



FNIG Meeting Minutes

December 1, 2014
UBCIC Resource Centre

In Attendance

Sarah Dupont (Convener)

Alissa Cherry

Dan Slessor

Rebecca Lahr

Inti Dewey

Ann Doyle

Gordon Yusko

Alison Trumble

Eleanore Wellwood

Deborah Lee (visiting from Saskatchewan)

Alyssa Hamer

VIA SKYPE: Emily Orr & Jennifer Seper (Vancouver Island Regional)

1. Welcome and roundtable

2. BCLA Website update

- a. bclaconnect.ca/FNIG [currently under construction, it is a wordpress site]
- b. **TO DO:** Waiting to hear from BCLA for updated infrastructure before Dan Slessor and Sarah Dupont can continue working on content migration from old site

3. Elections were held

- a. Secretary: Rebecca Lahr
- b. Social Convener: Inti Dewey

4. BCLA conference 2015

- a. FNIG table – discussion tabled, need more info from BCLA conference committee
- b. FNIG Session Proposal Ideas – staff development? Panel? Indri is interested. Call for sessions anticipated soon.

5. Write to Read (associated with/supported primarily by Rotary Club)

- a. Discussion led by Ann Doyle:
Bob Blacker excited to work with FNIG and potentially with iSchool students (experience placements) and donations. He is also working with dentists (Faculty of Dentistry). Working with Chief Joe Alphonse.
- b. Deborah Lee joined it to share her knowledge from a presentation (National Aboriginal Round Table on Reading) by the WTR leaders:
Creating libraries in collaboration with communities on reserve. Working with community to set up libraries. 10 libraries going in communities. Donations from all kinds of businesses (e.g., portables for the libraries, retired librarians cataloguing). Up to 16 in total that will be done in the next couple of years. Interested in getting model set up in other provinces. The Rotary Club is not funding staff positions. These positions have to be paid for by the communities.



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- c. What are peoples' ideas/interests? Bob Blacker may not know of the potential connections across systems.
- d. Check in from Emily Orr: "want to be part of these conversations – so many WTR projects have opened in our area – we might be able to help with librarians for supervising, collection development."
- e. Ann is interested in sister libraries and exploring that concept.
- f. What kind of meeting makes sense?
 - BCLA conference (End of May): informational event/panel – have off time for business meeting. Also like to hear from the librarians currently working on the project. Someone is doing a PhD on the project (based out of Scotland), maybe they could participate?
 - Lots of questions are coming forward
 - Training - Need librarians to supervise onsite placements.
 - Support
 - Research group together? Find out what the communities need / are interested in.
 - Where are the libraries?

6. TO DO

- a. GOOGLE DOC: Rebecca will start a Google Document to keep track of questions
- b. EMAIL: Ann will craft an email to Bob to propose a meeting mid-late January (post the 19th) AND float the idea of the conference and excited about his work and perhaps he would consider participation. We need representation from iSchool (Student Services Coordinator).
- c. BCLA SESSION PROPOSAL: Session Lead(s) Allison Trumble, Emily Orr, Jennifer Seper, and Sarah Dupont (standing by).

7. FYI

- a. money burning a hole in your pocket?
 - Fund raising will be taking place for UBCIC Resource Centre (need a maple sugar mamma).
 - Gene Joseph Scholarship (GJS) Donations, you will receive a tax receipt
 - New inventory supply of GJS Magnets, need \$5 stocking stuffers? Contact Sarah at sarah.dupont@ubc.ca
- b. Next meeting: January, perhaps the Summit (?) Indri offered to host FNIG?
 - TO DO: Sarah to check in with Indri, work with Rebecca on setting up a meeting