

# **2026 Winter Council Meeting**

## **IMPLEMENTATION REPORT ON ALA COUNCIL ACTIONS**

### **TAKEN AT THE**

### **2025 Annual Conference**

### **And**

### **August and September Special Council Session**

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 2025 ANNUAL ALA-APA-COUNCIL ACTIONS**

### **DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA-APA CD#8, ALA-APA BYLAWS**

**Implementation Action:** The ALA Council **APPROVED** *ALA-APA Bylaws be amended to effect the dissolution of the ALA-APA Council as described in the proposed amendments shared prior to this meeting and pursuant to ALA-APA Bylaws Article X. be adopted (as amended).*

**Response:** This is updated and reflected in the new ALA-APA Bylaws: <https://ala-apa.org/about-ala-apa/governing-documents/bylaws/>

## **REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2025 ANNUAL ALA COUNCIL ACTIONS**

### **DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#27.1, REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION**

**Implementation Action (1):** The ALA Council **APPROVED** discontinuation of the Committee Associate Program.

**Response:** All current associates and committee chairs weren't sent electric notification in August 2025 of the sunsetting of this program from Governance.

All current associates were converted to members. In applicable committees, compositions were updated to reflect the additional two members.

**Implementation Action (2):** The ALA Council **APPROVED** discontinuation of the Planning & Budget Assembly.

**Response:** After sunsetting the PBA at Annual Conference 2025, appointments and elections were not implemented for the 2025-2026 PBA. The few remaining elected individuals were sent an electronic reminder in August 2025. The Committee and Connect space were inactivated in August 2025.

**Implementation Action (3):** The ALA Council **APPROVED** the reunification of the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) and the Young Adult Library Service Association (YALSA).

**Response:** The Second Vote will happen at the next Council Meeting on June 17, 2025.

**DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#44.1, REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

**Implementation Action:** The ALA Council **APPROVED** the ALA Conference Committee requests to extend from the original deadline of 2025 to 2027 for CD#53. This extension will provide the time needed to evaluate the feasibility and financial impact of absorbing the cost of carbon offsets into the cost of doing business for ALA Annual Conference or provide the committee with time to investigate alternative options.

Background: This resolution was passed by Council at Annual Conference in 2021 with the following resolved clauses:

*ALA CD#53 (AC 2021) Resolution to Achieve Carbon Neutrality for ALA Conferences*

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

1. pursues a goal of carbon neutrality for all ALA conferences by the year 2025 and will remain carbon neutral for these events thereafter;
2. delegates to the ALA Council Committee on Sustainability to assist and track progress toward this goal; and
3. encourages all divisions, roundtables, chapters, affiliates, and others who work with the Association to consider adopting similar goals to reduce carbon footprints

**Response:** The conference committee is shifting its attention to the feasibility of carbon neutrality in the coming months and will have a report at the AC26 meeting. Conference Services will actively work with division conferences to enhance sustainability efforts at division level conferences.

**DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#40.1, REPORT OF THE POLICY MANUAL REVISION WORKING GROUP**

**Implementation Action (1):** The ALA Council **APPROVED** The General Revision of *ALA Policy Manual Section A*, dated June 17, 2025.

**Response:** The updated policy has been posted on the ALA website, here:  
<https://www.ala.org/sites/default/files/2025-09/ALA%20Policy%20Manual%20General%20Revision.June%2017%202025%20Draft%20Approved%20by%20Council%2004-Sept-2025%20-%20CD%2055.pdf>

**Implementation Action (2):** The ALA Council **APPROVED** The items below:

**ACTION ITEMS FROM THE  
ALA POLICY MANUAL (APM)  
REVISION WORKING GROUP (RWG)  
REGARDING SPECIFIC SECTIONS OF THE APM**

**JUNE 17, 2025**

1. Chapter 2: RWG recommends that ALA Council direct the ALA Policy Monitoring Committee to migrate the content of previous APM sections A.1.4 (Core Organizational Values), A.1.5 (Key Action Areas), and A.1.6 (Goals and Objectives) to Section B of the APM.

**Response:** The updated policy has been posted on the ALA website, here:  
<https://www.ala.org/sites/default/files/2026-01/Section%20B%20New%20Policy%20Manual-1%20%28REVISED%2011-12-2025%29.pdf>

2. Section 3.5: RWG recommends that ALA Council direct the ALA Membership Committee to develop procedures for suspension and reinstatement of members.

**Response:** The ALA Membership Committee will present procedures to be approved by Council at the Winter 2026 meeting.

3. Section 7.1.1: RWG recommends that ALA Council refer the following to the ALA Code of Conduct and Conference Committees: disambiguation and clarification of multiple “code of conduct”-related policies, web pages, and committee responsibilities.

**Response:** The Code of Conduct Committee will bring forth actions at the 2026 Winter Council Meeting.

4. Section 7.1.4: RWG recommends that ALA Council direct the ALA Conference Services Office/Conference Committee define "ad-hoc groups" clearly and consider a tiered fee structure based on group type.

**Response:** Conference Services, along with the Conference Committee, will focus attention on this recommendation in the immediate future and have a report at AC26.

5. Section 9.3.B: RWG is aware that there are substantial differences between current practice and documented procedures on the ALA Website. The RWG recommends, therefore, that ALA Council ask the ALA Executive Director to have the operational practices documentation updated on the ALA Website as soon as possible.

**Response:** The update is that the ALA staff team is still finalizing the updates and anticipates they will be updated online in late Winter, 2026.

6. Section 10.2: RWG recommends that ALA Council direct the ALA Bylaws Committee to prepare an amendment of Bylaws Article X, Section 2 (Establishment) to change the word "meetings" to "sessions" and to require a separate vote, at two regularly scheduled (not special) Council sessions, the second session being held more than one month after the session in which the initial vote occurs.

**Response:** The proposed amendment will be voted on by the ALA Council during their 2026 January Council Session via the ALA Bylaws Committee Report.

7. Chapter 13: RWG recommends that ALA Council direct the ALA Policy Monitoring Committee to migrate the content of previous APM section A.6.3 (Disaster Aid) to Section B of the APM.

**Response:** The updated policy has been posted on the ALA website, here:

<https://www.ala.org/sites/default/files/2026-01/Section%20B%20New%20Policy%20Manual-1%20%28REVISED%2011-12-2025%29.pdf>

8. Section 15.4.1: RWG recommends that ALA Council direct the ALA Publication Committee to develop guidelines for ALA monograph content, akin to those developed for ALA journal content in the ALA Publication Ethics Guidelines.

**Response:** In progress with a subcommittee goal of a monograph policy ready for a Council vote at the June 2026 ALA Conference.

9. Chapter 17: RWG recommends that ALA Council direct the ALA Awards Committee to compare Chapter 17 of the APM with the ALA Awards Manual to ensure they are in agreement with each other.

**Response:** The Award manual has been updated.

10. Section 19.1: RWG recommends that ALA Council request of the Executive Board for the development of a dissolution policy and/or procedural steps to be taken before a formal motion of dissolution is valid and that these be added to the APM.

**Response:** The proposed dissolution policy will be voted on by the ALA Council during their 2026 January Council Session via the ALA Policy Monitoring Committee Report.

#### **DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#27.1, REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION**

**Implementation Action (4)-SECOND VOTE:** The ALA Council **APPROVED** the reunification of the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) and the Young Adult Library Service Association (YALSA).

**Response:** ALA Council voted to approve the reunification of the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) and the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) after the dissolution of YALSA, effective on August 31, 2026. Since the vote at Annual Conference, the ALSC/YALSA Reunification Working Group was created and consists of member leaders from both divisions. The Working Group is responsible for navigating the reunification process and ensuring a smooth and transparent integration that honors the missions, values, and contributions of both associations.

In October 2025 ALSC and YALSA members were invited to participate in a member survey to determine priority areas that will best address the programming and resource needs of library workers and others serving children and teens. A joint division town hall followed at the end of October to summarize reunification work to-date, share next steps, and provide opportunity to ask questions.

Additionally, ALA, ALSC, and YALSA staff have been identifying the work that will need to be completed to transition from two divisions to one reunited division, including the FY27 budget development, member engagement during and after the reunification, and coordinating changes across internal systems. Committee structures within the reunited division also are being considered as part of the ALA Program Assessment.

In addition to the ongoing work, upcoming activities include a spring town hall and joint division meetings and sessions at ALA Annual Conference to hold in-person opportunities to communicate with members about the reunification, along with ongoing electronic communications.

## DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#12, REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

**Implementation Action:** The ALA Council **APPROVED** the following candidates for the 2025-2026 Council Committee on Committees as follows:

**Ana Elisa de Campos Salles**, District Manager, San Francisco Public Library San Francisco, CA; **Sonnet Ireland**, Director, Washington Parish Library Franklinton, LA; **Gina Kromhout**, YA Librarian, Brooklyn Public Library Brooklyn, NY; **Bradley Kuykendall**, Main Library Manager Dayton Metro Library Dayton, OH; **Tina H. Lerno**, Librarian, The Los Angeles Public Library Los Angeles, CA; **Erika Long**, Chapter Councilor, Tennessee Library Association Nashville, TN; **Kerrie Mierop**, Youth Services Librarian, Calabasas Library Calabasas, CA; **Joseph Thompson**, Director of Public Services, Carroll County Public Library New Windsor, MD.

**Response:** Elected for 2025–2026: Ana Elisa De Campos, Bradley Kuykendal, Erica Long, Joseph Thompson

## DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#30.1, REPORT OF THE ALA INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Implementation Action:** The ALA Council **APPROVED, as amended**, the Resolution Proposing an Artificial Intelligence Cross-Divisional Working Group

1. Create a working group, charged with developing a unified, critically informed ALA position on AI in libraries for council consideration no later than the Annual 2026 conference.
2. refer the attached draft Vision Statement on Artificial Intelligence and Core Values to the cross-divisional working group as a starting point for review and discussion.

**Response:** The Artificial Intelligence Policy Working Group provided the ALA Council with an update at their Special August 2025 Virtual Council Meeting. ALA CD#56 [AI Policy Working Group Update](#)

Per the working group’s timeline, the Artificial Intelligence Policy Document will be submitted to Council for review by March 31, 2026.

## DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#20.1, REPORT OF THE ALA COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION

**Implementation Action:** The ALA Council **APPROVED**, Memorial Resolution Honoring Rep. Raul Grijalva

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

1. Recognizes the significant contributions and accomplishments of Representative Raúl Grijalva on behalf of all libraries and their communities; and
2. Extends its sincerest condolences to his family and friends.

**Response:** Final resolution posted on the ALA website, here:

<https://www.ala.org/sites/default/files/2025-10/Memorial%20Resolution%20Honoring%20Rep.%20Ra%C3%BAI%20Grijalva.pdf>

### **DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#35.1, REPORT OF THE ALA CORE VALUES INTERPRETATION WORKING GROUP**

**Implementation, Action (1):** The ALA Council **APPROVED**, the recommended interpretation provided by Core Values Interpretations Working Group: Access (*Appendix 1*)

**Response:** The updates to the ALA website will be finalized once all interpretations receive approval.

**Implementation, Action (2):** The ALA Council **APPROVED**, the following Interpretations & Extensions as a block:

1. Intellectual Freedom & Privacy (*Appendix 2*)
2. Sustainability (*Appendix 3*)
3. Extend Equity & Public Good until the January 2026 Council meeting (*Appendices 4 & 5*)

**Response:** The updates to the ALA website will be finalized once all interpretations receive approval.

### **DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#19.2, REPORT OF THE ALA INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM COMMITTEE**

**Implementation, Action (1):** The ALA Council **APPROVED** Economic Barriers to Library Access: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (*APPENDIX #7*)

**Implementation, Action (2):** The ALA Council **APPROVED** Access to Resources and Services in the School Library: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (*APPENDIX #13*)

**Implementation, Action (3):** The ALA Council **APPROVED** *Block of Interpretations* (*APPENDICES #15-25*)

- Censorship by Altering Library Resources: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (*APPENDIX #15*)
- Intellectual Freedom Principles for Academic Libraries: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (*APPENDIX #16*)
- Internet Filtering: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (*APPENDIX #17*)
- Library Access and Representation for All Sexes, Gender Identities and Expressions, and Sexual Orientations: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (*APPENDIX #18*)

- Library-Initiated Programs as a Resource: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (APPENDIX #19)
- Meeting Rooms: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (APPENDIX #20)
- Minors and Online Activity: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (APPENDIX #21)
- Politics in American Libraries: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (APPENDIX #22)
- Privacy: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (APPENDIX #23)
- Religion in American Libraries: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (APPENDIX #24)
- Services to People with Disabilities: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (APPENDIX #25)

**Implementation, Action (4):** The ALA Council **APPROVED, as amended** *User-Generated Content in Library Discovery Layers: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights (APPENDIX #26)* (as amended in second paragraph): “...Such [search] features should not be turned on by default. Users should have the option [to enable such features]

**Response:** The approved interpretations have been published on the ALA website.

**DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#51, REPORT OF THE ALA SOCIETAL STATEMENTS WORKING GROUP**

**Implementation Action:** The ALA Council **APPROVED**, to extend the timeline for the Working Group for American Library Association (ALA) Societal Statement Guidelines, bringing a framework for review and voting to the special Council meeting currently proposed for August 2025.

**Response:** Special Council meeting was held on August 27, 2025.

**DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#53, REPORT OF THE ALA STRATEGIC PLAN WORKING GROUP**

**Implementation Action:** The ALA Council **APPROVED, as amended** to Add the following language under Strategic Objectives Advocacy: “2. Expand partnerships with [national and international] aligned organizations...”

**Response:** This updated language was reflected in the ALA Strategic Plan: <https://www.ala.org/Strategic-Plan-2025>; ALA Staff is working on implementation of the ALA Strategic Plan.

## DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#24.1, REPORT OF THE ALA COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL ETHICS

**Implementation Action:** The ALA Council **APPROVED**, The Committee on Professional Ethics moves the adoption of the following action item: “Copyright: An Interpretation of the Code of Ethics”

### Copyright

Article IV of the ALA’s *Code of Ethics* states that library workers “respect intellectual property rights and advocate balance between the interests of information users and rights holders.” In libraries, copyright<sup>1</sup> is the most important part of intellectual-property law. U.S. Copyright law, as established by the U.S. Constitution and the Copyright Act, grants creators rights over their work, but also puts limitations on those rights.

Copyright law was established to encourage people to share their created works by giving them specific exclusive rights such as reproduction, distribution, and public performance.<sup>3</sup> There are limits to those rights, like fair use or the length of copyright term. These limitations are necessary to protect creators’ rights while also preserving freedom of information and freedom of expression.

Copyright and libraries both aim to benefit the public by creating and sharing information and creative works. Copyright law should balance the public’s access to these works with the economic interests of rights holders. Libraries represent the very best of this balance in U.S. copyright law. Libraries are the economic engine of both copyright law and information sharing by spending billions of dollars on copyrighted materials, such as books, journals, movies, art, music, etc. Libraries serve the “use and access” purpose of copyright when users borrow billions of copyrighted items each year.

Libraries have both the opportunity and the duty to maintain this balance. They do this by:

- acquiring information resources;
- curating and preserving cultural heritage;
- offering services and programs that improve access to information; and
- lending books or other resources.

Copyright law gives rights holders the exclusive legal right to:

- make copies of the work;
- create derivative works;
- distribute the work to the public; and
- perform or display the work in public.

Copyright law also gives the public the right to make fair use<sup>4</sup> of copyrighted works. There are also restrictions to the exclusive rights of copyright holders. For example, the First Sale Doctrine allows

the public to borrow, loan, sell, or transfer a purchased, particular copy of a work. The public has unlimited use of the work when the copyright term expires.<sup>5</sup>

Copyright law provides a specific exception for libraries, archives, and nonprofit educational institutions.<sup>6</sup> This exception may allow institutions to:

- make limited copies for users;
- preserve and make replacement copies;

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- create copies for accessibility purposes; and
- perform or display works for educational purposes.

This exception sets boundaries to ensure that libraries can carry out their mission while following copyright law.

Libraries and their parent institutions have a responsibility to promote and maintain policies and procedures that align with their ethical duties, missions, and the law. This includes copyright law. These policies and procedures should carefully weigh legal risks and respect the rights of both copyright holders and users of those copyrighted works. Libraries also need to ensure that all staff know about the copyright laws that impact their library's services.

Library workers serve a critical role in providing copyright information to their communities. They must be informed about copyright updates and understand the law, its purpose, and its relevance to library activities. This includes understanding and analyzing various copyright scenarios, such as fair use and other limitations, with good judgment and strategies to reduce risk.

Library workers should use these skills to identify their rights and the rights of their users. They should do outreach about copyright topics and refer users with questions to reliable resources. However, library workers should avoid providing legal advice. They may provide information about the law and copyright but should recommend users consult an attorney for legal advice.

Library workers should be able to explain to users any restrictions on how they can use content based on digital-licensing agreements that may exceed those covered by copyright law. This includes digital content like e-books, databases and streaming services.

Libraries have a proud history of advocating for the public interest. They recognize that copyright law must balance the rights of creators with the needs of the public. If there is an unfair balance between the rights holders and the public's access to information, library workers should speak up. They should engage with rights holders and legislators to advocate for laws and practices that protect users' right to access information and ensure broad public access to information.

## NOTES

1. Copyright protects “original works of authorship fixed in any tangible medium of expression.” Copyright Act of 1976, 17 U.S.C. § 102 (2011).
2. Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution empowers Congress to pass laws “to promote the Progress of Science and useful Arts, by securing for limited Times to Authors and Inventors the exclusive Right to their respective Writings and Discoveries.”
3. The exclusive rights of a copyright owner include reproduction, the creation of derivative works, distribution, public performance, public display, and the public performance of sound recordings by means of digital audio transmission (Copyright Act of 1976, 17 U.S.C. § 106).
4. Fair use applies when considering these four factors: the purpose and character of the use, the nature of the copyrighted work, the amount and substantiality used, and potential effects on the market for the work (Copyright Act of 1976, 17 U.S.C. § 107).
5. Copyright Act of 1976, 17 U.S.C. § 109.
6. Copyright Act of 1976, 17 U.S.C. § 108.3

**Response:** Subsequent to Council’s approval of the amended Copyright Interpretation of ALA’s Code of Ethics (<https://www.ala.org/tools/ethics/copyright>) on June 30, 2025, the interpretation:

- was updated on ALA’s website, and
- will be published in the 11th edition of the *Intellectual Freedom Manual*, which is forthcoming from ALA Editions.

## DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#45.1, IBPA APPLICATION AFFILIATE REQUEST

**Implementation Action:** The ALA Council **APPROVED**, The Independent Book Publishers Association (IBPA) as an affiliate of the American Library

**Response:** Find the updated listing here: [American Library Association adds Independent Book Publishers Association to professional affiliate roster | ALA](#)

**DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#52, RESOLUTION CALLING FOR INCREASED AWARENESS AND SUPPORT FOR THE MERRITT FUND**

**Implementation Action:** The ALA Council **APPROVED**, the Resolution Calling for Increased Awareness and Support for the Merritt Fund

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

1. Calls on all members and supporters to donate to the Merritt Fund as they are able and encourage their communities to donate as well.
2. Calls on all Chapters, Divisions, Round Tables, and other units of ALA and affiliated organizations to identify ways to encourage fundraising for the Merritt Fund, using the toolkit as needed, and asking their supporters and aligned groups to participate and support library workers facing these extraordinary challenges.
3. Calls on all Chapters, Divisions, Round Tables, and other units of ALA and affiliated organizations to identify ways to increase awareness of the Merritt Fund among their membership, particularly providing information and assistance on how to apply for support from the fund.

**Response:** Final resolution posted on the ALA website, here:

<https://www.ala.org/sites/default/files/2025-10/Resolution%20Calling%20for%20Increased%20Awareness%20and%20Support%20for%20.pdf>

ALA staff work directly with the IFRT Merritt Fund fundraising committee annually to promote the fund. This committee is very active and maintains responsibility for promoting the Fund and guiding activities that staff support. The committee ensures that the Merritt Fund is well represented at ALA events, ALA Affiliate and chapter conferences as well.

The committee coordinates many activities through the Intellectual Freedom Round Table in addition to various collaborations with other round tables.

Here are the downloadables for the Merritt Fund landing page on the ALA website:

<https://www.ala.org/aboutala/affiliates/relatedgroups/merrittfund/merritthumanitarian>

**DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#54, RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF LIBRARIANS COMMEMORATED IN THE “LIBRARIANS WE HAVE LOST” INITIATIVE**

**Implementation Action:** The ALA Council **APPROVED**, the Resolution to Honor the Contributions of Librarians Commemorated in the “Librarians We Have Lost” Initiative

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

1. recognizes the *Librarians We Have Lost* initiative (1976–2026) as an integral part of ALA's Sesquicentennial commemoration; and
2. encourages ALA members, divisions, and affiliates to engage with and contribute to the *Librarians We Have Lost* initiative as part of their own observance of the Sesquicentennial and in honoring the profession's legacy.

**Response:** In October 2025, ALA Staff and the ALA archivist met with Library History Round Table chair Jennifer Bartlett and two members leading the Librarians We Have Lost Initiative. The group then discussed ideas on how to integrate this initiative into the ALA150 work and identified 2 main activities:

- Officially include the Librarians We Have Lost entries in ALA’s archives
- Highlight the Librarians We Have Lost initiative on the ALA 150 blog – the primary content vehicle to celebrate ALA’s 150<sup>th</sup>.

There are continued discussions with ALA and the Library History Round Table as we enter 2026.

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2025 VIRTUAL SPECIAL (AUGUST) ALA COUNCIL ACTIONS**

**DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#51.1, REPORT OF THE ALA WORKING GROUP FOR ALA SOCIETAL STATEMENTS GUIDELINES**

**Implementation Action:** The ALA Council **APPROVED**, The ALA Position Statement Framework developed by the Working Group for ALA Societal Statements Guidelines.

**Response:** This adopted framework will now be used as a tool for ALA when determining when to issue statements.

**DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#55, REPORT OF THE ALA BOARD**

**Implementation Action (1-3):** The ALA Council **APPROVED**, the discontinuation of Forums as a sub-group of divisions; The discontinuation of Discussion Groups as a sub-group of divisions; The aligning all Division Interest Groups as Member-Based

**Response:** This work is well underway and on track to be fully completed by January 23, 2026. The discontinuation of Forums as sub-groups is complete. The other items required communication with non-members, which began this Fall, and we are currently working to recruit all non-members in Interest Groups into ALA and Divisions. The groups will be members only after January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Implementation Action (4):** The ALA Council **POSTPONED**, to approve the action request to recommend aligning the elected Round Table officers with ALA elected officers

**Response:** Special Council meeting was held on September 3, 2025.

**Implementation Action (5):** The ALA Council **POSTPONED**, 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

**Response:** Special Council meeting was held on September 3, 2025.

**REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE  
2025 VIRTUAL SPECIAL (SEPTEMBER) ALA COUNCIL ACTIONS**

**DOCUMENT NUMBER/TITLE OF DOCUMENT: ALA CD#55, REPORT OF THE ALA BOARD**

**Implementation Action (4):** The ALA Council ***APPROVED, as amended***, the recommend aligning the elected Round Table officers with ALA elected officers

**Response:** This has been implemented, and the upcoming Round Table ballots reflect this change.

**Implementation Action (5):** The ALA Council ***APPROVED***, to recommend all ALA, division, round table and office publications (including books and journals) are published by ALA Publishing & Media

**Response:** Centralized publishing is well underway. The ALA staff structure and systems are being analyzed for centralization, and the ALA staff team recently completed a Publishing Retreat to bring key stakeholders together. This will ensure that the quality of published content will not be impacted.