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Report to ALA Council Policy Monitoring Committee 2021 ALA Midwinter Meeting

In accordance with Policy A.4.2.6 of the ALA *Policy Manual*, the Policy Monitoring Committee (PMC) has reviewed all actions taken by the ALA Council during the 2020 calendar year for possible incorporation into, addition to, or changes to the ALA *Policy Manual*.

Based on Council actions at the Annual Virtual Conference the Committee has no Policy Manual updates to report.

Policy Manual Review

Work of this Committee in this area was completed in October with a 19-page document delivered to Marsha Burgess representing a complete review of the Policy Manual as it currently exists in PDF and Web form, comparing the two, and indicating the differences in context.

In some cases, printing a new PDF version will remedy disparities between the two. In others, the web version will need to be updated. At the end of this process, we can be assured that whatever changes we are called upon to make based on the work of Council, will be made from a document that is consistent across the print and web versions.

Council Member Training

The Committee has halted development of training documents introducing Councilors to the Policy Manual until more is known about the implementation of SCOE recommendations. We believe a clear and accessible Policy Manual is critical to our understanding of the Association and the development of timely and impactful resolutions and look forward to the creation of training for current and incoming Councilors once the role and maintenance of the Policy Manual in the proposed governance structure is determined.

In Conclusion

The Committee would like to thank President Julius C. Jefferson, Jr. for his guidance, as well as staff liaison, Marsha Burgess, for her knowledge sharing, patience, and cheerful, ready assistance with our work!

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