

YALSA Board of Directors Meeting  
ALA Midwinter Meeting, Philadelphia  
January 11-16, 2008

**Topic:** Request for Board Action: White Paper on YA in SLIS

**Background:** At the 2007 Midwinter Meeting, the YALSA Board adopted guidelines for writing white papers as a means of providing the association and its members with an advocacy tool. The first round of white papers is ready to be adopted and it is time to consider if there are any other areas of need in the profession which a white paper could address. The Executive Committee agreed that in part because establishing a closer relationship to schools of library and information science is a strategy in the current strategic plan that the request below was appropriate and necessary.

**Action Required:** Action

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**Request:**

That the Board identify and recruit a qualified member to write a white paper on the importance of including young adult services in graduate programs of library and information sciences, and once the paper is completed to disseminate it to all graduate schools of library and information science and to appropriate organizations such as ALISE.

**Rationale:**

By ensuring that all graduate programs in library and information science incorporated youth services adequately into their curriculums, YALSA wool. spaper a Sa5T8n which a wID 7dLSGua Ar TjT0es a