



**Minutes of the British Columbia Library Association Annual General Meeting
9:00 A.M. to 9:50 A.M., Saturday, April 17, 1999
Delta Pacific Resort and Conference Centre, Richmond B.C.**

1. Call to Order

Greg Buss called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M.

2. Establishment of Quorum

Quorum was established by Sylvia Roberts.

3. Announcement of Parliamentarian

Leonora Crema was announced as Parliamentarian.

4. Minutes of the 1998 Annual General Meeting of June 28, 1998

The minutes were published in the June/July 1998 Reporter.

Motion to approve the minutes of the 1998 annual general meeting.

Moved by Jacqueline Bradshaw, seconded by Elaine Fairey.

Carried.

5. Annual Report

Motion to adopt the 1998/99 annual report.

Moved by Ann Goodhart, seconded by Melinda Baranieski.

Carried.

6. Membership Secretary's Report

Sylvia Roberts reported that association membership now numbered more than 800. There was an increase in student membership due to a successful drive to attract student members.

Motion to accept the membership report.

Moved by Sylvia Roberts, seconded by Andree Duval.

Carried.

7. Treasurer's Report: 1998 Financial Statements, and Appointment of

Auditor

Todd Mundle presented the 1998 financial statements and answered questions from the membership. A change in accounting policy has occurred as a result of the association adopting the revised accounting recommendations of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants with respect to non-for-profit organizations. The financial statements are now prepared on a restricted fund basis. Figures for the funds may be found in the notes to the financial statements.

Motion to accept the treasurer's report.
Moved by Todd Mundle, seconded by Colleen Smith.

Carried.

Motion that Collins Barrow continue as auditors in 1999.
Moved by Todd Mundle, seconded by Sylvia Roberts.

Carried.

8. Nominations Committee Report

On behalf of Ron Clancy, Sybil Harrison announced the acclamation of the association's new executive:

Vice President - President Elect: Julie Spurrell
Assistant Treasurer - Treasurer Elect: Diana Guinn
Membership Secretary: Martha Whitehead
Two Year Director: Joyce Wong
One Year Director: Jane Diamanti

9. Resolutions Committee Report: member resolutions and special resolution

Special resolution. Be it resolved to rescind and replace existing by-laws with by-laws that reflect the changes to By-law 3.1 (approved June 1998).
[These by-laws, with amendments highlighted were presented to the membership.]

Motion to accept the special resolution.
Moved by Elaine Fairey, seconded by Sylvia Roberts.
Carried.

10. Other Business

Greg Buss asked the membership for comments or suggestions on the workings of the association. Suggestion that the web page be improved and made more accessible to sections, committees, interest groups and to members. Suggestion that the association consider a recognition award for library advocates who are not librarians or library employees. Approval of the new office space and location. Appreciation was expressed for the work done by Nancy Hannum on the Government Documents and

First Nations committees, and by Anita Cocchia and the Continuing Education committee. A thank you for the clarification of librarian, library technician, and library assistant positions on the BCLA jobline.

11. President's Report

Greg Buss reported on the effectiveness of the new office space, and of the full-time executive director, Michael Burris. Significant initiatives over the year have been Focus online and the e-commerce Biblio-tique on the web, and the Electric Library Canada provincial licensing agreement for public libraries. Ted Benson and Jim Looney were recognized for their contributions to the association, as were office staff Michael Burris and Trish Fraser.

12. Incoming President's Report

Sybil Harrison thanked Greg Buss for his work as President, and expressed her appreciation at being selected as the new president of the association. She invited the membership to the next conference in Kelowna in 2000.

13. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn.

Moved by Sylvia Roberts, seconded by Marie-Luise Berryman.

Carried.