A.4.3.18 Subdivision (NEW)

A subdivision is an ALA division or round table.

("Policy Reference File": Committee on Organization Report, ALA CD#27.1, Item#1- Definition of Subdivision. Adopted June 28, 2016)

NOTE TO THE READER:

At the 2016 ALA Annual Conference, the Committee on Organization (COO), ALA CD#27.1, Item#1, recommended and the ALA Council voted to define the word "subdivision" as an ALA division or round table."

At the 2017 ALA Midwinter Meeting, the Policy Monitoring Committee, ALA CD#17, Item #1, recommended and the ALA Council voted to incorporate the definition of the word "subdivision" into the ALA *Policy Manual* as A.4.3.18 to read: "A subdivision is an ALA division or round table."

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 Such groups may admit members who are not members of the division or of the
- state, or local groups interested in the same field of library service or librarianship. Such groups may admit members who are not members of the

In the ALA Policy Manual, policy A.10.3 (Definition of Affiliate), the word subdivision is clearly equated with divisions/ round tables: interests similar to those of the Association or its Divisions/ Round Table which has made successful formal application for affiliate status to Council (national and international group) or Division/ Round Table (local, state or regional groups). No subdivision of the Association may separately affiliate itself with an organization with which ALA as a

Other bodies that might possibly be considered subdivisions are standing committees, chapters, and membership initiative groups (MICs.) However, COO chose not to include them in the definition of

regard to forming affiliate relationships with other organizations. The lack of a formal leadership structure and declared members would make forming and maintaining affiliate relationships difficult, if not impossible.

Resolved, that Council defines the word subdivision as an ALA division or round table.