

Leadership Taskforce - final update

Now that the Leadership Committee is official, the Leadership Taskforce is ready to take some final steps as a taskforce to segue into the Committee.

- Current OLA President Candice Watkins has asked Leadership Taskforce member, Elaine Hirsch, to be the chair of the new Leadership Committee. Elaine has accepted that role and will begin her duties September 1, 2015.
- The Leadership Preconference at the OLA Conference was sold out with names on a waiting list. According to the preconference evaluations, the training was well received with participants expressing interest in more trainings like this one but longer in length a multi-day training.
- In an effort to identify sustainable funding for a multi-day training, the Leadership TF as it transitions into the Leadership Committee will focus on the following efforts:
 - Develop a detailed draft budget for a multi-day leadership training including both revenues and expenditures;
 - Identify a development professional to provide an initial assessment of funding opportunities and assist with grant writing, to be presented to the OLA board for approval. The chair of the Leadership Committee, Elaine Hirsch, will request the funding for this contracted support in the upcoming OLA budget
- OLA Leads the Leadership Taskforce likes the idea of providing mentors for the scholarship recipients in the OLA Leads program, should the program be approved by the OLA Board.
- WLA The Leadership Committee will continue to work with WLA on leadership development opportunities