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

Topic: YALS Editor Report

Background: Valerie Ott, the editor of YALS, has provided the Board with a semi-

annual report. The purpose of the journal is: 1) to serve as a vehicle for continuing education for librarians and library workers serving

young adults; 2) to publish articles of current interest to the

profession; 3) to showcase research and best practices in the field; 4) to provide news from related fields; 5) to spotlight significant events of the organization; 6) to offer in-depth reviews of professional literature and resources; and 7) to serve as the official record of the

association.

Action Required:

Journal Development

It is my recommendation that the YALSA Board, YALSA staff, the Editorial Advisory Board, and RoseMary Honnold discuss the results of the member survey to determine what direction *YALS* should head in the future. As discussed at ALA's Annual Conference in Washington, D.C., I sometimes found it difficult to balance the journal's tone since we have always tried to cater to practitioners, as well as academics.