

Membership and Mentoring Committee

Purpose: To maintain and expand the membership of the Association representing all of the constituent states. Organize the mentoring program for SELA Membership which supports all members as they develop their skills within the profession and Association.

Composition: This committee is composed of a committee chair (sometimes co-chairs) and members from the general SELA Membership. The committee chair or co-chairs is/are appointed by the President.

Duties:

1. To recruit membership in the Southeastern Library Association.
2. To prepare promotional materials as they may be needed from time to time in campaigns for membership.
3. To coordinate the scheduling and recruitment of volunteers at the SELA Table for the annual conferences of the Association.
4. To arrange for and exhibit Southeastern Library Association membership materials at annual conferences of the Association.
5. To organize the Mentoring Program.
6. To recruit mentors and mentees for the Mentoring Program.
7. To oversee the currency and correctness of the information on the Membership Page.

History: This has apparently been an active committee since 1950, when a letter from Dorothy Crosland, Acting Executive Secretary, stated, "For the first time in its history SELA has a membership roll with annual dues. The TVA... contract signed with SELA cannot be fulfilled. In order to proceed with our plans, we need members." Until 1960, it was membership chairs in the states who handled both association memberships. Its mission was originally stated, "to increase individual and other membership by direct method, personal approach, or other methods," and to publish the statistics periodically.