

**YALSA Board of Directors Meeting
February Meeting via Conference Call
February 29, 2008**

Topic: Realigning Programs & Services for New Strategic Plan

Background: Resources may need to be reallocated to other groups and initiatives based on what is designated as a priority for the next 3-5 years in the new strategic plan. A thorough evaluation of the current structure of the association with an eye to what changes need to be made in order to ensure successful implementation of the new strategic plan is a logical next step in the strategic planning process.

Action Required: Discussion

Additional Information:

At the Executive Committee II meeting at Midwinter Executive Committee members expressed concern that new initiatives, member groups, services etc. cannot simply be added on to YALSA's existing portfolio indefinitely and supported the need to evaluate current governance structures, programs, services, etc. to ensure that they are still vital and relevant in light of the new strategic plan.

Merely as a brainstorming exercise, committee members were asked what programs etc. in YALSA had possibly run their course and may not be necessary in light of recent growth and changes to the strategic plan. Suggestions included:

- Do something different w/ YA Galley
- TAGs (make a discussion group)
- PAT
- Booklist TF
- OBCB
- PPYA
- Support Teen Literature Day
- TRW Kick Off Events
- Publishers' Liaison
- SUS
- RAB (Regional Advisory Board)
- FMO (For Members Only part of the web site)
- Outreach (make a discussion group)

The Executive Committee concurred that before key member groups, services, etc. were sunsetted or re-envisioned, that a formal evaluation structure should be put in place and that the Board and committees themselves should have significant input. While final decisions can come from the Board, realigning resources, member groups etc. will not be successful if it is a top down process.