s f

Document Number/Title of Document: ALA CD# 20.5, Resolution Urging Congress to Designate the Government Printing Office as the Lead Agency to Manage the Lifecycle of Digital United States Government Information (*cont.*)

Response:(*cont.*)

2. Congress authorize the Government Printing Office to develop and administer standards and procedures for the United States federal government which include rules for dismantling sites and archiving web content, including the preservation of all pertinent data protocols, documentation, and software programs for evaluating and manipulating the content for permanent public access;
3. Congress require that the Government Printing Office consult with the United States federal publishing agencies, the National Libraries, and professional library and archiving groups in the development of these standards and procedures;
4. Congress provide the Government Printing Office sufficient funding to handle the archiving of web content, to perform its duties on an ongoing basis and additional funding as necessary to fully assist agencies when they are forced to decommission a web site.

Document Number/Title of Document: ALA CD#19.3, Resolution Supporting Librarians

Document Number/Title of Document: ALA CD#50, A Resolution to Decrease Printing for Council Meetings

Implementation Action: The ALA Council *ADOPTED*, ALA CD#50, A Resolution to Decrease Printing for Council Meetings, which read: “That the American Library Association

(4) We will be working with the staff in ALA Conference Services to make sure there are sufficient power strips in the Council chambers for everyone who needs to plug in a device.

While finding the best way to make the transition to decrease printing for Council meetings, we want to make absolutely sure that everyone is comfortable with the new arrangements. After Midwinter, we will assess the effectiveness of this procedure.

NOTE: It is estimated that approximately \$3,800 is currently being expended for printing Council documents at each Midwinter Meeting and Annual Conference. That does not account for the staff time required to reproduce the Council documents.

Thanks for your help. If you have any questions or suggestions, please let me know.”

Further Response:As of this date, 87 councilors have responded to the survey; with 23 opting to continue to receive paper document. For those councilors who indicate their preference for hard copies and for the councilors who did not response to the survey, paper copies will be available at the Council Document Pick Up Table in the Council room.