

The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered Round Table (GLBTRT)
Proposed Bylaws Revisions Adopted in American Library Association, Election, 2011

GLBTRT Mission Statement and Bylaws

Note: The following red ~~strikethrough~~ **in bold**

Elections

Round Table officers will be elected annually on the Spring Ballot. Each year the Round Table will elect a Chair. In alternating years the Round Table will elect a Secretary or a Treasurer. In alternating years the Round Table will elect at least one but not all Directors at Large. Every three years and on condition of satisfying ALA policy on membership required for Council representation, the Round Table will elect a Round Table Councilor.

III. MEETINGS

The Round Table must conduct at least one Membership Meeting at the Association's Annual Conference. The Round Table Steering Committee Executive Board shall meet at least twice once at both Annual Conference and Midwinter Meeting. Membership and Steering Committee Executive Board meetings are open to anyone who wishes to attend them.

IV. OFFICERS

Titles and Terms of Office

The Round Table shall elect a Chair, a Secretary, a Treasurer, five Directors at Large, and a Round Table Councilor. The Chair serves a three-year term: in the first year as Chair Elect, in the second year as Chair, in the third year as Immediate Past Chair. The Secretary, Treasurer, and Directors at Large serve two-year terms. The Round Table Councilor serves a three-year term. No person may serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office. If a position is vacated before the completion of the term, the Executive Board shall elect a replacement.

VI. LIAISONS

Establishing liaisons to specific target groups will be encouraged when the relationship appears to be beneficial to the Round Table. The Co-Chairs/Chair will appoint liaisons from the membership to other groups both inside and outside ALA. Liaison terms will be for two years, not to exceed two consecutive terms (four years). Liaison appointments may be for specific projects or ongoing. Reasons for establishing liaisons may include: sharing of information on relevant and common issues, avoiding duplicate programming or publishing, sharing programming and/or publications, avoiding duplication of organizational structures, and providing expert guidance in issues familiar to both groups.

VII. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Disputes over the procedures used in making a decision at a Round Table Membership Meeting