**TO:** PLA Board of Directors

**FROM:** Megan Stewart, Program Coordinator

**RE:** PLA 2019 Election Results

**DATE:** April 26, 2019

**ACTION REQUESTED/INFORMATION/REPORT:** Information

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In 2019, six nominees stood for three positions: PLA President-elect and two Directors-at-Large.

Based on results, the composition of the PLA board in 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 are below. Newly-elected members are in italics. In 2019, 1,589 votes were cast for the PLA election. This compares to 2,256 votes cast in 2018.

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| **POSITION** | **2018-2019** | **2019-2020** |
| President | Monique le Conge Ziesenhenne, PhD | Ramiro S. Salazar |
| President-elect | Ramiro S. Salazar | *Michelle Jeske* |
| Past President | Pam Sandlian Smith | Monique le Conge Ziesenhenne, PhD |
| Directors at Large | Through 6/30/2019:  Richard Kong  Tracy R. Strobel  Through 6/30/2020:  Michelle Jeske\*  Carrie Willson  Through 6/30/2021:  Cindy Fesemyer  Kelvin Watson | Through 6/30/2020:  Michelle Jeske\*  Carrie Willson  Through 6/30/2021:  Cindy Fesemyer  Kelvin Watson  Through 6/30/2022:  *Toby Greenwalt*  *Amita Lonial* |
| ALA Division Councilor | Stephanie Chase (to 6/30/2020) | Stephanie Chase (to 6/30/2020) |

\*Due to the election of Michelle Jeske to the office of President-elect, the PLA Board of Directors must elect a person from among the membership to fill and complete Michelle’s vacated Director-at-Large position. This person will serve a one-year term beginning July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. For more information on this process, please see document no. 2019.100)

PLA thanks candidates for President-elect Manya Shorr and Directors-at-Large Jason Kucsma and Meaghan O'Connor for standing for election.

Thanks too to the 2019 Nominating Committee: Felton Thomas, Jr., chair, and members Grant C. Lynch and Larry Neal.

PLA past president Pam Sandlian Smith is chair of the 2020 Nominating Committee.

Also, PLA’s ballot initiative to add an 11th position to the PLA board passed. The position of PLA Fiscal Officer is appointed for a three-year term by the immediate past president. Pam Smith has appointed Clara Bohrer to serve. Per the terms of the new policy, Clara will serve as chair of PLA Budget & Finance Committee and attend ALA finance meetings as PLA’s representative.