

British Columbia Library Association | Climate Action Committee Minutes



April 19, 2024

Attendees: Diana Marshall, Jennifer Wilson, Shirley Chan, Lisa Nathan, Kelly Lau, Kritika Joshi, Katharine Shipley, CJ Pentland, Amory Strader, David Waddell, Helen Brown, Caitlin McRae, Dan Hackborn, Josh Hamlett

- 1) Welcome and check ins
- 2) Approved March minutes and today's agenda
- 3) Business arising, action updates
- 4) Updates
 - a) BCLA conference planning
 - i) AGM resolution to adopt climate values
 - ii) CAC-focused presentations (4)
 - iii) Meeting at the conference: **Thursday April 25 at 530pm in Salon D.**
Welcoming folk and letting organic conversation flow (folks will likely be exhausted).
ACTION ITEM: David and other members of Exec. will host this informal gathering
 - b) CAPAL conference presentation (Helen)
 - i) Early June, academic librarian virtual conference
 - ii) Goal: Promoting BCLA's Climate Action Statement
 - iii) Discussion of sharing presentation for others to use in similar contexts (e.g., Caitlin for BC Library Trustees).
 - c) Logo design opportunity (David, Caitlin)
 - i) We have a logo! Sharing via zoom of one of the files.
 - ii) How/when shall we use it?
ACTION ITEM: All download and use logo!

- d) Toolkit project (Helen continuing to work on it this summer)
- e) BC benchmarking survey (Diana)
 - i) Dan, Amory and Diana are working on the next version of this survey, directly linking questions to Climate Action Statement for benchmarking purposes (bi-annually).
 - ii) Hope to release survey in May, 2024.
 - iii) Please keep an eye out and encourage your organization to take part
- f) BC Library trustee's policy project (Caitlin is continuing to work on it this summer)
- g) Climate Action Week (David)
 - i) 2023 evaluation report (still in draft form)
 - ii) 2024 planning –
 - (1) Nation-wide CFLA CAC committee has some money. \$5,000 will likely be used to pay a graphic designer and a librarian to focus on 2-3 “just add water” documents – for Climate Action Week. Folks are asking for more specific directions beyond a bulleted list of ideas. Ideally these would be useful to academic, special, and public libraries.
 - (2) Everything has to be translated into English and French – unclear whether they can extend to other languages. These would be for library professionals to use in their organization.
 - iii) [BC Gaming Grant](#) (David)
 - (1) David received encouragement to put BCLA CAC-related grant into Human & Social Services or Environment categories.
 - (2) Because this grant would go to BC, we have more opportunity to consider translation beyond English and French.
- h) Annual report and AGM planning (Diana and David)
 - i) **Friday, May 17, 2024, noon-1pm**
 - ii) Need to be a BCLA member to join Exec.
 - iii) Email will go out calling for those interested in roles and providing AGM connection details.

ACTION ITEM: David and/or Diana will send out AGM notice.
- i) OLA CAC meeting update (Diana)
 - i) Working on benchmarking survey (reporting on last year's and creating a new one for academic libraries) and the committee's 2024 plans.

- j) CFLA CAC update (Dan, Helen)
 - i) Just sent out a survey which Helen forwarded to BCLA list.
 - ii) Anyone can fill it out (doesn't need to be one person per organization. They want to hear from people who work in the library sector. Survey closes May 10.
 - iii) <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSegtyqsv2jhRH05KrOLqUPImTKPCVUIAAbZBbIzQQ01qYBIEow/viewform>
 - k) [Active Project Tracking Sheet](#) (Review by David)
 - l) Communication, Branches, Basecamp, website etc. (Review by Diana)
- 5) New business
- a) Review [CAC Terms of Reference \(2021\)](#)
 - i) **ACTION ITEM:** Katharine will look for student member wording from BC Academic Libraries Section and share with exec. for consideration.
 - b) Spotlight for new initiatives (none)
- 6) Action item review
- 7) Final miscellany
- a) none

Check out and closing thoughts.

Next Meetings:

1. In Person Connect at BCLA: Thursday April 25 at 530pm in Salon D
2. AGM: Friday, May 17, 2024, noon-1pm