

YALSA Board of Directors Meeting
Conference Call
February 25, 2010

Topic: 2010 – 2011 President’s Theme & Related Programs

Background: Each YALSA President-Elect has the option of choosing a theme to frame the work he or she hopes to accomplish during his/her Presidential year. The purpose of the theme is to generate some activities that support YALSA’s strategic plan and help drive the association forward. At Midwinter Kim Patton provided some information about her proposed theme and possible President’s Program and a Pre-Conference and the matter was further discussed via ALA Connect after Midwinter. The Board will want to review the updated information below as well as additional information Kim provides during the conference call and provide feedback.

Action Required: Discussion

2010 – 2011 Theme

- On the ALA Connect discussion, Board members concurred that a theme related to thinking about the ‘big picture’ would be desirable for 2010 – 2011 and gave some ideas how it could relate to YALSA and the strategic plan as well as what members do in their daily work.
- Board members weren’t sure what the exact phrasing of the theme would be, but some possibilities are:
 - YALSA Thinks Big Picture
 - The Bigger Picture
 - Looking at the Big Picture
 - Thinking Big

Recent past themes:

Theme	Related activities	Year
Risky Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Publish a book about the benefits of risk-taking in YA librarianship• Presidents’ Program	2009 - 2010
Engaging the YALSA Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• YALSA Road Trip• Member survey• Membership drive	2008-2009
Leading the Way	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New strategic plan• Published white papers• Expanded the Board with a Secretary & new at-large position	2007-2008
Still Reading After all	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Taskforces to evaluate YALSA’s portfolio of	2006-

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These Years	selected lists and awards • Established Morris award	2007
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