

YALSA Board of Directors Meeting
ALA Annual Conference, Chicago
July 9-15, 2009

Topic: *YAttitudes* Editor Annual Report

Background: The purpose of the newsletter is: 1) to spotlight significant news and events of the organization and its member groups, 2) to publish articles, interviews and other information of current interest to members, 3) to serve as a vehicle for continuing education for YALSA members, and 4) to complement the quarterly print journal *Young Adult Library Services*.

Action Required: Information

- Back to school features
- Friends of YALSA and Leadership Endowment donors recognition
- Reminder about YALSA member awards & grants
- Midwinter prep/features
- YALSA election slate

Additionally:

- We are phasing in a YALSA Member Profile as part of YALSA Voices – featuring members who are using different YALSA resources to serve teens in their libraries, as well as YALSA members who are being honored outside the organization for their work in libraries.
- Timely topics such as the economic crisis and other potential concerns to the membership are being addressed in columns written by YALSA board members
- While we have phased out much of our content written by columnists, we are continuing to get lots of articles from division leadership focused on YALSA events, content, and more.

Upcoming features:

- YALSA's Diversity Taskforce wiki
- Tips for school/public library cooperation from the AASL/ALSC/YALSA joint committee
- New interest groups (will wait to hear of board approval at Annual)