



In attendance:

Sarah Dupont (convenor), Rebecca Lahr (minutes), Melissa Adams, Eleanore Wellwood, Lucas, Kim Lawson, Alissa Cherry, Anita Kora, Michelle Kaczmarek, Salma Berrada, Lisa Nathan

1. Introductions

2. Draft terms of reference for new Lib tech scholarship

- Asked BCLA for a template to work from, tabled until next meeting

3. Upcoming BCLA Conference 2016 ideas

- Roundtable / facilitation to allow sharing of ideas around First Nations – maybe ‘fishbowl’, or lightning talks,
- Might need to wait to the theme is announced
- Still have concerns with speakers having to pay for conference fees to attend the session.
- Discussed a FNIG meeting at the conference where an election will be called for the executive roles. The nomination process for roles and individuals will be discussed at a future meeting.
- **Action item:** Sarah will send out to the list a call-out for 3 volunteers to put something together; hopefully an outline can be created for feedback by the next meeting.

4. Gene Joseph Scholarship Welcome Letter

- Minor edits on the GJS welcome letter, letter approved pending edits.
- General conversation took place inquiring about the details of the scholarship (how one applies, selection process, how to publicize, part-time student eligibility). We know that a student can apply or be nominated, but the rest is currently unknown. No policy intact right now for publicising recipient names. How to keep track of winners? And how (if) to publicize? Discussed reasons for public announcement to be on an opt-in basis to be sensitive to students’ privacy. If we are going to make this public by default (opt-out policy), then we might want to notify applicants of this at the beginning of the application process. Need to table this until we can figure out the details.
- **Action item:** RL will make edits to letter.



- **Action item:** SD will follow up with UBC to clarify the process of the scholarship and whether part-time students are eligible.

5. Miscellaneous admin

- Minutes from 19 September meeting are approved
- Have \$635 cashbox
- Swag:
 - New options were discussed (fleece jacket or new style of tote, flash drives), and we are currently out of totes but still have magnets. It was suggested to check with a First Nations business by Richmond called Native Northwest. It was also mentioned that it might be worth pursuing how to go about selling this in MOA gift shop.
 - **Action item:** Salma will get details of Native Northwest to share
 - **Action item:** Sarah will check into Native Northwest as an option for a supplier; will order flash drives in the meantime
 - **Action item:** Alissa will get Sarah in touch with the gift shop at MOA

6. Student leadership

- There was a short discussion about possibilities for student events at the iSchool around FNIG or general First Nations awareness, including a film screening which had been done in the past.

7. TRC recommendations – FNIG response brainstorm

- Perhaps start with a session at BCLA conference, which would be an open space for people to share what they have done, brainstorm ways to keep momentum going for BC libraries, perhaps in the form of a toolkit as a resource for libraries. Discussed the lack of response from library associations in Canada, and possible responses from related professional organisations (museums, archives). We discussed the need for FNIG to develop a statement on the TRC recommendations, and the need to develop a topic briefing to communicate the importance of reacting to the TRC recommendations for information professionals in BC.
- **Action item:** Alissa will share museum response
- **Action item:** Melissa will share archivists response
- **Action item:** Melissa & Sarah – first draft towards a statement

8. Next meeting

- Saturday, Nov 14, 11 am – 3 pm