

And whereas Linda Braun, as one of YALSA's leaders, always has dynamic ideas;

And whereas Linda Braun has never been afraid when it comes to taking risks in library services to teens or inspiring others to take risks, as evidenced by her contributions to the well-reviewed *Risky Business: Taking and Managing Risk in Library Services for Teens* (ALA Editions, 2010);

And whereas Linda Braun fearlessly and tirelessly worked to infuse creativity and thinking outside the box in moving YALSA into the 22nd Century;

And whereas Linda W. Braun has made it her priority to raise awareness of YALSA and equip librarians to work in an ever-changing environment as an instructor for YALSA's e-courses, institutes and webinars;

And whereas Linda Braun excelled in identifying and supporting the strengths of YALSA members and encouraging members to expand their horizons and find their niche in YALSA by overseeing the expansion of YALSA's Interest and Discussion Groups;

And whereas Linda Braun has made an extra effort to reach out to students and get them actively engaged in YALSA, through projects such as the Student Interest Group;

Therefore be it resolved on this day of June 28, 2011, that the YALSA Board of Directors expresses gratitude and appreciation and heartily commends Linda Braun for her dedication and loyalty to YALSA, ALA, and teens and wishes her the best of luck in her future endeavors.

Resolution for Francisca Goldsmith

Whereas Francisca served as YALSA's first Board Secretary and set a high bar for future secretaries to aspire to;

And whereas Francisca kept YALSA board meetings on track and ensured that accurate and proper documentation was submitted for board motions and board meetings;

And whereas Francisca tirelessly trained YALSA board members to write down motions before speaking them, thus ensuring intelligible motions;

And whereas Francisca was always supportive in helping new board members create motions;

And whereas Francisca was often the quiet voice of reason during impassioned debates that went off-track;

And whereas Francisca generously offered guidance, encouragement, and support to new board members;

And whereas Francisca has served capably on numerous YALSA committees, including the inaugural Odyssey Award Committee and the YALSA Board of Directors;

And whereas Francisca has been a dedicated member of the YALSA Board and Executive Committee for the past three years, no matter what time zone she was in;

And whereas Francisca has served as the unofficial Executive Committee photographer, documenting Fall Executive Meeting outings;

And whereas Francisca has been a dedicated and responsive liaison to many committees, taking great care to listen to chairs and to bring their concerns to the Board;

And whereas Francisca has demonstrated her loyalty and love for YALSA repeatedly, even to the extent of dying her hair the official YALSA blue;

And whereas Francisca always arrives at YALSA events early and is eager to share the seat next to her with a friend, new or old;

And whereas Francisca has been a tireless advocate for teens and teen services librarians;

Therefore be it resolved on this day of June 28, 2011, that the YALSA Board of Directors expresses gratitude and appreciation, and heartily commends Francisca Goldsmith for her dedication and loyalty to YALSA, ALA, and teens and wishes her the best of luck in her future endeavors.

Resolution for Mary Hastler

Whereas Mary Hastler has been an engaged and energetic Fiscal Officer for YALSA;

And whereas Mary Hastler successfully communicated to Board and association members fiscal realities and options during difficult economic times;

And whereas Mary Hastler served ably on the YALSA Board as Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee prior to election as the association's Fiscal Officer;

And whereas Mary Hastler was a strong liaison to many committees, including the Financial Advancement Committee as they moved into new directions and took on new projects such as the Midwinter Not So Silent Auction;

And whereas Mary Hastler demonstrates patience, professional courtesy, and open mindedness in all Board activities and business;

And whereas Mary Hastler is always willing to ta465()-0.47cB578(e)-16.8804(y)19.0417(i)-2.53658(c)3.15789

And whereas Mary Hastler is always positive, welcoming and friendly to YALSA members;

And whereas Mary Hastler continued in her unswerving dedication to YALSA and to being a leader in the area of young adult services even when her responsibilities at her day job expanded;

And whereas Mary Hastler continues to mentor librarians in order to help them become stronger leaders within YALSA and the library world;

And whereas as a library system administrator Mary Hastler continues to advocate for and support young adult services;

And whereas Mary Hastler has an excellent fashion sense and is always willing to help YALSA members dress for success;

And whereas Mary Hastler was able to continue her Y

And whereas Sharon Rawlins previously distinguished herself for her work at the New Jersey State Library's Talking Book and Braille Center;

And whereas Sharon Rawlins heads up the work of the annual Youth Services Forum Committee in New Jersey;

And whereas Sharon Rawlins plans and organizes the statewide youth services Author Day in partnership with the New Jersey Library Association;

And whereas Sharon Rawlins is responsible for obtaining and supervising numerous grants for the benefit of New Jersey libraries, including one from the Praxair Foundation to implement an online homework help program;

And whereas Sharon Rawlins is the official New Jersey state representative for the Collaborative Summer Reading Program;

And whereas Sharon Rawlins has given her time and talents to YALSA by serving ably on numerous YALSA committees, including the Best Books for Young Adults Committee, the Margaret Edwards Award Committee and the Nominating Committee;

And whereas Sharon Rawlins has been a YALSA member for nearly 15 years, a long time supporter of young adult services and a Friend of YALSA;

And whereas Sharon Rawlins shares her love of books as a blogger on The Hub;

And whereas Sharon Rawlins has been an active and enthusiastic member of the New Jersey Library Association and served on as well as chaired many committees;

And whereas Sharon Rawlins has made strides in bringing together youth consultants from other states through her work as chair of the ASCLA Youth Services Consultants Discussion Group;

And whereas Sharon Rawlins' supervisor says she is "virtually indefatigable in her efforts to help all New Jersey library staff deliver the very best in children's and teen programming;"

Therefore be it resolved on this day of June 28, 2011, that the YALSA Board of Directors expresses gratitude and appreciation, and heartily commends Sharon Rawlins for her dedication and loyalty to New Jersey libraries, YALSA, ALA, and teens and wishes her the best of luck in her future endeavors.