

SCHOOL LIBRARIES ROUNDTABLE

December 2014: TLA Board of Directors and the TLA Executive Committee assigned liaison responsibility between TLA and TASL (TN Association of School Librarians) to the School Libraries Roundtable.

Constitution and Bylaws

- Article I. Name**
The name of this organization shall be the School Libraries Roundtable of the Tennessee Library Association (TLA).
- Article II. Purpose**
The purposes of this organization shall be to encourage the professional growth and development of Tennessee school librarians, and to promote further cooperation between librarians, school administrators, classroom teachers, and other persons interested in the school programs, and to further strengthen school library services in Tennessee.
- Article III. Membership**
Any person who is a member of TLA and actively engaged in school library work may become a member of the School Libraries Roundtable. Any other person holding membership in TLA may become a member of this organization by indicating same to the TLA President and/or the Membership Committee Chair.
- Article IV. Officers**
- Section 1.**
The elected officers of this organization shall be a Chair, a Chair-Elect, and a Secretary-Reporter.
- Section 2.**
There shall be an Executive Committee composed of the elected officers and the immediate Past Chair.
- Section 3.**
The Chair shall preside at all regular meetings of the organization and all Executive Committee meetings. Since the Chair is the Tennessee Councilor of the American Association of School Librarians by virtue of office, he/she shall attend meetings of that body or appoint a representative.
- Section 4.**
The Chair-Elect shall perform the duties of the Chair when that officer cannot be present. It shall also be the duty of the Chair-Elect to arrange the program for the annual meeting. The Chair-Elect shall automatically become Chair following his/her term of office.
- Section 5.**
The Chair should communicate with the appropriate person(s) in the Tennessee Education Association to assure that there are no conflicts in meeting times or other goals and objectives of the two groups.
- Section 6.** The Secretary-reporter shall keep the minutes of all meetings and record same.
- Section 7.**
No member shall be eligible to hold office who has not been a member of the organization for one year.
- Section 8.**
No members shall hold office more than twice in succession. Filling an unexpired term shall be considered as a term in office. The Chair shall recommend appointments to fill unexpired terms, with the approval of the Executive Committee,

- Article V. Meetings**
Section 1.
The organization shall have one regular meeting each year to be held at the same time of the TLA Annual Conference.
Section 2.
Special meetings may be called by the Chair, with the consent of the Executive Committee. At least two weeks' notice shall be given of special meetings, and only business mentioned in the call shall be transacted.
- Article VI. Amendments**
This constitution may be amended by two-thirds vote of members present at any annual meeting. Proposed amendments shall be approved by the Executive Committee and distributed at the registration desk at the annual meeting.

Bylaws

- Article I. Elections**
Section 1.
Election of officers shall take place at the annual meeting of the organization.
Section 2.
A majority of members present shall constitute election.
- Article II. Committees**
Section 1.
The Chair shall appoint a Nominating Committee composed of three members from each of the three grand divisions, who shall present to the organization at the annual meeting, one name for each office, after which nominations from the floor may be in order.
Section 2.
The Chair shall be empowered to appoint other committees as necessary at any time or on the majority vote of the members at any meeting, shall appoint committees as they direct.
- Article III. Suspension of Bylaws**
These Bylaws may be suspended in case of emergency by unanimous vote of all members at a meeting.
- Article IV. Order of Business**
Business shall be conducted according to *Robert's Rules of Order*, most recently revised.
- Article V. Award**
The Executive Committee shall be responsible for the administration of the Louis Meredith School Library Media Service Award. This responsibility includes selection of the judges and the publicity concerning the award. The judges shall be selected on a statewide basis.
- Article VI.**
The School Libraries Roundtable shall be responsible for serving as a liaison between TLA and the Tennessee Association for School Librarians (TASL). The Executive Committee shall be responsible for ensuring that at least one representative of the School Libraries Roundtable attends meeting for both the TLA Advisory Council and TASL.

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to Roundtable