

2016-2017 ALA CD#21\_11817\_inf  
2017 ALA Midwinter Meeting

American Library Association  
January, 2017 Executive Board Meeting  
Midwinter Conference  
President's Report – Julie Todaro

EDI newly formed group post summer 2016 Annual Final TF report

Task Force progress including:

- Continued work on TF recommendations for work/implementation within ALA
- Programming proposal completed/submitted for digital conference presentation
- Continuing to sell EDI t-shirts
- Disseminates content on EDI issues
- Partnered in design of ALA participation in Atlanta Social Justice Saturday 1/21 march

How do we want to make the case that EDI issues are relevant to libraries?  
How do we embrace or promote EDI when our own incoming presidential administration seems to be openly against it?  
Is the profession moving towards a post-neutral stance?  
Do you think libraries are safe havens? What does that mean going forward for libraries?

ED Search Process

All content turned over to Chair, Courtney Young including job description draft, RFI example from ALA, notes from October Board discussion on committee members. Report from Courtney scheduled for Midwinter Board.

TF on Context for Future Accreditation

See Hepburn report and request for opportunity to revise and turn in by April ALA Board.

Chapter Task Force

Group working, meeting at Midwinter, scheduling conference calls. I am expecting a report from them post their first in-person meeting Midwinter 2017.

Recommendations for ALA Divisional Cooperation

This smaller group will meet on Thursday, 1/19.

Presidential Focus

My Advisory Committee continues to work hard to complete documents to move through the committee and be vetted and then placed on the website. A Town Hall meeting (originally scheduled for Saturday of Midwinter to present speakers, elicit opinion from all types of librarians re: HR content, initiative, etc.) has been rescheduled for summer 6/24.

The Book Club initiative has a number of partners, ongoing content delivery outlined, a preliminary plan for sustainability, an internal PR process owner (Jeff Julian,) and is the focus -cutting.

There are additional "because" statements with a focus on the professional. (Added to the list

in AL for National Library Week, and a growing list of links of people using the expert/Transform focus.

HRDR will be piloting content from the committee, originally planned pre-Midwinter for spring 2017.

The Center for the Future is continuing to work on 21st century librarian "profiles."

The design of content to assist librarians in articulating their value continues with OITP. In addition, 45-115 initiative content will be rolled out to states along with letters to senators, representatives- working with state/chapters and state libraries, etc.

## **Travel and Speaking Engagements**

### **015/2016 - Past**

August 31 September 3rd - ALA Headquarters Orientation/Media Training-Chicago (ALA \$)

September 18-19 - Keynote-TLA District Meeting Lubbock, Texas (ALA \$, TLA \$)

October 9 Keynote- TLA District Meeting, Austin, Texas (no \$)

October 23-25th ALA Fall Executive Board Meeting-Chicago, IL (ALA \$)

November 5-8th Welcome, AASL National Conference, in Columbus, Ohio (ALA \$)

September 12<sup>th</sup> Marquette University  
September 22<sup>nd</sup> - Keynote, Kentucky Library Association (ALA \$) (proposed)  
November 2-4<sup>th</sup> Keynote, NMLA Annual Conference-New Mexico, (ALA \$)  
October 7<sup>th</sup> Texas District 3 Keynote  
October 17<sup>th</sup> San Antonio Area/South Texas School Library Coordinators  
October 19<sup>th</sup> 22 Chicago ALA Board  
October 26<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> Colorado Philanthropic Conference of the Southwest Keynote for considering  
libraries for foundation funding  
October 31-November 1 - Closing Remarks, New Mexico Libraries Transform

Topic: Academic libraries

<https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2016/11/01/librarians-criticize-greta-van-susteren-after-verity-projects-comments>

Christopher Mele

New York Times Nov. 24 (Article published Dec. 8)

Topic: Hate crimes in libraries

*Libraries Become Unexpected Sites of Hate Crimes* **51** *Brirk Tmes*

<https://americanlibrariesmagazine.org/blogs/the-scoop/sharjah-2016-sibf-ala-library-conference/>

*Songwriters say this federal bureaucrat championed*  
Washington Post Nov. 23