

**ALA Council I**  
**Sunday, January 17, 2010**

**10:30am-rd Election: Kevin Reynolds,**

Assistant University Librarian for Learning and Access Services, Jessie the South, Sewanee, TN; **Annemarie Roscello**, Information Literacy Coordinator, College, Paramus, NJ; **Patricia A. Wand**, Dean, Library and Learning Resources, Dhawi, Dhawi and Dubai, United Arab Emirates; and **J. Linda Williams**, Coordinator, Arundel County Public Schools, Annapolis, MD. **Ling Hwey Jeng**, Professor of Library and Information Studies, Texas Woman's University, Denton, TX, was not present.  
(ALA CD#11)

**ADOPTED**, ALA CD#34, Resolution Declaring and Promoting 2010 as the Year of Cataloging Research, which read:

"That the American Library Association promotes 2010 as the Year of Cataloging Research throughout the association, among professors of library and information studies and to other library associations; and acknowledges the importance of outstanding research in the area of cataloging and metadata and declares 2010 as the Year of Cataloging Research."

**ALA Council II**  
**Monday, January 18, 2010, 10:00am-12:15pm**  
**Boston Convention and Exhibition Center, Grand Ballroom**  
**Boston, MA**

**APPROVED**, the FY2011 programmatic priorities (ALA CD#13, FY2011 Programmatic Priorities) for the American Library Association:

- Diversity
- Equitable Access to Information and Library Services
- Education and Lifelong Learning
- Intellectual Freedom
- Advocacy for Libraries and the Profession
- Literacy
- Organizational Excellence

**ADOPTED**, the following eleven (11) action items contained in ALA CD#17, Policy Monitoring Committee (PMC) Report:

**ACTION ITEM 1. Interpretation to the *Library Bill of Rights* regarding Importance of Education to Intellectual Freedom (ALA CD#19.6)**

At the 2009 Annual Conference, Council approved a new interpretation to the *Library Bill of Rights* regarding the importance of education to intellectual freedom. These interpretations are traditionally represented in the Policy manual by means of an abstract, supplied by the originating

committee, followed by a reference to the Policy Reference File, where the full text of the Interpretations reside. New interpretations are inserted in the order they are added.

**PMC MOVES** INSERTION of the following at 53.1.21:

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## **ACTION ITEM 7.2**

**PMC MOVES** revision of 53.1.15 through deletion of "gender identity", and insertion of "gender identity or expression" following "sexual orientation;" through including an amendment date of 2009, and correcting "Current Reference File" to read "Policy Reference File.," so that the policy would now read:

### **53.1.15**

The American Library Association stringently and unequivocally maintains that libraries and librarians have an obligation to resist efforts that systematically exclude materials dealing with any subject matter, including sex, gender identity or expression, or sexual orientation. The Association also encourages librarians to proactively support the First Amendment rights of all library users, regardless of sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression. Adopted 1993, amended 2000, 2004, 2008, 2009.

(*See "Policy Reference File": Access to Library Resources and Services Regardless of Sex, Gender Identity, or Sexual Orientation: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights: revised, 2007-2008 ALA CD#19.2.*)

## **ACTION ITEM 7.3**

**PMC MOVES** revision of 54.3 through insertion of "gender identity or expression" following "sexual orientation," and before "age," so that the policy would now read:

### **54.3 Equal Employment Opportunity**

The American Library Association is committed to equality of opportunity for all library employees

Two policies remain that require revisions to include newer terminology. 7.1.1 Non-Discrimination in

**DELETED**, The third resolved clause of ALA CD#20.1, Resolution on Transparency and Openness in the Federal Government, which read:

"Sends copies of this resolution to President Barack Obama, Peter Orszag, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and other interested parties."

**ADOPTED**, ALA CD#20.1, Resolution on Transparency and Openness in the Federal Government, as amended to read:

"That the American Library Association (ALA) commend(s) the President of the United States and the Office of Management and Budget for improving the federal government's policies and capabilities for making government information available to the American public in an open, timely, participatory and transparent manner, and calls upon the Obama Administration to support federal

***ADOPTED***, ALA CD#18.1, Resolution on Rebuilding Libraries and Archives Damaged or Destroyed by the Earthquake in Haiti, as amended to read:

“That the American Library Association expresses its deepest sympathy to the National Library and Archives and the library community in Haiti; works in coordination with other U.S. Associations, IFLA and its members, and UNESCO on the international response to this disaster; publicizes and provides information to the international library community and the public on the importance of rebuilding damaged libraries and their collections; publicizes and provides information on how and where the library community and the public can contribute to these rebuilding efforts; urges the U.S. Government and Non Government Organizations (NGOs) to provide funding for the reconstruction and rebuilding of libraries and other cultural institutions in Haiti; acts as a conduit for the receipt of funds to assist in the rebuilding of libraries in Haiti; and urges libraries to provide up-to-date information about social and communication services available in the communities for the Haitian diaspora and links to donation and other relief services.”

***REFERRED***