

**YALSA Board of Directors Meeting  
Conference Call  
3:30 – 5:00 PM (Eastern) August 25, 2009**

**Topic:** ALA Committee Appointments

**Background:** The ALA Committee on Appointments, which is chaired by the ALA President-Elect and comprised of the Division President-Elects, is in the process of appointing persons to ALA Committees of the Association. Nominees are normally due back to the President-Elect by November (but sooner for the ALA Nominating Committee). Now is a good time to discuss which ALA committees are a priority for YALSA to have representation on and to share possible nominees with Kim.

**Action Required:** Discussion

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**Possible areas of focus for YALSA:**

- *American Libraries* Advisory (the YA columnist in *AL* doesn't seem to have a good grasp of current issues in the field, and there's no YA person on the advisory committee at the moment)
- (Office for) Information Technology Policy Advisory (this group is well connected with policy makers and funders, such as the MacArthur Foundation)
- (Office for) Literacy and Outreach Services Advisory (OLOS is where the Verizon grant on gaming is housed)
- Membership (member engagement and retention is a goal in YALSA's strategic plan)
- Nominating Committee (Sarah Flowers was on this year)
- Orientation, Training and Leadership Development (YALSA wants to do more w/ leadership, so this could be a good fit)
- Research and Statistics (Research is one of YALSA's 5 goals for our strategic plan)
- Rural, Native, and Tribal Libraries of All Kinds (YALSA has a diversity campaign going on)
- Other?