

Form D.2, Post-Midwinter Meeting/Annual Conference Committee Report

NOTE: Please use this form during conference to take notes. Submit one copy of the completed report (*electronically*) to the ALSC Executive Director, your priority group consultant, President, and Vice-President/ President Elect within three weeks of the end of the conference.

Please note: Additionally, please upload your report to your ALAConnect committee environment at <http://connect.ala.org> (and mark the document as public), so that your committee and all ALSC members interested in your committee work may access your report. If your committee is a professional or book and media award committee, please **do not** include confidential information in your report.

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Annual Conference Report

Midwinter Meeting Report

Name of Committee: _2012 Pura Belpré Award Selection Committee_____

Priority Group Area and Number: ___VI (Awards)_____

Priority Group Consultant: _Judy Zuckerman_____

Committee Chair: _Jamie Campbell Naidoo_____ Date: _7-19-11_____

Members Attending:

- ★ Jamie Campbell Naidoo (Chair)
- ★ Carling Febry
- ★ Amanda Louise Sharpe
- ★ Henrietta M. Smith
- ★ Francisco (Luis) Vargas
- ★ Daisy Gutierrez
- ★ Rebecca Alcalá

Members Absent: *(Please note any unexcused absences regarding meeting attendance in a separate email to the ALSC President, ALSC Executive Director, and your Priority Group Consultant; please also note that media evaluation and award committee attendance is mandatory during both the Annual Conference following the first Midwinter and the Midwinter Meeting at which the selections are made):*

NONE

Guests:

Denise Woltering Vargas
Program Manager Educational and Community Programs
Stone Center for Latin American Studies - Tulane University
Member of the 2011-2012 Américas Award Committee

Judy Zuckerman
ALSC Priority Group Consultant

Summarize Committee discussion, any decisions reached, and follow-up action needed, including suggestions for future programs or publications based on the committee's work.

We reviewed the charge of the committee, mandatory meetings, importance of confidentiality, nominations process, and list of submissions received. I highlighted key points and sections from the Pura Belpré Awards Manual. We also learned about cultural authenticity in Latino children's literature as well as tips for being on a Latino children's book awards committee from Denise Woltering Vargas.

I addressed concerns about the lack of titles received and the committee met our new priority consultant Judy Zuckerman. Finally, we discussed the current committee helping out at the 2011 Belpre Celebracion in preparation for OUR 2012 event.

How did the Committee's activities since the last conference and during this conference help to achieve your objectives and meet the timetable set by the Committee?

This was our first official committee meeting. Our activities accomplished the goal of getting members acquainted with each other and the exciting work ahead. We also practiced presenting books using the CCBC guidelines, which will be useful during the selection Midwinter (2012).

How have the Committee's activities since the last conference support and further ALSC's Strategic Plan? Specifically, after each relevant goal area and objective below, describe how your activities contributed to the strategic plan.

Goal Area: Advocacy

ALSC will promote and advance excellent library service for all children.

Objective 1: Increase awareness of the value of excellent library service for all children.

(EXAMPLE: The second phase of the Kids!@ your library public awareness campaign was launched on X date. The launch included a variety of materials and resources [x, y, z] available for free for members to use with their community.)

Objective 2: Increase ALSC involvement in ALA legislative initiatives.

Objective 3: Increase funding for research and evaluation.

Objective 4: Increase access to library services.

Goal Area: Education

ALSC will strengthen, support, and advance research and education in the area of library services to children.

Objective 1: Enhance continuing education opportunities for children's librarians, youth service staff, and other internal and external stakeholders.

Objective 2: Increase research and evaluation projects in the area of children's library service.

Objective 3: Continue to advocate for the inclusion of comprehensive coursework in children's literacy and children's library service courses in graduate and undergraduate programs.

Objective 4: Increase the number and diversity of people who choose library service for children as a profession.

Goal Area: Collaboration

ALSC will work collaboratively within ALA, the profession, and the wider community to ensure excellent library service for all children.

Objective 1: Increase the effectiveness of ALSC's current collaborative efforts.

The Belpré committee is a joint venture between ALSC and REFORMA. Our continued successful work with members from both ALSC and REFORMA serving on the committee strengthens this collaborative relationship.

Objective 2: Increase opportunities to work in coalition with other related groups.

The continued success of the Belpré collaboration exemplifies that ALSC and REFORMA can work well together on other ventures related to Latino children's literature and library services to Latino and Spanish-speaking children. This has led to collaboration on initiatives such as Día.

Objective 3: Increase public awareness of the value of library service to children.

What problems did you encounter? What were the highlights of the committee meeting(s)?

Problems: We did not encounter any problems except for a room change on day 2 that was not communicated to us. We waited about 15 minutes before I was eventually reassigned another room.

Highlights: Getting reacquainted and meeting committee members absent from the first meeting at midwinter that was not required.

What are your objectives and timetable for work to do between now and the next conference?

The committee will continue reading and critically evaluating eligible titles for the 2012 Award and will make new suggestions of titles to consider in August-December. I will maintain contact with the committee on a frequent basis to keep them apprised of titles received from publishers. Nominations will be due in October and December. In January 2012, we'll be choosing our winners. Members of the committee will be assigned specific titles to bring with them and to present to the committee at Midwinter 2012.

If you have recommendations for changes in your committee structure or charge, please describe in detail by filling out a Form K. Submit the completed form to the ALSC President, Priority Group Consultant, Organization and Bylaws co-chairs, and ALSC Executive Director.

If you have any committee activity or issues that require Board action, please complete a Board of Directors Action Form.

Jamie Campbell Naidoo (electronic signature)

7/19/11

Signature of person reporting

date