# BCALS Executive Meeting January 16, 2018, 9:00 am (via teleconference)

**PRESENT:** Ali de Haan, Ryan Kyle, Alli Sullivan, Chloe Riley, Melissa Smith, Emily Hector, Alison Moore

**REGRETS:** Peggy Lunn

## Agenda

- 1. Call to Order at 9:03am (Ali d)
- 2. Adoption of Agenda (Ali d)
- 3. Minutes of previous meeting
  - a. No amendments or corrections
- 4. Follow-up on action items:
  - a. BCALS Awards Committee (Ali d, Ali M)
    - Ali M sent out an invitation to the listserv and posted on social media calling for participation on the BCALS Outstanding Contribution Award committee. The deadline for committee member applications is February 2, 2018, and applications should be sent to ali.dehaan@ascenda.com.
      - Ali requested that we reach out to our colleagues to encourage them to volunteer. She will also send out a reminder to the listserv and social media this week.
    - As the Chair, Ali d will serve on the committee, but historically the committee is not made up of BCALS exec members.
  - b. Recruiting non-librarian library personnel (Ali d)
    - Melissa spoke with a library tech student at Langara who agreed to talk up the group in her courses. Melissa will follow up to see how that went.
    - Ali d encouraged exec members to chat with non-library folks that we know in order to encourage their participation.
  - c. BCALS social media duty (Ali M)
    - Ali M has been doing our social media for a year, but would like to pass that along to someone else. We currently post to Facebook and Twitter. Emily and Melissa volunteered to take this on until our AGM in April. Ali will email them the password and login information.

#### 5. New business

- a. Ryan has the recordings from the December meeting. He is intending to have them ready to post online soon.
  - Alli S pointed out that we neglected to have the speakers sign the release forms.
     Alli S will coordinate the forms, and let Ryan know when we are free to post.
- b. Alli S mentioned that there is a group interested in library user experience in Vancouver who are looking into holding an event in the spring, particularly with an

interest in user experience in physical spaces. They reached out to BCALS to see if there any interest from us in participating in such an event.

 While there is interest in the topic, the Continuing Education coordinators did not feel like they had the capacity to take a new event on at this time.

# **6. Continuing Education:** (Ryan/Peggy/Ali M)

- a. Pub Night (Ali M)
  - Our next event will be held January 26, 2018 in New West.
  - Emily called several pubs close to New West station to see if any of them could accommodate a reservation (8-12 people). She will follow up with them and confirm the location.
    - Once we have a confirmation, we can advertise the event to our list and social media.
- b. Keeping it ReAL 2018 (Ali M)
  - Ali M attended a debrief session with the 2017 committee members. She let the committee know that the incoming BCALS Continuing Education reps will likely want to continue to participate, and Ali can introduce them to the planning committee following our AGM. The Chair for the upcoming committee is Christine Walde, and the conference will take place in Victoria.
    - We can keep this in mind when we put out our call for new exec members, and encourage Victoria/Vancouver Island folks to run.
  - The issue of timing was raised (especially the close overlap with the BCALS
    December meeting) and the Keeping it ReAL committee was open to flexibility
    with regards to this. This includes the suggestion of holding our business
    meeting (which usually accompanies our December meeting) at the end of
    Keeping it ReAL, freeing up BCALS to host a spring event.
    - Ryan noted that Keeping it ReAL as an event is more focused towards librarians in research institutions, and may be considered less open/accessible to all library personnel. Given our efforts to expand our members, we may not want to attach our meetings to Keeping it ReAL.
    - Alli S brought up the possibility of a remote December meeting.
    - Ali M also pointed out that it is a considerable amount of work to serve on the Keeping it ReAL committee, which overlapped with the planning to the December event.
  - We will share all of this information with the incoming Continuing Education executive members, as they will be the ones taking on these responsibilities.

### **7. Closing Remarks** (Ali d)

- Ali d encouraged exec members to start talking to colleagues about joining the BCALS exec committee.
- Ali d also reported that the BCLA Conference planning committee has not confirmed the day/time yet for our AGM; she will let us know when they do confirm.

## 8. Adjournment at 9:30am.

a. Next meeting: February 20, 2018