**TO:** PLA Board of Directors

**RE:** Preparing for ALA Executive Director Meeting

**DATE:** February 8, 2021

**SUBMITTED** Mary Hirsh, Acting PLA Executive Director

**ACTION REQUESTED/INFORMATION/REPORT:** Discussion

**ACTION REQUESTED BY:** N/A

**DRAFT OF MOTION:** N/A

 ALA Executive Director Tracie Hall will join the March 26th PLA Board meeting. Following PLA engagement with public library councilors, a meeting of division presidents and the ALA executive board, and our publicly stated position on change to the Operating Agreement, Director Hall expressed interest in directly addressing PLA member-leader questions. She has asked PLA to provide its key questions in advance so that she may come prepared for a fruitful conversation.

The PLA Board has the opportunity to set the agenda for this meeting. Some key questions to consider as we determine the best use of time are:

* What are the most important things for Tracie to understand about PLA?
* What are the most important things for PLA to understand about the pivot strategy (attached) and Tracie’s vision for ALA?
* What are the 3-4 key questions to ask her that will get to this information?

Mary Hirsh will coordinate with Director Hall’s office to ensure the board’s goals and questions are communicated and our time at the March meeting is well-used.