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- hand, we were able to bring successfully to the Executive Committee, and the Board, a revised payment structure for the new YALSA Blog Manager.
- During the YA Lit Symposium we published video and audio of events and a few of the bloggers posted on their experiences at the Symposium.
- Currently I am working with YALSA staff and several committee chairs to produce a
 series of leadership podcasts. When published, these audio files will provide
 information to committee chairs about program planning, organization and bylaws,
 YALSA finances, etc. The podcasts are under development as a method for providing
 leadership training to chairs.
- We are currently looking for an Audio & Video election blogger. In the past Kelly Czarnecki took on this role. However, since Kelly is running for Board she can no longer participate in the blog in this way. I have a couple of leads on possible bloggers and plan to have someone selected by January 1. In the future we hope to make the election blogging a part of the outgoing Nominating Committee's responsibilities.

We now have a very strong cadre of YALSA bloggers and I appreciate all of the work they do to make the blog what it is. Without their willingness to post on a regular basis, and to post on topics of interest and import to the YALSA community, we would not be as successful as we are. I thank them for their continued work on and support of the blog.

Respectfully submitted,
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