

2024 Annual Conference Council Meeting

IMPLEMENTATION REPORT ON ALA COUNCIL ACTIONS

TAKEN AT THE 2024 LLX Meeting

ALA Policy A.4.2.4 requires the Executive Board or its delegates to report to Council on the status of implementation of motions and resolutions passed by Council during the preceding year. The report shall be entered in the Council minutes.

REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2024 LLX COUNCIL ACTIONS

DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#39, ALA MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Implementation Action: The ALA Council **APPROVED** the following prices for ALA personal dues effective fiscal year 2025; Individual Type 1, \$125; Individual Type II, \$55; Supporter, \$70; Student, \$40.

Response: The new fiscal year will see the implementation of these prices on September 1, 2024.

DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#27, ALA COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION

Implementation Action: The ALA Council **APPROVED** the modification of the ALA Committee on Appointments. The Committee on Appointments is composed of the ALA president-elect (chair) (1) and a president-elect from each of the ALA divisions (8) (*Provided for in Bylaws Article viii, section 2*). The four elected members of the Committee on Committees (Per Bylaws Article xiv, section 5) shall serve as additional ex-officio, voting members of the Committee on Appointments.

Response: The language identifying Committee on Committees (COC) members as ex-officio members of the Committee on Appointments was added to the committee composition description. The Committee on Appointments' charge is to advise the ALA President-elect on ALA standing committee appointments. As the majority of this work occurs annually in the autumn, the next 2024-2025 COC will act in this ex-officio capacity.

DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#18, ALA INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Implementation Action: The ALA Council **APPROVED** Resolution on Damage and Destruction of Libraries and other Cultural Institutions in Gaza

Resolved, that the American Library Association (ALA), on behalf of its members

1. Implores all parties to uphold respect for human rights and dignity in line with international law, ensure access to humanitarian aid, and find a pathway to peace;
2. Deplores the destruction and damage of the Gaza Municipal Library, the Rashid al-Shawa Cultural Center, and other libraries and cultural institutions in Gaza;
3. Calls for the protection of libraries, schools, and other cultural institutions in Gaza and Israel and for both sides of the conflict to uphold the 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict to take all feasible action to safeguard and respect all cultural property;
4. Urges the government of the United States, as well as other governments, intergovernmental organizations, and nongovernmental organizations to provide assistance for the reconstruction and restoration of libraries, schools, and other cultural institutions, including networking and other infrastructure, as soon as it is practicable in Gaza.

Response: The resolution was forwarded to President Biden, Secretary of State Blinken, and Mike Herzog, Israel Ambassador to the U.S. Unfortunately, we have not yet received a response, which is typically the course of action. The final resolution can be found here:

<https://www.ala.org/sites/default/files/2024-05/Resolution%20on%20Damage%20and%20Destruction%20of%20Libraries%20and%20other%20Cultural%20Institutions%20in%20Gaza.pdf>

DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#17, ALA POLICY MONITORING COMMITTEE

Implementation Action: The ALA Council **APPROVED** the amending of ALA Policy Manual A.4.2.3 Council Resolutions: Guidelines and Preparation-#4)

4. ALA & Council Standing Committees are not required to submit their resolutions to the Resolutions Committee. Typically, resolutions from these bodies are included in their committee reports before Council as Action Items. However, they are encouraged to follow the form and content guidelines and share their resolutions with the Council in advance via ALA so that members can thoughtfully engage in discussion on the Council floor.

Response: The approved insertion has been added the ALA Policy Manual found here: <https://www.ala.org/aboutala/governance/policymanual>

DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#25, ALA BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Implementation Action 1: The ALA Council **APPROVED** *Section 6. Council Virtual Participation and Observation* to amend Article VI of the ALA Bylaws by adding a new Section 6 (and renumbering subsequent Sections of the Article) as follows:

Section 6. Council Virtual Participation and Observation. Meetings of the Council shall be conducted in such a manner as to allow for virtual participation by Councilors. Councilors participating virtually will be required to follow instructions communicated in the notice of each meeting which may include, but not be limited to, prior registration. At each meeting, the Council will adopt rules to manage participation by both in-person and virtual participants as appropriate. Virtual observation methods shall be provided to the Association's membership during open portions of meetings."

Response: ALA membership approved the bylaw amendments brought forward by Council and is now in the ALA Bylaws.

<https://www.ala.org/aboutala/governance/constitution/bylaws>

Implementation Action 2: The ALA Council **APPROVED** *Section 5. Executive Board Participation and Observation* to amend Article V of the ALA Bylaws by adding a new Section (and renumbering subsequent Sections of the Article) as follows:

Section 5. Executive Board Participation and Observation. Meetings of the Executive Board shall be conducted in such a manner as to allow for virtual participation by Executive Board members. Board members participating virtually will be required to follow instructions communicated in the notice of each meeting, which may include, but not be limited to, prior registration. At each meeting, the Executive Board will adopt rules to manage participation by both in person and virtual participants as appropriate. Virtual observation methods shall be provided to the Association's membership during open portions of all regularly scheduled meetings and of any additional meetings when scheduling, staffing, and other conditions reasonably allow.

Response: ALA membership approved the bylaw amendments brought forward by Council and is now in the ALA Bylaws. <https://www.ala.org/aboutala/governance/constitution/bylaws>

DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#34, CORE VALUES TASK FORCE

Implementation Action 1: The ALA Council **APPROVED** To move to amend the ALA Policy Manual by striking the current policy and inserting the Core Values of Librarianship, as presented in document CD 34.

Response : The ALA Policy Manual has been updated to reflect the updated Core Values of Librarianship, found here: [B.1 Core Values, Ethics, and Core Competencies \(Old Number 40\) | ALA](#)

Implementation Action 2: The ALA Council **APPROVED** The recommendation of the Core Values Task Force that the ALA Executive Board assign working groups, committees, or round tables to write interpretations for each Core Value.

Response: The Executive Board delegated review of the Core Values Interpretations Working Groups implementation to Board Members Dallas & de Campos Salles. They identified an implementations strategy and recommended members, which the Board approved at the Spring 2024 meeting in closed session.

The five working groups' chairs and members have been appointed and will begin work in June 2024, please see listing below:

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