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JANUARY 21 – 24, 2022



Sustainability
ROUND TABLE

Membership Meeting

Thursday, January 20, 2022 12 pm CST

AN AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION PRODUCTION

Current Steering Committee

Coordinator:	Lisa Kropp
Coordinator-Elect:	Tina Chan
Past Coordinator:	Casey Conlin
ALA Councilor:	Matthew Bollerman
Treasurer:	Marcia Bailey
Secretary:	Jennifer Washburn

Member-at-Large:	Vivienne Byrd
Member-at-Large:	Eric Tans

ALA Executive Board liaison: Christina Rodriques
ALA Staff liaison: Danielle Ponton



Committee Chairs & Co-Chairs

Advocacy and Awareness:

Mandi Goodsett & Jen Ferriss

Awards:

Jennifer Washburn & Kelsey Flynn

Membership:

Britt Fagerheim

Online Education and Programming: Uta Hussong-Christian & Sarah Gluck

Publicity and Outreach:

Beth South

Sustainability Resources:

Angele DeNeve

Website Liaisons:

Christina Mayberry & Alex Dryden



Treasurer's Report

FY 2021	Projected	Actual
Total Revenues	3000	3917
Total Expenses	553	502
Net Revenue/Expenses	2448	3415
Ending Net Assets		\$17,753

Upcoming Events

- **SustainRT Program @ LibLearnX**

Sustainability 101 for Libraries: Digging into the Triple Bottom Line: Saturday, January 22 at 2:30-2:45pm CST + live Q&A

Sustainable Thinking Builds Strong Libraries and Resilient Communities: Sunday, January 23 at 12:30 pm CST

Women in Leadership and Climate Change: Sunday, January 23 at 3:30 pm CST



SustainRT Councilor Update

On Monday, June 28, 2021 ALA Council passed the Resolution to Achieve Carbon Neutrality for ALA Conferences. It resolved to:

1. pursues a goal of carbon neutrality for all ALA conferences by the year 2025 and will remain carbon neutral for these events thereafter;
2. delegates to the ALA Council Committee on Sustainability to assist and track progress toward this goal; and
3. encourages all divisions, roundtables, chapters, affiliates, and others who work with the Association to consider adopting similar goals to reduce carbon footprints.

The Council Sustainability Committee is working to implement this resolution along with ALA staff at various departments.

SustainRT Major Highlights

- Website refresh task force
- Roundtable Coordinating Assembly
- Council Committee on Sustainability

Joint statement to ALA Education Committee regarding the inclusion of sustainability in the revisions of the core competencies

- Libraries & Sustainability: Programs and Practices for Community Impact chapters co-authored by SustainRT members

SustainRT Committee Updates

Public Advocacy and Awareness

Jennifer Ferriss, co-chair

Mandi Goodsett, co-chair

Lisa Ancelet

Evan Meszaros

Laura Ploenzke

Sarah Tribelhorn

Heather Tuck-Macalla

- Created working groups to align with Strategic Plan Goals
- Met with ALA Endowment Trustees - Over 42% of ALA's portfolio is invested in Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) funds
- Created a centralized spreadsheet to collect and track contact information for Divisions in regards to publications and conferences and the adoption of the sustainability pledge, Resolution on the Importance of Sustainable Libraries as well as vendor sustainability practices at conference.



SustainRT Committee Updates

- Awards

Jenn Washburn, Kelsey Flynn and Casey Conlin



Citation for Wellness in the Workplace
ala.org/rt/sustainrt/wellness-award



Diversity in Sustainability Conference Stipend
ala.org/rt/sustainrt/diversity-award



SustainRT Committee Updates

Britt Fagerheim (chair)

Jamie Conklin

Brian Thompson

Beth Filar Williams

Kate Wingate

Richard Wade

Marcia Bailey (Liaison)

- Membership

- SustainRT membership has increased 6.63% from last year (to 1,351 members) as of July 2021
- Mentorship program continuing
- New member scholarship program being finalized

SustainRT Committee Updates

Uta Hussong-Christian (co-chair)
Sarah Gluck (co-chair)
Sara Joyce Hrachovy || Kelly Kreps
Tara Lingg || Kristin Mastel
Kelsey Molseed || Rachel Sperling

- Online Education and Programming

- working to highlight social and economic sustainability in the 2021-22 programming
- 2 webinars offered to date; 3 more coming, <https://www.ala.org/rt/sustainrt/events-0>
- ShopTalk session at LibLearnX
- ALA Annual Chair's Session speaker booked



SustainRT Committee Updates

Beth South (chair)
August Smith
Irina Holden
Karie Schulenberg

- Publicity and Outreach

You can see our social media posts at
<https://linktr.ee/sustainRT>

You can also follow SustainRT on Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter.



SustainRT Committee Updates

Angele DeNeve (chair)

Laurie Aycock

Clay Daetwyler

Kacper Jarecki

Jen Ripka

Rachel Sperling

- Sustainability Resources

- **Zotero database:** Help add to our library policies and job descriptions containing sustainable practices, speaker's bureau and our cultural competency resources.

[SustainRT Zotero Library: Suggest resources | Round Tables \(ala.org\)](#)

- **2022 Top 10 Sustainability-Themed children's books coming in March!**

Just in time for Earth Day programs and events.

Take a peek at last year's list in the link below.

[TOP 10 SUSTAINABILITY THEMED CHILDREN'S BOOKS 2021.pdf - Google Drive](#)



Get Involved with SustainRT!

- Fill out the ALA [volunteer form](#) and join one of our committees (log into ALA, scroll to the bottom and click the “committees” link. When you access the form, choose SustainRT to get a list of our committees)
- [Contribute](#) to our Zotero Database
- Write a guest blog post about sustainability in your workplace



Questions or Suggestions?

Thank You for Attending!

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