

## British Columbia Library Association | Climate Action Committee Minutes November 17, 2023

Participants: Dan Hackborn (Alberta), Shevaun (Saskatchewan!) David Waddell, Diana Marshall, Caitlin McRae, Helen Brown, Amory Strader, Lisa Nathan, Jennifer Wilson

- 1) Welcome and check ins
- 2) Approved Oct. minutes and today's agenda
- 3) Business arising, action updates (Items in bold were discussed. Other items postponed for December meeting)

### a) **BCLA Conference Proposals**

- i) Brief review of 2 sessions put together for OLA Super Conference (one accepted - one not)
- ii) Discussion of 2024 ideas (from google doc)
  - (1) General Update by David and Diana as co-chairs on what is happening with Climate Action (BC/Canada/world-wide)

ACTION: DAVID & DIANA will submit on Sunday (will draw on some of the language from #2 Climate Action Catalyst)

- (2) Climate Action Catalysts – what are we (as a sector) moving towards? How can librarians meaningfully support local climate action (Dan H.).  
Idea proposed for a round-table sharing.  
Review of similar events by Helen led to idea to potential to host this conversation in a different venue in the future

ACTION: Not at this time

- (3) Where do emissions lurk in libraries? Exploring options, committing to change, and finding climate solutions that work for our communities. Helping library folks understand their library's practices.

ACTION: Not at this time

### (4) BCLA Poster Submissions

- (a) Read4Climate – sharing Fraser Valley Regional Libraries' Read4Climate rack card for sharing and adoption by other.

ACTION: DIANA will submit by Sunday

- (b) Climate Action Week – generative poster to get folks excited and talking about for the upcoming year. Idea to incorporate QR code of CAW ideas.

ACTION: DAVID will submit by Sunday

- b) Toolkit connect - BCLA & OLA (Diana) - <MOVED TO DECEMBER DISCUSSION>

#### 4) Updates

##### a) Climate Action Week (David)

- i) Asking for input on additional input on a CAW survey that will (hopefully) go out next week
- ii) Idea to use responses to continue to argue for funding/resources to support CAW

ACTION: ALL – look at link survey and send feedback to Diana and David

ACTION: Diana and David will send out survey in the next week

##### b) Logo design opportunity (David, Caitlin)

- i) Brainstorm/discuss requirements
  - (1) Colour ideas: Look to BCLA , CAW logo, Show Your Stripes
  - (2) Shapes: Circular, call back to CAW logo, Interconnected

ACTION: Return to this discussion in December

##### c) Early stage idea for putting together ideas for Library Boards (Caitlin)

ACTION: Connect with Caitlin if you are interested in working on this

##### d) [Active Project Tracking Sheet](#) (David) <MOVED TO DECEMBER DISCUSSION>

##### e) Position Statement status and content (Helen)

- i) Rina and Kevin M. have reviewed statement and provided a bit of feedback.
- ii) Group reviewed google doc of statement together at high level.
- iii) Statement needs to be submitted to board on Nov. 30
- iv) Still some outstanding questions regarding formatting
- v) Caitlin M. confirmed that there is a graphic designer from New West who has been given the green light to help with formatting position statement in December, 2023 if needed

ACTION: HELEN & DAVID are sending the draft to other BCLA committees for feedback

- (1) ACTION: ANYONE who has (more than a slight word change) to suggest at this final stage, please create a new document and share with Helen. Again, this is at the final stage.
- (2) ACTION: HELEN is meeting with Rina, Monday at 2pm, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> to discuss deadline, formatting, etc.
  
- f) BC Cooperative Association ‘Who’s your pension fueling?’ session (Diana) <MOVED TO DECEMBER DISCUSSION>
  
- g) BC Benchmarking Survey (Diana) <MOVED TO DECEMBER DISCUSSION>
  
- h) OLA CAC meeting update (Diana) <MOVED TO DECEMBER DISCUSSION>
  
- i) CFLA CAC update (Dan, Helen) <MOVED TO DECEMBER DISCUSSION>
  
- j) Communication, Branches, Basecamp, website etc.
  
- 5) New business
  - a) Spotlight for New Initiatives <MOVED TO DECEMBER DISCUSSION>
  
  - b) New BCLA Professional Development Coordinator <MOVED TO DECEMBER DISCUSSION>
  
  - c) In person connect in December  
  
ACTION ITEM: FOR ANYONE to pick up, help plan an in-person gathering for December
  
  - d) ACTION ITEM: DIANA Move items with “<MOVED TO DECEMBER DISCUSSION> to December agenda
  
- 6) Action item review
  
- 7) Check out and closing thoughts

Next Meeting: Friday, December 15, 2023, noon-1pm