**ALA Councilor Report for Virginia Library Association, April 21, 2022**

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1. **Meetings Attended by ALA Councilor since last report**
   1. Virtual January Council (used to be known as MidWinter)
      1. Virtual ALA Council I Meeting Highlights (full minutes not available yet)
         1. Voted to adopt virtual council rules, hybrid attendance will be available in the future when conferences/meetings are in-person
         2. Committee Reports
      2. Virtual ALA Council II Meeting Highlights (full minutes not available yet)
         1. Committee on Organization (ALA CD#27), voted to establish Coretta Scott King Book Awards Round Table, Revise the ALA Publishing Committee Charge, Dissolve Staff Organizations Round Table, Dissolve Library Support Staff Interests Round Table, Create Library Support Staff Round Table
      3. Virtual ALA Council III Meeting Highlights (full minutes not available yet)
         1. Voted to simplify membership model to be implemented in 2024 (see CD #44 for details)
         2. Committee on Diversity: Adopted DEI Scorecard as a primary means for ALA’s measures for DEI (CD #14)
   2. Virtual March Council Meeting, March 10, 2022
      1. Items discussed and voted on:

* Resolution to Support School and Youth Services Librarians Facing Increased Intellectual Freedom Challenges (unanimously passed)
* Resolution to Promote EDI Efforts in AASL While Addressing Historical Effects of Racism (passed, I voted yes)
* Resolution Calling on the US Executive Branch to Drop Espionage Act Charges Against Julian Assange (did not pass, I voted no)
* Transforming ALA Governance (passed, I voted yes): This is the first step to moving toward changing the organizational structure. The most discussed point of concern was that this moves ALA Council to an advisory body to an elected executive committee instead of a decision-making body.

1. **Upcoming Meetings**
   1. ALA Annual Council Meetings, June 2022

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