

Topic: Draft of Updated Board Responsibilities
Item # 5

**YALSA Board of Directors Meeting
Conference Call
4:30 – 6:00 PM (Eastern) August 12, 2008**

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Background: At the 2008 Annual Conference the Board established a subcommittee to review the Board responsibilities as currently stated in YALSA’s Handbook and to make recommendations for updating them. A first draft is provided below.

Action Required: Discussion

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Article IV of the Bylaws of the Young Adult Library Services Association establishes the duties and

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Duties and Responsibilities of Board Members

- Jointly determine current and future programs and activities in accordance with
- YALSA objectives (Bylaws, Article II).
- Jointly determine YALSA policies.
- Attend all regular meetings of the Board are held during the Midwinter Meetings and Annual Conferences of the Association. Meetings may also take place via phone or virtual contact throughout the year as needed .
- Attend the Board Planning Session and the Joint AASL/ALSC/YALSA membership meeting at the Midwinter Conference
- Serve as liaisons to specified YALSA committees as assigned by the YALSA President.
- Informative background materi. 600010plntnd mattaki< mtrnd mt action are posted to the YALSA virtual prescence. Board members must review these items as instructed prior to all Board meetings. It is the responsibility of each Board member to read and digest the information prior to Board meetings, and to be thoroughly prepared to discuss all items at meetings, particular items related to committees and groups to which each Board member is the liaison.
- Be present and seated as Chair of the YALSA Board of Directors at the end of the last Board meeting at Annual.

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- o [YALSA All-Committee Meeting](#)
- o [All Board of Director's Meetings](#)
- o [Joint ALSC/AASL/YALSA Membership Reception \(Midwinter\)](#)
- o [YALSA Membership Meeting](#)
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Subscribe to, monitor and/or participate on appropriate YA library related discussion lists. ¶

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Participate in discussions with other Division Presidents and the ALA

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YALSA 101 Program

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YALSA Board of Director's meetings

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YALSA Executive Committee meetings

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Interact with the ALA

Throughout the conference make the effort to talk to members and listen to any concerns, especially new ones, and make them feel welcome.

Be on the lookout for any members with good leadership potential and encourage them to chair a co

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