

BCLA LGBTQ+ Interest Group  
November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Total number of attendees: 5 in person, 5 via Google Hangouts

1. Amara gave a book talk of “Annie On My Mind” by Nancy Garden. The plan is to have one or two members each meeting do a book talk on any LGBTQ+ book to start us off.
2. Alan gave the group a rundown of the Pride Storytime done at a Surrey Public Library Branch this summer, which included drag queen guests. Overall, a great response from the community, with some disgruntled patrons. This led to a discussion about guest storytime presenters and how they are handled, as Amara has seen some colleagues worried about Union rules in the past.
3. Amara briefly discussed Out On The Shelves now being open.
4. The group then discussed the potential of a future workshop and/or webinar, as well as providing online resources. Discussion of a journal club for sharing articles, using Library Toolshed as a place to house a webinar/information, and sharing resources was also had.
5. Potentially a professional development or workshop group will be formed for people who want to work on this.
6. The next meeting will most likely be February or March.