

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM

The Committee consists of five members, including its Chair(s), and all are appointed by the Vice President/President-Elect by June 1st prior to his/her taking office as President.

Duties:

- Work with the Legislation Committee to watch proposed legislation at the various levels which would restrict or interfere with the selection, acquisition, or other professional activities of libraries.
- Attempt to eliminate restrictions which are imposed on the use or selection of library materials or selections judgments, procedures, or administrative practices of libraries.
- Encourage all libraries to develop a written statement of policy for internet use.
- Receive reports on cases or violation of the rights of Tennessee library users; investigate cases where intellectual freedom has been curtailed and make recommendations to the Executive Committee for possible action where it appears necessary.
- Maintain contact with the Intellectual Freedom Committee of ALA.
- Coordinate the selection of the recipient of the TLA Intellectual Freedom Award. (See: Honors and Awards Committee description.)
- The Chair(s) shall attend all TLA Board of Directors meetings and shall submit quarterly reports on activities and an annual evaluative written report to the membership at the final Board of Directors meeting for the fiscal year.