

Addendum to Intellectual Freedom Committee Report LLX ALA CD#19

Review and Feedback of Core Values Taskforce Report

The Intellectual Freedom Committee (IFC) respectfully requests that ALA Council delay voting on the Core Values Taskforce Report LLX CD #34 until it has been formally presented to all Divisions, Round Tables, and ALA committees for review and formal input.

The ALA Core Values are important guiding principles for librarianship and the ALA community. With that in mind, we want to ensure that review and analysis of changes to these values are reviewed in the fullest manner for the benefit of ALA. The IFC is a Committee of Council that is tasked with providing advice to Council on matters intellectual freedom but also documents that implicate and encompass intellectual freedom. We hope that in this instance and certainly in this climate we as a library association would want to have the full review of its community.

We appreciate that the taskforce reached broadly and elicited the input of many people in our membership to provide input about the core values. However, those members did so as individuals and not as representatives of IFC. Once the document passed that threshold, the committee had the understanding that a final draft would be presented to all of the Divisions, Round Tables, and ALA committees for a final opportunity to review and provide input. IFC does not perceive an urgency for the ALA Core Values to be changed at this time, therefore, the committee respectfully requests that the vote be delayed until there has been formal presentation and input from all parties as aforementioned.

Action requested from Councilors is to cast their vote to: (if applicable)

The Intellectual Freedom Committee respectfully requests the American Library Association Council delay voting on the Core Values Taskforce Report LLX Council Document #34, until after Divisions, Round Tables, and ALA Committees have formally been contacted and had an opportunity to provide review and input.

ACTION REQUESTED BY: (add committee name)

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