

September Virtual Council Meeting Minutes

September 3, 2025

ALA President Sam Helmick called the Virtual Special Council meeting to order.

Highlights – AI Policy Working Group

Policy Update – Roundtable Elections (CD #55, Motion #4)

- Amended motion to limit spring ballot roundtable elected positions to president, chair, treasurer, secretary, and council.
- Motion carried (76 Yes; 12 No; 4 Abstain)

Publishing Policy (CD #55, Motion #5)

- Motion to require all ALA Division, Roundtable, and office publications (books and journals) to be published through ALA Publishing and Media.
- Concerns raised about affordability, open access, and journal transitions.
- Motion carried (89 yes, 6 no, 2 abstentions).

AI Policy Working Group Report (CD 30.1)

- Accelerated timeline approved for developing a unified AI policy by March 2026.
- Working group capped at 30 members; roster in progress.
- Units still need to confirm appointees.

CD 55 Motion 4, as amended 76 Yes; 12 No; 4 Abstain- **APPROVED**

To recommend that round table elected positions on the spring ballot be limited to incoming president/chair, treasurer, secretary, and round table councilor

CD #55 Motion 5 89: Yes; 6 No; 2 Abstain- **APPROVED**

To approve the action request to recommend all ALA, division, round table and office publications (including books and journals) are published by ALA Publishing & Media

ALA President Sam Helmick adjourned the Virtual Special Council meeting.