

Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC)

(Description and Committees)

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Association for Library Service to Children

Membership as of August 31, 1994

Organization 423

Personal 3,049

Total 3,472

Susan Roman, Executive director

Eileen Fitzsimons, Deputy executive director

Stephanie Dodge, Program officer

April Judge, Born to Read project manager

The Association for Library Service to Children is interested in the improvement and extension of library services to children in all types of libraries. It is responsible for the evaluation and selection of book and nonbook library materials and for the improvement of techniques of library service to children from preschool through the eighth grade or junior high school age, when such materials and techniques are intended for use in more than one type of library. ALSC has specific responsibility for:

1. Continuous study and critical review of activities assigned to the division.
2. Conduct of activities and carrying on of projects within its area of responsibility.
3. Cooperation with all units of ALA whose interests and activities have a relationship to library service to children.
4. Interpretation of library materials for children and of methods of using such materials with children, to parents, teachers, and other adults, and representation of the librarians' concern for the production and effective use of good children's books to groups outside the profession.
5. Stimulation of the professional growth of its members and encouragement of participation in appropriate type-of-library divisions.
6. Planning and development of programs of study and research in the area of selection and use of library materials for children for the total profession.

7. Development, evaluation, and promotion of professional materials in its area of responsibility.

Board of Directors

Pres., Virginia McKee (1996); pres.-elect, Therese G. Bigelow (1997); past pres., Ellen M. Stepanian (1995); Rita Auerbach (1995); Oralia Garza Cortes (1997); Leslie Edmonds Holt (1996); Ellen G. Fader (1997); Carole Fiore (1997); Sara L. Miller (1996); Virginia A. Walter (1995); Gretchen M. Wronka (1995); div. councilor, Frances V. Sedney (1996).

Executive Committee

To facilitate the actions of the Board of Directors between Board meetings and to consider such items that require interim decisions for the association; to review agendas for the meetings of the Board of Directors and for the annual business meeting of the association and make recommendations to the Board regarding items reviewed and under consideration. All actions are to be reported at the next regular meeting of the Board and are subject to Board review.

Pres., Virginia McKee (1996); pres.-elect; Therese G. Bigelow (1997); past pres., Ellen M. Stepanian (1995); div. councilor, Frances V. Sedney (1996).

Publications

ALSC Newsletter (quarterly). Sent to all ALSC members. Not available by subscription. Ed., Anitra T. Steele.

Journal of Youth Services in Libraries (quarterly). Sent to all ALSC members. Subscription, \$40 a yr. (\$50 foreign). Issued jointly with YALSA. Co-eds., Donald J. Kenney and Linda J. Wilson.

PRIORITY GROUPS

PRIORITY GROUP I--Child Advocacy

To identify and promulgate the rights of children, both within

and outside the profession. To evaluate current or proposed policies, programs, and activities of ALA and its constituent bodies that affect service to children, and to recommend appropriate action. To submit evaluations of proposed national legislation affecting children, with recommendation for action. To identify, evaluate, and recommend ways of working with other organizations and groups concerned with children on the local, state, and national levels. Priority group consultant, committee chairpersons, and discussion group leaders will review annually the function of each of the committees and make any recommendation necessary to meet the responsibilities of this priority group. To maintain liaison with ALA committees, divisions, round tables, and other ALSC priority groups with common concerns.

Cons., Cynthia K. Richey (1996).

Boy Scouts of America, Advisory

Legislation

Mass Media, Liaison with

National Organizations Serving the Child, Liaison with

PRIORITY GROUP II--Evaluation of Media

To evaluate, to establish standards for, and to encourage the availability of materials for children. Priority group consultant, committee chairpersons, and discussion group leaders will review annually the function of each of the committees and discussion groups and make any recommendations necessary to meet the responsibilities of this priority group. To maintain liaison with ALA committees, divisions, round tables, and other ALSC priority groups with common concerns.

Cons., Margaret A. Bush (1995).

Computer Software Evaluation

Film and Video Evaluation

Notable Children's Books

Recording Evaluation

Selection of Children's Books and Materials from Various Cultures

PRIORITY GROUP III-- Professional Development

To identify and recommend any program, activity, or award pertaining to recruitment, improving professional education, continuing education, and the status of librarians serving children. To review any suggested program, award, or activity referred by the Board for research, analysis, or feasibility study. Priority group consultant, committee chairpersons, and discussion group leaders will review annually the function of each of the committees and make any recommendations necessary to meet the responsibilities of this priority group. To maintain liaison with ALA divisions, committees, round tables, and other ALSC priority groups with common concerns.

Cons., Patsy L. Weeks (1996).
ALSC Distinguished Service Award

ALSC/Econo-Clad Literature Program Award

ALSC Scholarships: Melcher and Bound to Stay Bound

Arbuthnot Honor Lecture

(Louise Seaman) Bechtel Fellowship

Education

Managing Children's Services (committee)

Managing Children's Services (discussion group)

Putnam & Grosset Group Awards Selection

State and Regional Leadership (discussion group)

Teachers of Children's Literature (discussion group)

PRIORITY GROUP IV--Social Responsibilities

To identify areas in which service to children should be extended or improved. To recommend policies, programs, and activities that (1) provide children access to information necessary to their development as individual members of a democratic society, and (2) further the international exchange of professional knowledge and materials. Priority group consultant, committee chairpersons,

and discussion group leaders will review annually the function of each of the committees and make any recommendation necessary to meet the responsibilities of this priority group. To maintain liaison with ALA committees, divisions, round tables, and other ALSC priority groups with common concerns.

Cons., Eliza T. Dresang (1995).

Children with Special Needs, Library Service to

Intellectual Freedom

International Relations

Preschool Services and Parent Education

Preschool Services (discussion group)

Social Issues in Relation to Materials and Services for Children

Social Issues (discussion group)

PRIORITY GROUP V--Planning and Research

To study needs in service to children in relation to the responsibilities and organizational structure of the division. To recommend research projects, to review program plans, to prepare budgets, and to advise on ALSC publications. Priority group consultant, committee chairpersons, and discussion group leaders will review annually the function of each of the committees and make any recommendation necessary to meet the responsibilities of this priority group. To maintain liaison with ALA committees, divisions, round tables, and other ALSC priority groups with common concerns.

Cons., Kathryn McClelland (1996).

Caldecott Medal Calendar

Collections of Children's Books for Adult Research (discussion group)

Grants

Local Arrangements

Membership

National Reading Program

Nominating

Organization and Bylaws

Planning and Budget

Preconference Planning

Publications

Research and Development

Special Collections, National Planning of

Storytelling (discussion group)

PRIORITY GROUP VI--Awards

To nominate or select recipients of the awards based on the award criteria. Priority group consultant and committee chairpersons will review annually the procedures of each of the committees and make any recommendations necessary to meet the responsibilities of this group. To maintain liaison with ALA committees, divisions, round tables, and other ALSC priority groups with common concerns.

Cons., Ruth I. Gordon (1995).

(Mildred L.) Batchelder Award Selection

(Randolph) Caldecott Award Selection

(Andrew) Carnegie Award Selection

(John) Newbery Award Selection

(Laura Ingalls) Wilder Award Selection

COMMITTEES

ALSC/Association of Booksellers for Children (joint)

To consider issues of concern common to both groups in order to

effect change that will benefit both librarians and booksellers who work with children's books.

Co-chs., Carol J. Erdahl (1995) and Mary D. Lankford (1995); Caroline Feller Bauer (1996); Doris J. Crabtree (1996); B. J. Kass (1995); Candace Lynch (1995); John Mason (1995); Barbara A. Maxwell (1995); Linda A. Perkins (1995); Theresa M. Schmitz (1995); Deborah A. Sloan (1995); Jewell K. Stoddard (1995).

ALSC/Macmillan (task force)

To develop terms and criteria for a new award for an author or illustrator lecture. Sponsored by the Macmillan Children's Book Group in Maureen Hayes's name.

Ch., Floyd C. Dickman (1995); Gayle Cole (1995); Janet Irving O'Neal (1995); Kathryn M. Weisman (1995).

ALSC/PLA Children's Services Statistics (joint)

To identify opportunities and methods to improve the collection, dissemination, and use of statistics related to public library service to children; to promote the use of such tools as _Output Measures For Public Library Service To Children;_ to share information with appropriate committees within both divisions (ALSC Research and Development Committee, PLA Services to Children Committee, Public Library Data Service Committee, ALA Office for Research and Statistics, etc).

Ch., Neel Parikh (1996); Clara Nalli Bohrer (1996); Janice M. Del Negro (1996); Mary J. Fellows (1996); Elaine E. Meyers (1995); Connie Pottle (1996).

ALSC/REFORMA Children's Book Award (joint task force)

To develop terms and criteria for a new children's book award to recognize outstanding works written or illustrated by a Latino author or illustrator and which affirm Chicano/Latino/Hispanic ethnicity, heritage, and experiences in the United States.

Co-chs., Sandra Balderrama (1995) and Oralia Garza Cortes (1995); C. Toni Bissessar (1995); Anthony S. Garcia (1995); Lauren L. Mayer (1995); Elissa R. Miller (1995); Linda A. Perkins (1995).

ALSC Distinguished Service Award

To administer an award to recognize an individual who has made a significant contribution to children's services and ALSC.

Ch., Carole D. Fiore (1995); Margery Cuyler (1996); Elizabeth F. Howard (1995).

Arbuthnot Honor Lecture

To choose annually an individual of distinction who shall prepare and present a paper which shall be a significant contribution to the field of children's literature; to select a host institution and make appropriate arrangements for the presentation of the lecture; to arrange for publication of lecture in _Journal of Youth Services in Libraries.

Ch., Patricia J. Cianciolo (1995); Beverly J. Bagan (1995); Glenn E. Estes (1995); Barbara Z. Kiefer (1996); Mary D. Lankford (1995).

(Mildred L.) Batchelder Award Selection, 1995

To select from the books published the preceding year the most outstanding book originally published in a foreign language in a foreign country and subsequently published in English in the United States.

Ch., Linda A. Perkins (1995); Barbara M. Barstow (1995); Dudley B. Carlson (1995); Chrystal C. Jeter (1995); Anitra T. Steele (1995).

(Mildred L.) Batchelder Award Selection, 1996

Ch. and members to be appointed.

(Louise Seaman) Bechtel Fellowship

To select annually up to three (3) librarians, the number to be determined by the income available and the qualifications of the applicants, to be awarded Fellowship(s) in the amount of \$3,750 to read and study at the Baldwin Library of the George A. Smathers Libraries, University of Florida, for a period of at least one month.

Ch., Phyllis K. Kennemer (1995); Marlene K. Lee (1995); Sue

McCleaf Nespeca (1996).

Born to Read National Advisory

To advise and work with the project director on the goals and objectives, the implementation of the program, and the ongoing evaluation of the project.

Hon. ch., Hillary Rodham Clinton (1997); John Y. Cole (Center for the Book, 1997); Julie A. Cummins (1997); Charles Dixon (1997); Emily Fenichel (*Zero to Three*, 1997); Virginia H. Mathews (OLOS, 1997); Maria B. Savadore (1997); William Sciarillo (ACCH, 1997); Mary R. Somerville (PLA, 1997); Ellen M. Stepanian (1997).

Boy Scouts of America (advisory)

To advise the Boy Scouts of America in revising publications; to advise the Boy Scouts of America in selecting media for BSA bibliographies in accord with established criteria; to explore and carry out other kinds of cooperation with the Boy Scouts of America in areas of concern to ALSC.

Ch., Nancy N. DeSalvo (1996); Karen Achille (1995); Elizabeth A. Blatz (1996); Carroll A. Davey (1996); Mary J. Drungil (1996); Terry Morris (1995); Valerie Rowe-Jackson (1995).

(Randolph) Caldecott Award Selection, 1995

To select from the books published the preceding year within the terms, definitions, and criteria governing the awards, the most distinguished American picture book for children.

Ch., Grace W. Ruth (1995); Rosalind Chang (1995); Barbara Jones Clark (1995); Jane Dyer Cook (1995); Sherry Des Enfants (1995); Bessie Condos Tichauer (1995); Virginia Golodetz (1995); Phyllis K. Kennemer (1995); Marlene K. Lee (1995); Elizabeth C. Overmyer (1995); Janice D. Smuda (1995); Kathleen A. Staerkel (1995); John Warren Stewig (1995); Ruth Toor (1995); Phyllis Jeanne Van Orden (1995).

(Randolph) Caldecott Award Selection, 1996

Ch., Julie A. Cummins (1996); Toni A. Bernardi (1996); Linda Abby Fein (1996); Karen G. James (1996); Kathleen F. Odean (1996); Connie C. Rockman (1996); Julie A. Tomlianovich (1996); Maeve

Visser Knoth (1996); 7 mbrs. to be appointed.

Caldecott Medal Calendar, 1996

To recommend illustrations for the Caldecott Medal Calendar to the Executive Director of ALSC. Three recommendations with bibliographic data and annotations should be listed in priority order for the cover and for each month.

Ch., Maria B. Salvadore (1995); 2 mbrs. to be appointed.

(Andrew) Carnegie Award Selection, 1995

To select from the videos produced the preceding year within the terms, definitions, and criteria governing the award, the most distinguished American video for children.

Ch., Debra A. McLeod (1995); Cheri S. Estes (1995); Celia A. Huffman (1995); Monique A. King (1995); Kathy H. Latrobe (1995); Mary Ann Paulin (1995); Rose L. Timmons (1995); Kathleen D. Whalin (1995).

(Andrew) Carnegie Award Selection, 1996

Ch. and mbrs. to be appointed.

Children with Special Needs,

Library Service to

To explore the areas which need to be developed by libraries to meet the needs of materials and library programs for exceptional children, and to explore the ways in which library training programs can prepare librarians in these areas. To offer specific leadership in discovering, developing, and disseminating information about library materials, programs, and facilities for children with special needs, that is, those children who require a modification of customary delivery of library services to meet their needs. To develop and maintain guidelines for selection of materials to such children. To discuss and suggest ways in which library education programs can prepare librarians to serve these children.

Ch., Fay L. Matsunaga (1995); Sherry Des Enfants (1995); Martha M. Edmundson (1996); Charlotte J. Files (1995); Susan H. Galloway

(1995); James E. Massey (1996); Margaret Anne Oettinger (1996).

Computer Software Evaluation

To define and develop guidelines and criteria for the evaluation and selection of computer software and other electronic media such as CD ROM, interactive video, and laser disc. To recommend to the Board a means of publishing and sharing the recommendations made through the application of the selected guidelines and evaluative criteria. To identify and suggest to the Board cooperative projects within and without the American Library Association involving electronic media accessible to children within their homes and libraries.

Ch., Carol A. Doll (1995); Ann H. Cook (1995); A. Jeanie McNamara (1996); Diane P. Monnier (1996); Cecily R. Pilzer (1995); Carol Ann Wilson (1995).

Conference Program--Chicago, 1995

Ch., Virginia McKee (1995).

Econo-Clad Literature Program Award

To select annually the recipient of the ALSC/Econo-Clad Literature Program Award, given to an individual who has developed and implemented a unique and outstanding library program for children involving reading and the use of literature with children.

Ch., Faith J. Brautigam (1995); Margo M. Daniels (1996); Dona Helmer (1996); Ann L. Kalkhoff (1995).

Education

To review the elements considered essential to the initial and continuing education of children's librarians. To explore, evaluate, and make recommendations concerning the current status of professional education in regard to library service to children. To establish a liaison with library educators for conveying recommendations and ideas from ALSC membership in order to preserve the quality of education for librarians who will be working with children. To recommend the initiation of programs to fill identified needs to the Board for implementation. To summarize annually for the Board concerns for library education and continuing education solicited and/or gathered from ALSC

committees and members. To review, as appropriate, the ALSC guidelines for the evaluation of proposals for continuing education programs. To represent ALSC at appropriate ALA committees, councils, and assemblies, and to coordinate the activities of the committee with those of SCOLE.

Ch., Mary J. Fellows (1996); Susan A. Cooper (1995); Carol A. Doll (1996); Leslie Edmonds Holt (1995); Mary-Kay Will (1996).

Film and Video Evaluation

To select, annotate, and present for publication annually a list of notable films, videotapes and videodiscs of interest to children, available for use in homes and libraries, produced in the two calendar years prior to the date of their selection. To reevaluate and to recommend change as needed in the ALSC criteria for notable films, videotapes and videodiscs of interest to children. To identify titles for consideration by other committees evaluating for specific clientele or purpose. To carry on other film and video evaluation projects as assigned by the ALSC Board. To implement the Film and Video Recommendation Policy and Procedures.

Ch., Patricia A. McLaughlin (1995); Jacqueline M. Albers (1995); Mary Rinato Berman (1996); Donna L. Bessant (1996); Carolyn J. Eckert (1995); Melinda Dale Greenblatt (1995); Sharon M. Harvey (1996); Cindy Jones (1996); Jasmine Y. Posey (1995); Elizabeth M. Simmons (1995); Timothy R. Wadham (1996).

Grants

To develop and maintain a listing of possible grants for ALSC projects and committees; to inform membership, through program(s) and/or publications, how to find sources of grant funds, and techniques for writing grant proposals; to assist ALSC Board and committees in locating sources of grant funds for specific purposes; and to provide assistance and advice to ALSC Board and committees considering applying for grant funds.

The Grants Committee and the Research and Development Committee shall meet regularly to discuss issues of mutual concern. At a minimum: (a) Chairpersons and/or the two committees shall meet at least once during Midwinter and Annual Conferences, and (b) the committee chairpersons shall communicate during the year, as appropriate.

Ch. to be appointed; Carolann P. Abramoff (1996); Doris C. Jackson (1996); Rebecca R. James (1996); Effie Lee Morris (1995); Gloria E. Nottingham (1995); Rose Mary Olszewski (1995).

Intellectual Freedom

To serve as a liaison between the division and the ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee and all other groups within the association concerned with intellectual freedom. To advise the division on matters before the Office for Intellectual Freedom and their implication for library service to children and to make recommendations to the ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee for changes in policies involving library service to children; to promote in-service and continuing education programs in the area of intellectual freedom for those who select library materials for children.

Ch., Marian Drabkin (1995); Jill Althage (1996); Eunice A. Lockridge (1995); Amanda C. Lucas (1996); Barbara S. Wortman (1996); Marie Turner Wright (1995).

International Relations

Within the association's field of responsibility, to encourage and facilitate the use of library techniques and knowledge throughout the world; to exchange professional information, ideas, and literature; to act as liaison with international organizations; to have responsibility for the preparation of a biannual bibliography of children's books published in the United States which would reflect the cultural diversity and/or pluralistic nature of the lifestyles and peoples of the U.S.A.; to keep the ALSC Board informed of those projects of ALA which are of international scope and suggest ways in which service to children might be incorporated.

Ch., Sylvia A. Mavrogenes (1996); Raymond W. Barber (1996); Martha L. Clement (1996); Julie A. Corsaro (1995); Margaret L. Kirkpatrick (1995); Jane McNair (1995); Jonathan D. Sundell (1996); Helga B. Visscher (1996); Maureen White (1995).

"Journal of Youth Services in Libraries" Editorial, ALSC/YALSA (interdivisional)

To determine editorial policies for the Journal, subject to review by the joint ALSC/YALSA Boards; to suggest themes for

forthcoming issues; to recommend resource people for articles and reviews; to review material submitted for publication upon request by the editor(s).

Co-chs. and Eds., Donald J. Kenney (1997) and Linda J. Wilson (1997); M. Dorcas Hand (YALSA, 1995); Amy Kellman (ALSC, 1995); Marjorie Lewis (YALSA, 1995); Susan Scheps (ALSC, 1995); Evelyn C. Walker (ALSC, 1996).

"Journal of Youth Services in Libraries" Evaluation, ALSC/YALSA (ad hoc interdivisional)

To design and conduct an evaluation of the referee process for the Journal of Youth Services in Libraries and to provide a report and recommendations for the ALSC and YALSA boards.

Ch., Joan L. Atkinson (1995); Adele M. Fasick (1995); Eugene E. LaFaille (1995); Charles E. Larry (1995); Sara L. Miller (1996); Patsy H. Perritt (1995); Ruth Toor (1995); Caroline Ward (1995).

Legislation

To serve as a channel of communication on legislative matters between the ALA Legislation Committee and the division, recommending to the ALSC Board changes as necessary in federal, state, and local legislation proposed by the ALA Legislation Committee, and advise on ALSC interests in the proposals before ALA Council. To call to the attention of the ALA Legislation Committee and to recommend to the ALSC Board endorsement or revision of legislation affecting children that might be proposed or supported by the ALA Legislation Committee.

Ch., Diana D. Young (1996); Kathryn L. Alleman (1996); Louise A. Howton (1996); Christine Jenkins (1995); Kathy H. Latrobe (1996); Marge Loch-Wouters (1995); Sue Sherif (1995).

Library/Head Start Partnership (task force)

To develop a plan to establish regional institutes based on the Library/Head Start Partnership Project and to report back to the Board of Directors.

Ch., Sue McCleaf Nespeca (1996); Bessie Condos Tichauer (1996); Ellen G. Fader (1996).

Local Arrangements--Chicago, 1995

Ch., Carol A. Tarsitano (1995).

Local Arrangements--New York, 1996

Ch. and mbrs. to be appointed.

Managing Children's Services

To identify issues relating to the management of children's services; to determine if these issues are being addressed by other divisions or committees; to cooperate as appropriate; and to initiate action to address these issues. Issues may be referred to the Committee by the ALSC Board or the Managing Children's Services Discussion Group.

Ch., Janice A. Yee (1995); Berry G. Bateman (1995); R. Randall Enos (1996); B. Allison Gray (1996); Marlene K. Lee (1995); Marie C. Orlando (1995); Cecily R. Pilzer (1996); Wendy G. Ramsey (1996); Deborah A. Sherman (1995); LAMA liaison, Julie Odofin (1995).

Mass Media, Liaison with

To initiate and maintain professional relationships with persons and organizations involved in the production and promotion of films, programs, and materials for children to be disseminated through the mass media. To maintain an active liaison with Action for Children's Television (ACT) and other appropriate groups. To develop and maintain, in the major geographic areas where production of mass media (programs and films) is centered, cadres of ALSC members willing and able to prepare selective bibliographies. To arrange, on request, for these members to develop specific bibliographies on related or specific programs or films in accord with criteria established.

Ch., Jean B. Gaffney (1996); Heather E. Caines (1995); Jos N. Holman (1995); Marina Starr LaTronica (1996); Patricia Latch (1995); Connie Pottle (1996).

Membership

To plan campaigns for recruiting new members for ALSC at the national, state, regional, and local level. To plan and assume responsibility for conference orientation sessions and to welcome

and introduce new members to ALSC purposes and procedures.

Ch., Caroline L. Shepard (1995); Kate A. Galloway (1996); Linda L. Plevak (1996); Celia E. Sorge (1995); William H. Teale (1996); Crystal L. Weirich-Faris (1995); Mary-Kay Will (1995); Deborah L. Wright (1995).

National Organizations Serving the Child, Liaison with

To explore, recommend, initiate, and implement ways of working with other organizations that work with and for children.

Ch., Gail Zachariah (1995); Floyd C. Dickman (1996); JoAnne Foss (1995); Elizabeth A. Long (1996); Katherine Todd (1996); Caroline Ward (1995).

National Reading Program

To work with ALA Graphics to recommend themes and illustrators for the annual national reading program. To develop and write an annual program guide that uses the national theme and contains program ideas, promotional tools, and a bibliography of books and resources. To select annually the recipient of the \$3,000 ALSC/Book Wholesalers Summer Reading Program grant for an outstanding public library summer reading program for children.

Ch., Deborah L. Wright (1996); Sara J. Ashworth (1996); Denise L. Krell (1995); Walter Minkel (1996); Janet Irving O'Neal (1995); Hedra L. P. Peterman (1995); Pamela K. Sandlian (1995); Gaye R. Walter (1995).

(John) Newbery Award, Plan the 75th Anniversary Celebration of the (task force)

To develop a plan to celebrate the 75th Anniversary (1922=97) of the John Newbery Award and to report back to the Board of Directors.

Ch., Caroline Ward (1996); Julie A. Cummins (1996); Suzanne M. Glazer (1996).

(John) Newbery Award Selection, 1995

To select from the books published the preceding year within the terms, definitions, and criteria governing the awards, the most

distinguished contribution to American literature for children.

Ch., Kathleen T. Horning (1995); Carolyn S. Brodie (1995); Mollie B. Bynum (1995); Christine M. Cairo (1995); Constance J. Champlin (1995); Ione S. Cowen (1995); JoAnne Foss (1995); Carla J. Kozak (1995); Marge Loch-Wouters (1995); Joanna R. Long (1995); Penny Peck (1995); Lynne R. Pickens (1995); Ellen M. Riordan (1995); Marion Hanes Rutsch (1995); Judy E. Zuckerman (1995).

(John) Newbery Award Selection, 1996

Ch., Marybeth Dunhouse (1996); Wendy D. Caldiero (1996); Debby S. Gold (1996); Marie C. Orlando (1996); Mary Catherine Peverada (1996); Marilyn P. Phillips (1996); Wendy G. Ramsey (1996); Susan Reisner (1996); 7 mbrs. to be appointed.

Nominating--1995

To select candidates for election for the following year; to select candidates to fill any occurring vacancies.

Ch., Barbara A. Genco (1995); Kate H. Briggs (1995); Marsha L. Cutler (1995); Susan H. Galloway (1995).

Notable Children's Books, 1995

To select, annotate, and present for publication annually the list of notable children's books of the preceding year.

Ch., Judith F. Davie (1995); Nell Colburn (1995); Sandy Kirkpatrick (1995); Carole J. McCollough (1996); Sue W. McGown (1995); John E. Peters (1996); Carol K. Phillips (1996); Amy E. Spaulding (1996); Sally Anne M. Thompson (1995).

Notable Children's Books, 1996

Ch. to be appointed; John E. Peters (1996); Carole J. McCollough (1996); Carol K. Phillips (1996); Amy E. Spaulding (1996).

Oral Record Project Advisory

To establish policies governing Oral Record Project activities in support of the project's purpose as established by the ALSC Board of Directors; to recommend individuals and categories of

individuals to be trained as interviewers/transcribers; to work collegially with the project director and on a regular basis to evaluate his/her work; to receive and approve the annual project work plan and assist the project director in annual budget development, to present that budget to ALSC's Planning and Budget Committee; to report the project's progress annually to the ALSC Board.

Proj. dir., Amy Kellman (1996); ch., Phyllis Jeanne Van Orden (1996); Therese G. Bigelow (1996); Susan Hirschman (1996); Loriene Roy (1996); Henrietta M. Smith (1996).

Organization and Bylaws

To develop for presentation to the Board of Directors a plan for the structure and function of each new committee or discussion group. To study, review, and, if necessary, make recommendations to the Board for revision of structure or function, addition, or discontinuation of committees and discussion groups. To make recommendations to the Board on organizational matters affecting ALSC as a whole, and to serve as liaison with the ALA Committee on Organization upon request of the Board. To serve, upon request, in an advisory capacity to priority group consultants, committees, and discussion groups on organizational matters in ALSC or between ALSC and other ALA divisions. To consider, develop, and present to the Board, and subsequently to membership, suggested amendments to the Bylaws. To assist in interpretation of the Bylaws to the Board, the membership, and the ALA Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

Ch., Kathleen A. Staerckel (1996); Jerianne S. Kladder (1996); Virginia McKee (1995); Kathie L. Meizner (1995); Susan M. Veltfort (1996).

Planning and Budget

To prepare and submit to the ALSC Board an annual budget based on the priorities established by the Board; to review for the ALSC Board division activities for fiscal implications; to review for the ALSC Board, on a regular basis, the dues structure and other income activities of the division; to prepare and submit to the ALSC Board periodic analysis of the finances of the division; to review ALSC's fiscal relationship to ALA and other divisions and to act as liaison for the ALSC Board to the Planning and Budget Assembly.

Ch., Ellen G. Fader (1995); past pres., Ellen M. Stepanian (1995); Toni A. Bernardi (1996); Sara L. Miller (1996); Paula R. Moore (1995).

Preconference Planning, 1995

Ch., Kathy Ann East (1995).

Preschool Services and Parent Education

To recommend action for coordinated community service to early childhood, recommend media lists, and encourage training workshop action programs to get families of young children into closer library involvement. To draw up plans for adult, young adult, and children's departments to work together recruiting and training volunteers to work with small children and books. To initiate activities or projects in these areas appropriate to ALSC's field of responsibility.

Ch., Nan Sturdivant (1995); Viki L. Ash-Geisler (1996); Ann H. Cook (1995); Scott Talbot Lewis (1996); Nora Jane Natke (1995); Letitia A. Wilson (1996); Susan A. Zeigler (1995).

Publications

To provide for continuity and balance in ALSC publications by coordinating and advising on all materials to be formally published by ALSC with the exception of *Journal of Youth Services in Libraries*. To promote and stimulate media of current and continuing interest for ALSC members, and to assist in the expedition of their timely publication. To prepare for Board consideration policies and general guidelines for ALSC publications, including procedures for submission of ideas, preparation of the manuscript, and completion of actual publication process. To establish guidelines for, receive, consider, and advise on all proposals for specific publications for committees, discussion groups, etc., prior to their submission to the ALSC Board of Directors. To develop and present to the Board of Directors proposals for new publications whose need in the ALSC publication program has become apparent. To regularly review previous publications and present proposals to the Board for revision or elimination. To report to the ALSC Board of Directors at each conference on the current status of the ALSC publications program, including projects both projected and in progress.

Ch., Pat R. Scales (1996); Joan L. Atkinson (1995); Theresa M. Borzumato (1995); Laurina Cashin (1996); Carole J. De Jardin (1996).

Putnam & Grosset Group Awards Selection

To select annually, in accord with the terms of the award, four children's librarians who work directly with children, to receive the awards.

Ch., Mary Jane Anderson (1995); Rebecca L. Thomas (1996).

Recording Evaluation

To select, annotate, and present for publication an annual list of notable audio recordings, disc or tape form, of interest to children. To reevaluate and recommend change as needed in the ALSC criteria for selection of recordings of interest to children. To identify titles for consideration by other committees evaluating for a specific clientele or purpose. To carry on other audio recording evaluation projects as assigned by the ALSC Board.

Ch., Susan J. Pine (1995); Kristi Thomas Beavin (1995); Diana Freeman (1996); Jean A. Hatfield (1995); Cindy A. Lombardo (1996); Elizabeth M. Rosen (1995); John Sigwald (1995); Kathy Toon (1996); Lucinda Frances Ware (1996).

Research and Development

To discover areas of library service to children in need of study and development; to devise possible projects in line with the responsibilities of the division that would explore these needs; to serve as liaison to the ALA Research Committee; to evaluate and to recommend research projects to the Board for action.

Ch., Rivkah K. Sass (1995); Roslyn Beitler (1996); Corinne Camarata (1995); Sally Read Dow (1996); Virginia A. Walter (1995); Bernice L. Yesner (1996).

Scholarships: Melcher and Bound to Stay Bound

To select recipients and alternates for the annual ALSC Scholarships: Frederic G. Melcher and Bound to Stay Bound for

professional education of librarians to work with children; to publicize the scholarship to potential candidates; and to advise the ALSC Board on needed changes in terms or administration of the scholarship.

Ch., June S. Level (1995); Adele R. Bennett (1995); Theresa Black Chekon (1995); Carol Hanson Sibley (1996); Lauren L. Wohl (1995).

"Selecting Materials for Children and Young Adults" Revision, ALSC/YALSA (interdivisional task force)

To revise *Selecting Materials for Children and Young Adults* (ALA, 1977) by Midwinter Meeting 1994.

Ch., Kay E. Vandergrift (1995); Maureen A. Connelly (YALSA, 1995); Jane A. Hannigan (1994); Gloria A. Waity (1995).

Selection of Children's Books and Materials from Various Cultures

To encourage the meeting of a variety of language and cultural needs by libraries and librarians serving children. To be responsible for the preparation of bibliographies of books and materials currently available for children in languages other than English, and English-language books originally published in other countries or produced by other cultures. To continue to explore the recommendations for effective acquisitions methods.

Ch., Anne Lundin (1995); Carolyn S. Brodie (1995); Marilyn L. Clark (1996); Linda M. Farmerie (1995); Kathryn A. Jennings (1995); Lucrece Louisdhon (1996); Sylvia A. Mavrogenes (1995); Civia M. Tuteur (1996); Maeve Visser Knoth (1995); Maureen White (1995).

Self-Study (ad hoc)

To consider the issue of an ALSC self-study and to complete such study and report back to the ALSC Board of Directors by Annual Conference 1994, and to monitor the progress of the ALA self-study.

Ch., Phillis M. Wilson (1995); Elizabeth F. Howard (1995); Amy Kellman (1995).

Social Issues in Relation to Materials and Services for Children

To provide a timely response to current social issues affecting children, library services to children, and adults working with children; to determine, in conjunction with the ALSC president and/or ALSC executive director, the immediacy of need and means to disseminate pertinent information to the library community; to prepare bibliographies, background materials and/or program proposals as directed by the ALSC president.

Ch., Judith Campbell Rosenberg (1995); Carol S. Spann (1996); Pamela G. Spencer (1996); Sandra M. Wilkie (1996).

Special Collections, National Planning of

To maintain lists of special collections of children's books now available in libraries; to encourage the creation of new collections and the strengthening of existing collections; to identify types of collections that need to be established; to establish criteria for evaluation of special collections; to explore and suggest ways in which special collections can be used locally, nationally, and internationally.

Ch., Serenna F. Day (1995); Marybeth Dunhouse (1995); Marilyn P. Hollinshead (1995); Karen Nelson Hoyle (1995); Julie A. James (1996); Dolores Blythe Jones (1995); Zena B. Sutherland (1996).

(Laura Ingalls) Wilder Award Selection, 1995

To select the recipient of the Wilder Award, established by ALSC to give recognition each three years to an author or illustrator whose books published in the U.S. have over a period of years made a substantial and lasting contribution to literature for children.

Ch., Letitia A. Wilson (1995); Karen H. Harris (1995); Ronald A. Jobe (1995); Ginny Moore Kruse (1995).

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Collections of Children's Books for Adult Research

To provide a forum for the discussion and study of specific collections of materials for children in terms of their research value.

Conv., Philip Sadler (1995).

Managing Children's Services

To provide a forum for discussion of concerns of ALSC members that relate to managing children's services, to provide an opportunity to share management expertise, and to lend support to children's specialists, especially those new to ALA/ALSC.

Co-convs., Carol K. Phillips (1995) and Carol Ann Wilson (1995).

Preschool Services

To provide a forum for discussion of concerns that relate to preschool services.

Conv. Sue McCleaf Nespeca (1995).

Social Issues

To provide a forum for the discussion of the effect of social issues on library service to children and for the discussions of social issues and concerns as reflected in materials for children; to publicize and invite participation in such discussions so that awareness of such issues may be as broad as possible; to disseminate, with ALSC Board of Directors approval, the outcomes of the discussion of these concerns.

Co-convs., Joanna R. Long (1995) and Anitra T. Steele (1995).

Storytelling

To provide an on-going opportunity for sharing interest(s) in the art of storytelling in all its diversified forms and methods.

Co-convs., Rita Auerbach (1995) and Mary Ann Gilpatrick (1995).

Teachers of Children's Literature

To provide a forum for the identification, investigation, discussion, and dissemination of ideas and information relating to the teaching of children's literature; to recommend to the ALSC Board methods of developing communication and cooperation with other groups of the same or similar interests within and outside of ALA.

Conv., Karen F. Morgan (1995).

REPRESENTATIVES

ALA Annual Conference Program (Chicago, 1995)--Virginia McKee.

ALA Appointments Com.--Therese Bigelow.

ALA Budget & Planning Assembly--Ellen G. Fader.

ALA Fund-Raising Task Force--Therese Bigelow.

ALA Legislative Assembly--to be appointed.

ALA Library Education Assembly--to be appointed.

ALA Library Recruitment Assembly--Mary J. Fellows.

ALA Literacy Assembly--Susan Knorr.

ALA Membership Promotion Task Force--Caroline L. Shepard.

ALA Planning Com.--Ellen G. Fader.

ALA Professional Ethics Com.--Marilyn Berg Iarusso.

ALCTS-CCS Cataloging of Children's Materials--Jean B. Gaffney,
Jane C. Terwillegar.

ASCLA Americans with Disabilities Act Assembly--Ethel N. Ambrose.

ASCLA Com. to Revise the Standards for Libraries at Institutions
for the Mentally Retarded--Marilyn Karrenbrock, Alice M. Shands.

PLA Service to Children Com.--Marilyn Berg Iarusso.

RASD Reference Services for Children and Young Adults--Elizabeth
C. Overmyer.

LIAISONS WITH OTHER NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

4-H Programs Extension Service--Gail Zachariah.

Assn. for Childhood Education International--to be appointed.

Assn. for Children and Adults with Learning Disabilities--Clara
Nalli Bohrer.

Assn. for the Care of Children's Health--Maria B. Salvatore.

Big Brothers and Big Sisters of America--Helen Mae Mullen.

Boy Scouts of America--Nancy N. DeSalvo.

Boys and Girls Clubs of America--Anne M. Smart.

Camp Fire, Inc.--Anitra T. Steele.

The Child Welfare League of America--Ethel N. Ambrose.

Children's Defense Fund--Effie Lee Morris.

Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition--to be appointed.

Council for Exceptional Children--Gail Zachariah.

Freedom to Read Fdn.--Susan Hagen Land.

Girl Scouts of the U.S.A.--Charlotte B. Lesser.

Girls Incorporated--Olga F. Conneen.

International Reading Assn.--JoAnne Foss.

National Assn. for the Education of Young Children--JoAnne Foss.

National Black Child Development Institute--Bettye L. Smith.

National Coalition to Support Sexuality Education (SIECUS)--Harriet S. Selverstone.

Natl. Committee for the Prevention of Child Abuse--Constance Gordon.

National Resource Center for Children in Poverty--Danita R. Nichols.

National Storytelling Assn.--Elizabeth M. Simmons.

Parent Cooperative Preschool International--Blair B. Christolon.

Parents Without Partners--Gail Zachariah.

Puppeteers of America--Frances J. McCurdy.

Reading Is Fundamental--Ethel N. Ambrose.

Salvation Army--Karen L. Harvey.

U.S. Bd. on Books for Young People--Helen Mae Mullen.