Committees and Commissions

These lists include only the names of those persons who had accepted appointment at press time. Updated listings are available at the MLA Web site (www.mla.org/governance/committees). For prior years, consult the May 1984 issue and previous Directory issues of *PMLA*. Except where noted, all members of committees and commissions are appointed by the Executive Council.

PMLA Editorial Board (2-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Makes final decisions on acceptance of articles for* PMLA.

STAFF LIAISON: *Judy Goulding*

Robert L. Caserio, 2009–11
Lutz Koepnick, 2009–11
Lawrence D. Kritzman, 2008–10
Agnes Lugo-Ortiz, 2009–11
Adam Potkay, 2008–10
Ralph E. Rodriguez, 2008–10
Patricia Yaeger, Editor, 2006–11

PMLA Advisory Committee (3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Reports on articles submitted for publication in* PMLA.

STAFF LIAISON: *Judy Goulding*

Brian James Baer, 2007–10
Rita Barnard, 2009–12
James P. Bednarz, 2009–12
Janet Beizer, 2009–12
Nina Berman, 2007–10
Don H. Bialostosky, 2008–11
John Bishop, 2008–11
Stephen Burt, 2009–12
Glenda R. Carpio, 2009–12
Jane Chance, 2009–12
Myriam J. A. Chancy, 2009–12
Tom Conley, 2007–10
Stuart Day, 2009–12
Gaurav Desai, 2008–11
Helen Deutsch, 2007–10
Robert Richmond Ellis, 2008–11
Ana Paula Ferreira, 2007–10
María Antonia Garcés, 2008–11
Aníbal González-Pérez, 2008–11
David J. Gorman, 2009–12
Marshall Grossman, 2008–11
Edward M. Gunn, 2009–12
Susan Elizabeth Gustafson, 2007–10
Jacqueline Labbe, 2009–12
Barbara Ladd, 2008–11
Joseph Litvak, 2007–10
Christopher Looby, 2007–10
Kristine Miller, 2009–12
Haruko Momma, 2007–10
Dana D. Nelson, 2007–10
Margaret Noori, 2008–11
Gabriela Nouzeilles, 2008–11
Thomas Pepper, 2007–10
Masood A. Raja, 2009–12
Krista Ratcliffe, 2008–11
John Paul Riquelme, 2008–11
Kenneth M. Roemer, 2007–10
David Román, 2007–10
Sylvie Romanowski, 2008–11
Margaret Rosenthal, 2007–10
Lawrence R. Schehr, 2008–11
Gordon Teskey, 2008–11
Cynthia Wall, 2009–12
Lynda Zwinger, 2009–12

Profession Advisory Committee (2-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Reports on articles submitted for publication in* Profession.

STAFF LIAISON: *Carol Zuses*

Katherine Arens, 2009–10
Amy Kaminsky, 2008–09
Margaret J. Marshall, 2009–10
David R. Shumway, 2009

Publications Committee (3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Reviews and authorizes the nonperiodical publications of the association; develops and assesses policies affecting the publications program and its acquisition plans and priorities; evaluates the fiscal implications of publication decisions.*

STAFF LIAISON: *David G. Nicholls*

Bradin Cormack, 2008–11
Susan C. Jarratt, 2009–12
Irene Kacandes, 2008–10
E. Ann Kaplan, 2007–10
Alan Nadel, 2009–12
Elaine Savory, 2008–11
Shu-mei Shih, 2007–10; 2009–10 (Ch.)
Richard Terdiman, 2008–11
Lawrence Venuti, 2009–12

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Texts and Translations Series Editorial Board (appointed by the Publications Committee)

FUNCTION: *Over a period of three years, will identify projects in Arabic language and literature for the series. Solicits and selects proposals for books, helps develop projects, and reviews all prospectuses and manuscripts that are forwarded to the Publications Committee for final approval.*

STAFF LIAISON: *David G. Nicholls*

Samer Mahdy Ali, 2009–12
Bassam K. Frangieh, 2009–12
Michelle Hartman, 2009–12
Saree Makdisi, 2009–12 (Ch.)

Committee on Scholarly Editions (4-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Serves as a clearinghouse for information about scholarly editing and editorial projects; offers advice and consultation to editors on request; honors excellence in editing by awarding emblems to qualified volumes; promotes dissemination of reliable texts for classroom use and among general readers.*

STAFF LIAISON: *David G. Nicholls*

Matthew Bailey, 2006–10
Jennifer Crewe, 2007–11
Donald R. Dickson, 2005–10; 2008–10 (Coch.)
David F. Hult, 2008–11
Steven E. Jones, 2009–13
John D. Niles, 2007–11; 2009–11 (Coch.)
Robin G. Schulze, 2008–12
Bruce R. Smith, 2006–10
Marta L. Werner, 2008–12

Committee on the New Variorum Edition of Shakespeare (4-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Sets policy and exercises broad control of the New Variorum Shakespeare project, under which New Variorum editions of Shakespeare's works are published by the association.*

STAFF LIAISON: *David G. Nicholls*

Michael J. C. Echeruo, 2007–11; 2008–11 (Ch.)
James L. Harner, 2007–11
Richard A. J. Knowles, 1992– (ex officio)
Jeffrey Masten, 2006–10
Lena Cowen Orlin, 2006–10
James R. Siemon, 2008–12
Valerie Wayne, 2008–12
Paul Werstine, 1997– (ex officio)
W. B. Worthen, 2008–12

Committee on Honors and Awards (3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Oversees the procedures that result in the nomination and determination of those receiving MLA honors and awards. Reviews proposals for honorary members and fellows.*

STAFF LIAISONS: *Rosemary G. Feal and Douglas Steward*

Tom Conley, 2009–12
Rita Copeland, 2009–12
Madhu Dubey, 2008–11
Rita Felski, 2007–10; 2009–10 (Ch.)
Jonathan Freedman, 2007–10
Mark Reynolds, 2007–10
Sherry Simon, 2008–11
H. Jay Siskin, 2008–11

William Riley Parker Prize Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects the winner of the prize for an outstanding article published in* PMLA *during the preceding academic year.*

Elaine C. Freedgood, 2009–11
Rubén Gallo, 2008–10; 2009 (Ch.)
Julia Reinhard Lupton, 2009–11
Mildred P. Mortimer, 2007–09
Jennifer Summit, 2008–10

James Russell Lowell Prize Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 2-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects the winner of the prize for an outstanding book published by a member of the Modern Language Association during the previous year.*

Wai Chee Dimock, 2008–09; 2009 (Ch.)
Claudia L. Johnson, 2009–10
Martin Puchner, 2009–10
Tilottama Rajan, 2008–09
Marguerite Rowland Waller, 2009–10

Modern Language Association Prize for a First Book Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 2-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects the winner of the prize for an outstanding scholarly work published during the previous year as the first book-length publication by a current member of the Modern Language Association.*

Vilashini Cooppan, 2009–10
James F. English, 2009–10
Jody Greene, 2008–09; 2009 (Ch.)
Jeffrey Spencer Shoulson, 2009–10
Raymond L. Williams, 2008–09

Howard R. Marraro Prize Selection Committee (appointed by the president; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects, every second year, the winner of the prize for a distinguished scholarly study by a member of the Modern Language Association on any phase of Italian literature or comparative literature involving Italian.*

Valerio C. Ferme, 2009–11
Ellen V. Nerenberg, 2007–09; 2009 (Ch.)
Jane Tylus, 2008–10

Kenneth W. Mildenberger Prize Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects the winner of the prize for an outstanding scholarly book in the field of language, culture, literacy, or literature with strong application to the teaching of languages other than English.*

Gwendolyn Barnes-Karol, 2009–11

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Elizabeth Bernhardt, 2008–10
Diane W. Birckbichler, 2007–09; 2009 (Ch.)

Mina P. Shaughnessy Prize Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects the winner of the prize for an outstanding scholarly book in the fields of language, culture, literacy, or literature with strong application to the teaching of English.*

Anis Bawarshi, 2009–11
Patricia Bizzell, 2008–10; 2009 (Ch.)
Patricia Harkin, 2006–09

Modern Language Association Prize for Independent Scholars Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 3-year-terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects the winner of the prize for distinguished published research by an independent scholar in the fields of modern languages and literatures, including English.*

Crystal Lynn Bartolovich, 2009–11
Lou Charnon-Deutsch, 2009
Malva E. Filer, 2007–09; 2009 (Ch.)
Julie Rak, 2007–09
Lois Parkinson Zamora, 2008–10

Morton N. Cohen Award for a Distinguished Edition of Letters Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 4-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects, every second year, the winner of the award for a distinguished edition of letters.*

Virginia Jackson, 2008–11
Mary Beth Rose, 2006–09
Frank C. Shuffelton, 2006–09; 2008–09 (Ch.)

Katherine Singer Kovacs Prize Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects the winner of the prize for an outstanding book published in English in the field of Latin American and Spanish literatures and cultures.*

Josiah Blackmore, 2009–11
Luisa Elena Delgado, 2009–11
Claire F. Fox, 2008–10
Naomi Lindstrom, 2008–10; 2009 (Ch.)
Elisa Martí-López, 2009–11

Aldo and Jeanne Scaglione Prize for Comparative Literary Studies Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects the winner of the prize for an outstanding scholarly work by a member of the Modern Language Association in the field of comparative literary studies that involves at least two literatures.*

Nicholas Mainey Brown, 2009–11
Rita Copeland, 2007–09
Alessia Ricciardi, 2008–10; 2009 (Ch.)

Aldo and Jeanne Scaglione Prize for French and Francophone Studies Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects the winner of the prize for an outstanding scholarly work by a member of the Modern Language Association in the field of French or francophone linguistic or literary studies.*

Françoise Lionnet, 2008–10; 2009 (Ch.)
Elisabeth M. Mudimbe-Boyi, 2009–11
Peter T. Starr, 2009–11

Aldo and Jeanne Scaglione Prize for Studies in Germanic Languages and Literatures Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 4-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects, every second year, the winner of the prize for an outstanding scholarly work by a member of the Modern Language Association on the linguistics or literatures of the Germanic languages.*

Jonathan M. Hess, 2007–10
Jane Ogden Newman, 2009–12
Laurence Rickels, 2007–10; 2009–10 (Ch.)

Aldo and Jeanne Scaglione Prize for a Translation of a Literary Work Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects, every second year, the winner of the prize for an outstanding translation into English of a book-length literary work.*

Jane Chance, 2007–09; 2009 (Ch.)
Barbara J. T. Godard, 2009–11
Elizabeth Rosa Horan, 2009–11
Fabienne Moore, 2008–10
Kathleen Ann Ross, 2008–10

Aldo and Jeanne Scaglione Prize for a Translation of a Scholarly Study of Literature Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 4-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects, every second year, the winner of the prize for an outstanding translation into English of a book-length work of literary history, literary criticism, philology, or literary theory.*

Jacques Lezra, 2006–09; 2008–09 (Ch.)
John McGowan, 2008–11
Gustavo Pellon, 2007–09

Aldo and Jeanne Scaglione Prize for Studies in Slavic Languages and Literatures Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 4-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects, every second year, the winner of the prize for an outstanding scholarly work by a member of the Modern Language Association on the linguistics or literatures of the Slavic languages.*

Gabriella Safran, 2007–09

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Barry Scherr, 2006–09; 2008–09 (Ch.)
William Mills Todd III, 2008–11

Modern Language Association Prize for a Distinguished Scholarly Edition Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 4-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects, every second year, the winner of the prize for a distinguished scholarly edition.*

April Alliston, 2008–11
David F. Hult, 2008–11
Leah S. Marcus, 2009 (Ch.)

Aldo and Jeanne Scaglione Prize for Italian Studies Selection Committee (appointed by the president; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects, every second year, the winner of the prize for an outstanding scholarly work by a member of the Modern Language Association on any phase of Italian literature or culture or comparative literature involving Italian.*

Valerio C. Ferme, 2009–11
Ellen V. Nerenberg, 2007–09; 2009 (Ch.)
Jane Tylus, 2008–10

Modern Language Association Prize for a Distinguished Bibliography Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 4-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects, every second year, the winner of the prize for a distinguished bibliography.*

Jacques Neefs, 2009–12
L. Teresa Valdivieso, 2008–10; 2009–10 (Ch.)

Lois Roth Award Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects, every second year, the winner of the award for an outstanding translation into English of a book-length literary work.*

Jane Chance, 2007–09; 2009 (Ch.)
Barbara J. T. Godard, 2009–11
Elizabeth Rosa Horan, 2009–11
Fabienne Moore, 2008–10
Kathleen Ann Ross, 2008–10

Aldo and Jeanne Scaglione Publication Award for a Manuscript in Italian Literary Studies Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects the recipients of publication subvention awards for manuscripts in Italian literary studies.*

Millicent Marcus, 2008–10
Robin Pickering-Iazzi, 2008–10; 2009 (Ch.)
Mark F. Pietralunga, 2009–11

Fenia and Yaakov Leviant Memorial Prize in Yiddish Studies Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 4-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects, every second year and in an alternating fashion, the winner of the prize for an outstanding English translation of a Yiddish literary work or for an outstanding scholarly work in the field of Yiddish (e.g., a cultural study, a critical biography).*

Marc Caplan, 2009–12
Kathryn Hellerstein, 2009–10
Joseph C. Landis, 2007–10

William Sanders Scarborough Prize Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects the winner of the prize for an outstanding scholarly work in the field of black American life and letters.*

James J. Davis, 2009–11
Meta DuEwa Jones, 2008–10; 2009 (Ch.)
Robert S. Levine, 2009–11

Modern Language Association Prize in United States Latina and Latino and Chicana and Chicano Literary and Cultural Studies Selection Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Selects the winner of the prize for an outstanding scholarly study in any language of United States Latina and Latino or Chicana and Chicano literature or culture by a member of the Modern Language Association.*

Alicia Arrizón, 2008–10; 2009 (Ch.)
Chon A. Noriega, 2008–10
María Josefina Saldaña, 2009–11

MLA Award for Lifetime Scholarly Achievement Review Committee (appointed by the Committee on Honors and Awards; 3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Solicits from members or generates on its own the names of candidates for the triennial MLA Award for Lifetime Scholarly Achievement; compiles candidates' dossiers; forwards the dossiers of three finalists to the Committee on Honors and Awards in the award year.*

Victoria Kahn, 2009–11
Haun Saussy, 2009–11
Kenneth W. Warren, 2009–11

Advisory Committee on the *MLA International Bibliography* (3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Examines and assesses the direction and philosophy of the bibliography; advises the staff on policies and procedures for compiling and producing the bibliography; aids in identifying and recruiting bibliographers from the academy.*

STAFF LIAISON: *Barbara Chen*

Rebecca Day Babcock, 2008–11
Federico Abel Chalupa, 2007–10
Laura Sue Fuderer, 2008–11
Gary M. Godfrey, 2008–11; 2009–11 (Ch.)

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Mildred L. Jackson, 2009–12
Gesa E. Kirsch, 2008–12
Bernth Lindfors, 2007–10
Camilla H. Mortensen, 2007–10
Brian Vetruba, 2009–12

Committee on Academic Freedom and Professional Rights and Responsibilities (3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Addresses the general conditions of the professional lives of teachers and scholars, including the conditions of their employment and their rights and responsibilities; reviews concerns of MLA members but cannot intervene in individual grievances; initiates relevant projects and publications; advises on the MLA Job Information Service.*

STAFF LIAISONS: *Nelly Furman and David Goldberg*

Michael Bérubé, 2007–10; 2009–10 (Ch.)
Miriam Cooke, 2007–10
Stacey Lee Donohue, 2008–11
June Howard, 2009–12
Reinhard Mayer, 2008–11
John Mowitt, 2009–12
Elliott Visconsi, 2009–12

Committee on Amendments to the Constitution (3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Receives proposals for amendments from the Delegate Assembly, the Executive Council, or any group of at least twenty-five members of the association; formulates such proposals into amendments and brings them before the Delegate Assembly for action.*

STAFF LIAISON: *Carol Zuses*

Heather Dubrow, 2008–11
John Guillory, 2007–10; 2008–10 (Ch.)
Michael Holquist, 2009–12
Mary N. Layoun, 2009–12
Nicolas Shumway, 2007–10

Program Committee (3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Advises the Executive Council on planning for the annual convention; exercises general supervision over divisions and discussion groups; assists the executive director with planning or approving forums and other special events at the convention.*

STAFF LIAISON: *Maribeth T. Kraus*

Michael Berry, 2009–12
Rosemary G. Feal, 2002– (Ch.)
Kathleen Fitzpatrick, 2009–12
Lisa A. Freeman, 2008–11
Pamela K. Gilbert, 2009–12
Michèle Longino, 2008–11
Alan Rauch, 2008–11
Sarah R. Robbins, 2007–10
George L. Scheper, 2009–12
John L. Schilb, 2008–11
Katherine V. Snyder, 2007–10
Lisa Vollendorf, 2008–10
Liliane Weissberg, 2007–10

Elections Committee (elected by the Delegate Assembly; 2-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Supervises the nominations and elections to the Delegate Assembly. See the MLA constitution (articles 10.D and 11.B) for details.*

STAFF LIAISON: *Carol Zuses*

Katherine Arens, 2008–09; 2009 (Ch.)
Margaret W. Ferguson, 2008–09
Jonathan Freedman, 2009–10
Suvir Kaul, 2009–10
Melissa Mowry, 2009–10
Alan Nadel, 2008–09
Robyn R. Warhol, 2008–09

Nominating Committee (elected by the Delegate Assembly; 2-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Makes nominations for second vice president and members of the Executive Council. See the MLA constitution (articles 6.C, 8.A, and 11.A) for details.*

STAFF LIAISON: *Rosemary G. Feal*

Timothy Carmody, 2009–10
Tom Conley, 2009
Paula M. Krebs, 2009–10
Tey Diana Rebolledo, 2009–10
Bruce Robbins, 2009–10
Haun Saussy, 2008–09
Frank Trommler, 2008–09; 2009 (Ch.)

Delegate Assembly Organizing Committee (members serve ex officio or are elected by the Delegate Assembly or the Executive Council; varying terms)

FUNCTION: *Prepares the agenda for Delegate Assembly meetings; receives, initiates, and reports on resolutions and motions to be brought before the assembly; establishes ad hoc committees to investigate matters of concern to the assembly; nominates candidates for the Delegate Assembly's Elections Committee; and works closely with the Executive Council and the staff on matters relating to the activities and future directions of the association. See the MLA constitution (article 11.C) for details.*

STAFF LIAISON: *Carol Zuses*

Sara Scott Armengot, 2009–9 Jan. 2011
Dorian F. Bell, 2008–09
Gaurav Desai, 2008–9 Jan. 2011
Rosemary G. Feal, 2002–
Brian Kennelly, 2008–9 Jan. 2011
Teresa Mangum, 2009–8 Jan. 2012
Paula Rabinowitz, 2006–09
Bonnie Kime Scott, 2007–09; 2009 (Ch.)
Cynthia Skenazi, 2007–09
Sidonie Smith, 2009
Alexandra K. Wettlaufer, 2008–8 Jan. 2012

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Committee on the Literatures of People of Color in the United States and Canada (3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Develops projects designed to encourage dialogue across ethnic boundaries and to promote intercultural perspectives on and comparative analyses of the literatures and languages of various ethnic groups, including African Americans, Chicanos, Asian Americans, Puerto Ricans, and Native Americans.*

STAFF LIAISONS: *Rosemary G. Feal and Douglas Steward*

Lan Dong, 2008–11
Licia Fiol-Matta, 2008–11
Marissa K. López, 2007–10; 2008–10 (Coch.)
Deborah A. Miranda, 2008–11
Ifeoma Kiddoe Nwankwo, 2009–12
Hiram Perez, 2009–12
Chandan Reddy, 2007–10
Ben. Sifuentes-Jáuregui, 2008–11; 2009–11 (Coch.)
Frederick White, 2009–12
Vernetta K. Williams, 2008–10

Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession (3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Investigates and reports on the situation of women within the profession; promotes the study and teaching of women's literature.*

STAFF LIAISONS: *Nelly Furman and Maribeth T. Kraus*

Rebecca Haidt, 2007–10
Jean E. Howard, 2007–10; 2008–10 (Coch.)
Rosemary Erickson Johnsen, 2008–11; 2009–11 (Coch.)
Cassandra Laity, 2007–10
Dorothy A. Nason, 2008–11
Christine M. Probes, 2008–11
Monika Shafi, 2009–12
Carmaletta M. Williams, 2009–12

Committee on Information Technology (3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Initiates projects, publications, and other activities relating to the use of computers and other technologies for teaching and research in the language and literature fields; advises on matters relating to technology.*

STAFF LIAISONS: *Terrence Callaghan and Stephen Olsen*

Ronnie Apter, 2007–10
Michael Eberle-Sinatra, 2009–12
Carolyn Guertin, 2008–11
Barbara A. Lafford, 2009–12
Laura Mandell, 2008–11; 2009–11 (Ch.)
Jeffrey Schneider, 2007–10
William A. Thompson, 2008–11

Committee on Disability Issues in the Profession (3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Considers the needs and interests of scholars who have disabilities and addresses a variety of related issues, including access to the convention and scholarship in the field of disability studies.*

STAFF LIAISONS: *Terrence Callaghan and Maribeth T. Kraus*

Kevin Finn, 2007–10
Joseph Francese, 2008–11
Kristen C. Harmon, 2007–10; 2008–10 (Coch.)
Petra Kuppers, 2008–11; 2009–11 (Coch.)
Joshua B. Lukin, 2008–11
Ato Quayson, 2009–12
Ellen Samuels, 2009–12
Ann Schmiesing, 2009–12

Radio Committee (3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Oversees the special project, initiated in 1994 by the Executive Council, to produce radio programs designed to convey the usefulness of studying language and literature; selects program topics and participants.*

STAFF LIAISON: *Judy Goulding*

Chadwick Allen, 2009–12
Alison Booth, 2008–11; 2009–11 (Ch.)
Bill Brown, 2007–10
Sima Godfrey, 2009–12
Roberta Johnson, 2008–11
Todd Kontje, 2009–12
Julia Reinhard Lupton, 2007–10
Karin C. Ryding, 2008–11

Committee on Community Colleges (3-year terms)

FUNCTION: *Working through June 2010, will consider a range of issues that affect modern language teachers in two-year colleges, e.g., conditions of employment, staffing, curriculum, articulation with secondary schools and four-year institutions, and the preparation and recruitment of faculty members.*

STAFF LIAISONS: *David Goldberg and David Laurence*

Falk Cammin, 2009–12
Alicia M. de la Torre Falzon, 2007–10; 2009–10 (Ch.)
Margaret Hanzimanolis, 2009–12
Franklin J. Inojosa, 2007–10
Connie A. Jacobs, 2007–10
Miles S. McCrimmon, 2008–11
David F. Stout, 2008–11
Linda Weinhouse, 2009–12

Committee on the Status of Graduate Students in the Profession

FUNCTION: *Working through June 2013, will consider a range of curricular, intellectual, and professional issues that affect graduate students in language and literature; will consider publication and other projects that will assist graduate students while they pursue their education, gain experience as teachers, seek employment, and make a transition to the workplace; will bring issues that concern graduate students to the attention of the staff, the Executive Council, and other MLA committees.*

STAFF LIAISONS: *Nelly Furman and Douglas Steward*

Chris Bell, 2007–10
Timothy Carmody, 2007–10; 2008–10 (Coch.)
Mayra Cerda-Gómez, 2007–10
Monica F. Jacobe, 2009–12
Jens Kugele, 2008–11
Giovanna Montenegro, 2009–12

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Luziris Pineda Turi, 2008–11; 2009–11 (Coch.)
Lynn M. Washington, 2008–11

Committee on Contingent Labor in the Profession (initial terms vary)

FUNCTION: *Working through June 2014, will consider a range of issues that affect teachers of modern languages and literatures in institutions of higher education who hold non-tenure-track appointments (e.g., salary and benefits, workplace issues and conditions of employment, demographics, participation in departmental and institutional governance, academic freedom, professional development); will collect information useful to individuals and departments and identify effective policies and practices; will organize convention sessions and consider proposing association publications and other projects that will address the concerns of non-tenure-track faculty members and the departments that employ them.*

STAFF LIAISON: *Rosemary G. Feal and David Laurence*

Sandra K. Baringer, 2009–12
Janet Galligani Casey, 2009–11
Cary DiPietro, 2009–11
Douglas Hesse, 2009–12
Elizabeth Landers, 2009–12
Nicolas Shumway, 2009–12
Emma Widener, 2009–11

Ad Hoc Committee on the Structure of the Annual Convention

FUNCTION: *Working for two to three years, will reconsider the status, structure, and function of the annual convention and make recommendations for changes.*

STAFF LIAISON: *Maribeth T. Kraus*

Robert Barsky
Patrick M. Bray
David Damrosch
Rosemary G. Feal (Ch.)
Roland Greene
Linda Gregerson
Bette G. Hirsch
Meta DuEwa Jones
Lucille Kerr
Mary N. Layoun
Katherine A. Rowe

MLA DELEGATES

American Council of Learned Societies

Nicolas Shumway, 2007–10

International Federation for Modern Languages and Literatures

Rosemary G. Feal, 2002–

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