MINUTES BCLA Public Libraries Interest Group (PLIG)

June 14, 2018 9-10:30 AM; BPL – Tommy Douglas Branch

Chair: Heidi Recorder: Gillian (VPL) Present: Will, Gillian (BPL), Sarah

- 1. Welcome and introductions
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Approval of May meeting minutes
- 4. June Collections MeetUp update
 - -13 people have signed up and we may have drop-ins.
 - -We'll look in to getting assorted pastries and a fruit tray, as well as coffee and tea.
 - -Heidi, Vicki and Megan will be there early, others are welcome early to help set up.
 - -Sarah will take high level notes that we can add to our website (including any resources that are mentioned)
 - -room set up will be conference style table
 - -Some people may feel pressured to present, and this may deter them from attending. For future events, we may consider a "lightning talk" or pecha kucha format.
 - -group provide suggestions for Heidi for a feedback form.
 - -discussion around promoting future events with posters, facebook, instagram etc

Action – we will ask Kate to create a "promotion checklist" for us for next event

5. Journal Club update

- -the dates are not yet confirmed, tentatively Sept.19 or 20, 7-8:30/9 pm at 221A (E.Georgia St.)
- -looking at choosing 2 readings; 1 academic/ theory based and 1 more popular
- -hoping to have one session every 3 months themes are LGBTQ2+ (Marisa), Indigenous Services/ Collections (Gillian BPL); Community-led (Sarah); Accessibility (TBD)
- -promotion will start after Collections Meetup; "save the date" teaser will be sent out in early/mid July to BCLA list; articles will go out twice in August

Action – Heidi will look into liquor licensing requirements

Action – Will can check date and availability of 221A

Action – Sarah and Gillian (BPL) will reach out to Marisa re. first session

6. August Social

-we don't have an "official" meeting planned for August, but we'll have a social meeting

Action – Heidi will ask Vicky if she has capacity to help us organize a gathering at Strathcona Brewing for Thursday, August 23

7. News and Ideas Roundtable

- -VPL has a new chief Librarian, Christina de Castell
- -discussion about SLPSA position at VPL
- -Sarah has finished her librarian training with BPL. BPL is working on a new strat plan.