

Committee on Professional Ethics

REPORT TO COUNCIL

2017 Midwinter Meeting – Atlanta, Georgia

As chair of the Committee on Professional Ethics (COPE), I am pleased to report on the
es since the 2016 Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida.

Ethics Education

COPE is investigating where and when librarians became aware of professional and personal ethics.

Educational Programming

The Committee on Professional Ethics is planning a program for the 2017 ALA Annual Conference in Chicago, titled The Tougaloo Nine. In 1961, nine college students were arrested for entering a whites only public library in Jackson, Mississippi. Michael Crowell, an artist who grew up using that very library tracked down Ms. Geraldine Edwards Hollis to hear her story of being one of the nine African American Tougaloo College students who attempted

director of the Chapel Hill Public Library will moderate an inspirational and powerful piece of American history. Mr. Crowell and Ms. Hollis would share the stage and talk about the power of art, public libraries, personal histories, libraries as connectors, and of course, the story of the Tougaloo Nine. This program will be cosponsored with PLA and ODLOS.

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