

WYOMING LIBRARY ASSOCIATION  
THE CHILDREN=S AND YOUNG ADULT LIBRARY SECTION  
BY-LAWS -  
Adopted May 2004

**ARTICLE I - NAME**

Sec. 1. The name of this body shall be the Children=s and Young Adult Library Section of the Wyoming Library Association.

**ARTICLE II - PURPOSE**

Sec. 1. The purpose of the Children=s and Young Adult (CYA) Library Section shall be to promote library service to children and young adults in the State of Wyoming, to work for continued improvement of these services in Wyoming and to be of assistance to young adult and children=s librarians, and to strive for further improvement of the profession of librarianship.

**ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP**

Sec. 1. Any person or institution engaged or interested in children=s and young adult library work may become a member of the Section upon the payment of dues provided for in the By-Laws of the Wyoming Library Association and qualifies in a membership classification as defined in the Constitution of the Association.

**ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS**

Sec. 1. The officers of the Section shall be a Chair, a Vice-Chair, and a Secretary. They shall be elected annually and assume the administration of the affairs of the Section immediately following the annual business meeting of the Wyoming Library Association during an Executive Board meeting attended by both the incoming and outgoing Section Chair.

Sec. 2. The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the Section and the Section officers. He/She shall serve as an ex-officio member of all Section committees. He/She shall serve as a member of the Executive Board of the Wyoming Library Association.

Sec. 3. The Vice-Chair shall preside at all meetings of the Section and Section officers and attend the Wyoming Library Association Executive Board Meetings in the absence of the Chair. The Vice-Chair shall represent the Children=s Young Adult Section at the Program Council convention planning meetings.

Sec. 4. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Section. The minutes will be distributed by email to members and made available at the section meetings. The secretary shall submit minutes of all meetings to the Wyoming Library Association homepage for publishing and send a copy to the Albany County Library for inclusion in the history of Wyoming Library Association.

Sec. 5. If an officer cannot complete a term of office, the remaining officers shall select a replacement for the vacancy until the next general section meeting.

Sec. 6. **Nomination and Election**

A nominating committee, consisting of the past chair the current chairs and chair-elect shall prepare a written slate of nominees for the office of vice chairperson and secretary. The retiring section chairperson shall chair the nominating committee and make a report at the spring section meeting.

## **ARTICLE V - MEETINGS**

Sec. 1. The Section may create sections of special interest when necessary.

Sec. 2. To promote library activities in geographical areas of the State, the Section may designate one person residing in an area to serve in a liaison capacity among Sections thereby becoming a member of an area committee to foster library development, arrange meetings, and recommend library programs for a geographical area.

Sec. 3. Committees may be appointed by the Chair of the Section.

## **ARTICLE VI - FINANCES**

Sec. 1. Section finances shall be handled by the Executive Secretary of the Wyoming Library Association.

## **ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS OF THE BY-LAWS**

Sec. 1. By-laws may be adopted and amended by vote of the majority of the members voting at any business meeting, provided that specific notice of any change has been given in the call for the meeting at least ten days prior to that meeting. Any BY-LAWS may be suspended by vote of the majority of those present at the meeting.

## **ARTICLE VIII - DISSOLUTION OF THE SECTION**

Sec. 1. The Section may be dissolved by action of the members of the Wyoming Library Association at an annual business meeting upon recommendation of the Executive Board, when notice had been given prior to the meeting, or by the Section itself which shall notify the Executive board of this action.