**TO:** PLA Board of Directors

**RE:** Plans for ALA 2020 Midwinter and Council Breakfast

**FROM:** Barb Macikas

**DATE:** October 1, 2019

**ACTION REQUESTED/INFORMATION/REPORT:**

Report

Overview

The PLA Board and most PLA committees will not be meeting at the ALA Midwinter Meeting this January. Some board members (Ramiro Salazar, Stephanie Chase, and Clara Bohrer) will have PLA obligations that will require them to attend Midwinter.

The Board should consider whether or not to continue to host the breakfast for ALA Councilors who are PLA members and/or public library staff at the 2020 Midwinter. PLA staff have requested a meeting room for the event, 8:30-10 am, Monday, January 27.

Pros:

* Continue to develop relationships with ALA Council members
* Opportunity to share PLA positions on SCOE, ALA generally
* Opportunity to showcase PLA initiatives to ALA leadership and to demonstrate PLA contributions to leadership, programming, and ALA finances
* Spend down opportunity

Cons:

* Will we have enough PLA board leadership to facilitate discussions
* Is this the best use of our time and resources?
* Is there a better opportunity?

Attached are the results of the evaluation from the ALA 2019 Annual Conference Councilor breakfast

Attachment

**PLA STRATEGIC GOAL LINK (check all that apply)**

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