

BCALS Annual General Meeting
June 13, 2024, 12-1 PM

2023-24 BCALS Executive Present: David Gill, Roen Janyk, Susie Wilson, Cassandra Larose, Kat Louro, Julie Jones, Katharine Shipley, Lauren Wong

2024-25 BCALS Executive Present: Roen Janyk, Susie Wilson, Cheng Zhou

Regrets: Drina Doyle

1. Call to Order and Introduction

- a. Called to order at 12:03 pm.

2. Adoption of Agenda

- a. Adopted with no amendments.

3. Approval of [Minutes from the 2023 AGM](#)

- a. Approved with no amendments.

4. Changes to BCALS Constitution

- a. Adding Speaker Selection Policy so to contribute to our anti-racism and EDI work
 - i. Discussion:
 - Question re: wording suggesting application to academic libraries in general, versus only BCALS events.
 - a. Suggested adding language to reframe policy as part of call to action - keep language, but add context.
 - ii. Motion: That the Speaker Selection Policy be added to the BCALS Constitution to contribute to our anti-racism and EDI work.
 - Mover: Susie Wilson
 - Seconder: Katharine Shipley
 - Decision: Passed (with language changes in first section as per discussion).
- b. 5.5 Eligibility of BC students attending programs outside BC
 - i. From last year's AGM: Discussion: currently the bylaws state that a student must be attending a BC post-secondary, living in BC, or both. Should we consider opening this up to BC students attending out-of-province library programs, and/or students attending BC programs but living out of province? Decision: the executive will take this forward and engage with membership next year.
 - ii. The executive discussed this issue at the [July 18th 2023 meeting](#). We learned that 74 BC students from 2012 - 2019 went to the U of Alberta online MLIS program. We also found that Alberta library associations don't have something similar to BCALS that online BC

MLIS students could take part of. So we were in favour of keeping 5.5 as is so that students attending a BC post-secondary, living in BC, or both can be a student rep. This still opens it up to BC students attending out-of-province library programs or students attending BC programs but living out of province.

5. BCALS Annual Report and accomplishments

- a. [2023-24 BCALS Annual Report](#) (Outgoing Chair):
 - i. David provided an overview of the year's work.
 - i. Full report to be shared on the BCALS website & [online forum](#).

6. Executive Slate

- a. Candidate Announcements
 - i. Chair: Roen Janyk, Okanagan College
 - ii. Chair-Elect: Susie Wilson, University of Northern British Columbia
 - iii. Recording Secretary: Cheng Zhou, UBC iSchool alumna
 - iv. Continuing Education Coordinators:
 - Katharine Shipley, Douglas College (2st year); Julie Jones, Simon Fraser University (2st year)
 - (1st years): **We are still looking for first year Continuing Education Coordinators.**
 - v. Student Representatives: Drina Doyle, Langara College's Department of Library & Information Technology, **We are still looking for more Student reps.**

7. Questions & open discussion

- a. Attendees welcome to bring forward matters for discussion
 - i. For future discussion:
 - Are/how are institutions integrating [BC Digital Literacy Framework](#) into instruction? Using teach the teacher models? Also noted [CARL Digital Literacy Framework](#).
 - Discussion around where work on AI is happening institutionally (i.e., teaching/learning/educational tech units, writing centres, interdisciplinary groups/task forces/communities of practice). Potential for future community of practice or working group through BCALS (possibly organized by Continuing Education Coordinators).

8. Closing Remarks

- a. (Outgoing chair -David)
- b. (Incoming chair - Roen Janyk)

9. Adjournment

- a. Adjourned at 12:45 pm.