

NORTH CAROLINA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Women in Libraries Roundtable
BYLAWS

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ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be Women in Libraries Round Table of the North Carolina Library Association (WILR).

ARTICLE II. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this organization shall be:

Section 1. To unite in this group North Carolina Library Association members from all types of libraries who work with or are interested in women in libraries;

Section 2. To provide a forum for a discussion of the concerns of women in librarianship and how these concerns affect the profession as a whole;

Section 3. To provide for exchange of information among all components of the North Carolina Library Association with the goal of increasing understanding of current issues affecting women within the profession;

Section 4. To advocate for women in libraries by influencing policy and decision making;

Section 5. To present programs and provide mentoring and networking opportunities;

Section 6. To seek to fulfill the objectives of the North Carolina Library Association.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERS

Members of the North Carolina Library Association who state a preference for this Round Table at or after the time of payment of the Association dues shall become members.

ARTICLE IV. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall consist of Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary-Treasurer, Past Chair, and two or more Directors. The Executive Committee shall be elected-at-the-regular biennial-meeting and shall serve for a two-year term. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of WILR and shall have the power to act on administrative business of the Round Table in the intervals between biennial meetings.

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

Section 1. The regular meeting shall be held at the biennial meeting of the North Carolina Library Association.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called at the direction of the Chair, the Executive Committee, or upon written request that is signed by 15 members and delivered to the WILR Executive Committee.

Section 3. A quorum for the transaction of the business of the Round Table shall consist of membership present and/or via email responses.

ARTICLE VI. ELECTIONS

Section 1. The Chair shall appoint a Nominating Committee who will present the name of one candidate for each elective office, consent being secured from the nominees. Any member or members of the Round Table may present a candidate or candidates for the elective offices of this Round Table provided (a) that they notify the Chair of the Round Table of such action, in writing and (b) that the consent of the nominee has been secured and so indicated on the notification.

Section 2. A majority vote of those attending a regular meeting shall constitute election.

ARTICLE VII. SPECIAL DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The Chair shall, with the Executive Committee, appoint such committees and define their duties as may be necessary to carry on the work of the Round Table.

Section 2. The Chair of the Round Table shall serve as an ex officio member on all committees. The Chair shall also serve as Chair of the Executive Committee. The Chair shall also represent the Round Table on the North Carolina Library Association Executive Board.

Section 3. New committees may be created and old committees discontinued by the Executive Committee provided that such action is not contrary to the wishes of the membership of the Round Table as expressed at the most recent meeting of the Round Table.

Section 4. The Chair-Elect shall be elected to office, and shall assume the responsibilities and perform the duties of the Chair in the event of absence, death, disability or resignation of the Chair. She shall serve as Chair during the two years following her term as Chair-Elect. The Chair-Elect is responsible for program planning for the Round Table at the biennial conference.

Section 5. The Secretary shall perform the duties normally accepted for such office.

Section 6. In the event of absence, death, disability or resignation of any officer during the interval between biennial meetings, the Executive Committee shall fill such vacancy or vacancies by the appointment of a member(s) to the office(s). Such appointment(s) shall remain in force until the next biennial election.

ARTICLE VIII. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Section 1. Robert's Rules of Order, latest edition, shall be the governing authority in any matter not specifically covered by these bylaws.

Section 2. Nothing in these bylaws shall conflict with the Constitution and Bylaws of the North Carolina Library Association.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a meeting called in accordance with the bylaws of the Round Table or by an official ballot, paper or electronic, provided that (1) the request for such action shall be submitted to the Executive Committee in writing and signed by 15 members of the Round Table, (2) the result of the returned ballots be not less than 25 percent of the membership of the Round Table and (3) two-thirds of the returned ballots shall be in the affirmative.