

Climate Action Committee
British Columbia Library Association
Minutes
November 18, 2022

Attendees: Diana Marshall, David Waddell, Helen Brown, Jennifer Wilson, Caitlin MacRae, Lisa Nathan, Chris Conroy, Shirley Chan, Donna Tremblay

Agenda

1. Welcome and Check-Ins
2. Approved Minutes and Agenda
3. Business Arising
 - a. Conference Proposals (BCLA proposal due Monday).
 - **Action Item: Diana** is going to confirm with OLA about OLA/BCLA conference proposals interest b/c BCLA's conference proposals are due in three days (Monday)
 - **Action Item: David** is going to contact BCLA Exec. Dir. (Rina H) to request a deadline extension (or something similar) for a panel on "How to do climate programming in libraries: (based on CAW). Discussion of interest and capacity
 - b. Topic Briefing Publication – everyone tested links
 - <https://bclaconnect.ca/cac/cac-documents/>
 - https://bclaconnect.ca/cac/files/2022/10/Navigating-Uncertainty_BCLA-CAC-Briefing_2022.pdf
 - **Action Item: Lisa** will connect with McKelle about her publication ideas (Helen suggested the BCLA Browser)
 - c. Climate Action Week Survey
 - Discussion of draft language after folks had a few minutes to review.
 - **Action Items:**
 1. **ALL** – review language and add comments by end of day, Monday, November 21.
 2. **David** - will edit and publish survey, and then someone will need to post it to the CAC work.
4. Updates
 - a. Climate Action Week 2023 Planning
 - Brief discussion of possible financial supports for CAW '23 (e.g., from BC government)
 - Discussion of CAW Planning Team (David W. and Jennifer W.)
 - Helen provided a brief pre-history of CAC. It was impressive and we need to figure out whether/how to get this backgrounded history.

- b. BCLA Climate Action Position Statement – no news
 - c. OLA Climate Action Committee – Diana attended the OLA meeting in September and reported on some of their discussions (e.g., committee make-up, work plan for 2023, committee membership).
 - **Action Item: Diana** will ask folks from OLA if they are ok with BCLA CAC using some of the climate projects/ideas shared by OLA members to kick start a discussion/sharing of ideas on the BCLA climate action listserv.
 - d. Other Updates - none
5. New Business
- a. Activating the Climate Crisis in Libraries (The Other 51 Weeks) – how to keep climate top of mind in libraries across BC throughout the year (outside of CAW). Circled back to discussion of Toolkit Idea (sharing resources).
 - **Action Item: Caitlin** volunteered to post to the Climate Action listserv once a month about what work her organization is doing to spark discussion.
6. Action Item Commitments – Review
7. Closing, Check-Outs, and Gratitude!