

**American Library Association
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Report of Julius C. Jefferson Jr. President-elect**

The first six months of my service as ALA President Elect has been focused on orientation staffing ALA committees participation in meetings and speaking engagements and focusing on the Presidential goals and messaging for the upcoming year

Orientation

- I attended two full days of meetings with ALA staff including participating in media training with outstanding communication and media coaching
- The orientation was also an opportunity to meet new ALA staff I was able to meet and interact with the Director of Membership Development and the Director of Communications and Marketing Membership and Communications are both vital to the future success and sustainability of ALA

Staffing

- A primary responsibility of the President elect is to make appointments for ALA committees and Council committees The President elect is ably assisted by the Committee on Committees who are members of Council elected by Council and the Committee on Appointments who consists of the Presidents elect of the divisions The first responsibility of the Committee on Appointments is to assemble a Nominating Committee that will prepare a slate of candidates for President elect and at large Council seats The division Presidents elects participated actively in this process by

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