

2008-2009 OLA COMMITTEE PREFERENCE FORM

OPPORTUNITY TO BE INVOLVED IN OLA! Fill out this form, indicating your first, second and third preferences. These forms are used by the OLA President when making committee assignments. Below is information on each of the OLA Standing Committees. Return the form to Oklahoma Library Association, 300 Hardy Drive, Edmond, OK 73013 or FAX: 405-525-5103 by May 2, 2008. You may also e-mail your choices to kboies@sbcglobal.net. Thanks for keeping the association strong!

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OKLAHOMA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

AUDITING – Annually examines the financial records of the Association.

AWARDS – Reviews and considers all requests for honors, awards and citations on behalf of the association and presents recommendations to the Executive Board. Meets usually in the fall, and approximately two months before the Annual Conference. The committee is composed of past OLA presidents, past Distinguished Service Award winners and a member-at-large who has been active in the association.

CAREER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION – Assists in implementing the association's emphasis on developing new librarians and continuing quality educational workshops. Works to develop plans and methods for the recruitment and retention of individuals to the library profession.

CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS – Prepares revisions of the Constitution and Bylaws as the Executive Board and President direct and recommends such amendments or changes it deems necessary to the President and Executive Board. The committee is also responsible for the continuing revision of the OLA Handbook. Meets as necessary and at least 90 days before the Annual Conference.

CONTINUING EDUCATION – Encourages the development of and participation in continuing education programs for the membership of the Oklahoma Library Association. Members serve as consultants to divisions, roundtables and committees planning and implementing workshops, conferences and continuing education programs. Meets several times a year.

ENDOWMENT FUND – Manages the association's endowment fund with approval of the Executive Board and plans fundraising events and activities.

ETHICS – Endeavors to increase the awareness of ethical practices for members of OLA. Meets several times a year.

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM – Responsible for protecting the freedom of individuals to make individual choice of library materials and to bring restrictions in this area to the attention of the Executive Board. Meets on call.

INTERLIBRARY COOPERATION – Serves to further cooperation of all types of libraries in an effort to make Oklahoma library resources readily available and to make libraries aware of resources in the state. Alerts the association to developing trends in interlibrary cooperation.

LEGISLATIVE – Responsible for legislative information with regard to legislation of interest to libraries. Meets each month. It is a very active, working committee and needs members from a variety of types of libraries. Meets monthly.

LONG RANGE PLANNING – Formulates a long range strategic plan for the association, annually reviews the plan and provides an ongoing evaluation of the association.

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS – Responsible for developing and administering a marketing plan to promote libraries, library services and the profession of librarianship within the state of Oklahoma.

MEMBERSHIP – Carries out statewide promotional activities to encourage membership in OLA.

NOMINATING – Selects a slate of candidates for office in accordance with the Bylaws of the association. Meets as necessary. Members are those who have been active in the association and are knowledgeable in the business of the association and its members.

RESOLUTIONS – Reviews and presents resolutions that the President and Executive Board have directed or that have been requested by an active member of the association.

SCHOLARSHIP – Disseminates information about the OLA Scholarship for Graduate Study, seeks and screens applicants and awards scholarships.

SEQUOYAH BOOK AWARD – Administrates the Sequoyah Children's Book Award and the Sequoyah Young Adult Book Award and the guidelines by which the program is developed. Appointments are for three year terms on a rotating basis. Sequoyah committee members must be willing to attend necessary meetings and reading team members are expected to read a minimum of 100 books. Membership is limited to those OLA members who work with books for children (grades 3-6) and/or young adult (grades 6-9).

SITES – Recommends to the Executive Board annual conference sites and dates up to four years in advance. Meets as needed.
