

BCLA CAC Meeting

Date: 17 September 2021, 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Present: Jennifer, Helen Brown, Heather De Forest, Britannia Gammond, Rina Hadziev, McKelle Hansen, Michelle Kaczmarek, David Kerr, Diana Marshall, Kevin Millsip, Lisa Nathan, Leo Pedersen, Jenna Thomson, David Waddell, Warren Wulff
Regrets: Caitlin MacRae, Nick Ubels

Agenda:

1. Welcome
2. Approval of agenda
3. Updates:
 - a. Climate Preparedness and Adaptation Strategy public consultation [submission](#)
 - b. Informational meeting with Madeleine Charney (U Mass) (Lisa)
 - i. [Minitalks](#)
 - c. BCLA CAC position statement
 - d. Ideas gathered from initial brainstorming meeting
 - i. Document summarizing the ideas available in Basecamp
 - ii. Strong interest in sharing what libraries are doing and discussing further ideas, and support for advocacy
 - iii. **Action:** everyone review ideas listed in the summary document from the first meeting
4. New business
 - a. Executive positions
 - i. Recording Secretary: Diana volunteered
 - ii. Members at Large: David and Jenna volunteered
 - iii. Student representative positions are open
 - b. Website
 - i. David volunteered to manage the BCLA subsite
 - ii. Create structure and upload minutes, Terms of Reference, and any information to share with BCLA members and others
 - c. Position statement
 - i. Reporting back from discussions with Annette, Chris, Rina, Lisa, and Helen at various points.
 - ii. Could be a resource that various groups (e.g. BCLA sections, libraries, Friends groups, individuals) draw on to support internal library work and external advocacy, particularly in situations where turnaround time is limited.

- iii. Should review work from other organizations such as the Canadian Urban Library Council.
 - iv. Rina developing processes for connecting with Board about advocacy more generally (e.g. written submissions, presentations)
 - v. **Action:** Form working group to explore examples, strategies to move this forward. Helen, Lisa, Diana, David, Kevin volunteered to work on this as well as a Board liaison.
- d. Collaboration, meeting schedules
- i. Agreed upon monthly lunch time meetings for now, approximately the third Thurs of the month.
 - ii. Email through the listerv is a good place to communicate and share information. Agreed that we should use this service more and can reassess again later if messages become much more frequent, etc.
 - iii. Will select a collaboration space for working documents.
5. Discussion / Sharing
- a. Opportunities to engage governments, learn, etc.
 - i. Government of Canada Just Transition public consultation period
 - ii. Kevin is serving in an advisory role to the Auditor General.
 - iii. City of Vancouver Climate Emergency Action Plan
 - iv. City of Vancouver Tillbury LNG motion
 - v. Possible presentation on the CCPA's [Corporate Mapping Project](#)
 - b. Items to add to next agenda
 - i. Collaboration and decision making discussion
 - ii. Review brainstorming ideas from 1st meeting
 - iii. Discussion of days of action, call to action