

YAACS Meeting

Tuesday, September 13, 7:30-8:30 pm

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Attendees: Madeline Ewanyshyn (ME), Pippa Rogers (PR), Holly Broadland (HB), Sabrina Gurniak (SG), Vanessa Gill (VG), Tiffany Tse (TT), Cari Ma (CM), Natalia Wilczek (NW), Tess Prendergast (TP), Emily Gow (EG),

Agenda

1. Approval of agenda

moved by Kate W, seconded by PR - passed unanimously

2. Approval of minutes from our April 14, 2022 Meeting

moved by Kate W, seconded by TP & CM - passed unanimously

3. Committee / Rep Updates

President, Incoming President and Past President (Rhiannon Wallace, *Vacant*, and Kate Wood)

- **Update on vacant positions** - Incoming president, secretary, Children Services CEC (continuing education coordinator), Teen Services CEC, Vancouver Island CEC - **Tess P expressed interest in the Children Services CEC position and offered to help Sarah B out; Madeline E. expressed interested in the Secretary role, Cari M. expressed interested in the Childrens Services CEC or Teen services CEC roles.**
- **Welcome to new Executive members** - Welcome to Emily G as the co-editor, Melody Rae Story CEC for Kootneys, Holly Broadland BCTL/BCTF rep
- **BCLA Membership Fee requirement** - the requirement for officers to be members of BCLA is YAACS specific, but is not a BCLA specific, we could look at changing the Terms of Reference requirement. Some advantages of the membership are: money off

on certain purchases, discounted coaching and mentoring program, discount for BCLA conference. Some of the work that BCLA is doing with your fees: [need more info here](#)

- TP - it's a professional organization and should be treated as such, so we should be members.
- HB - it's hard to pay BCTLA and then also BCLA membership when it is a volunteer role
- Can we ask Rina about having the BCTF/BCTLA membership waived?
- Talk to Rina about adjusting the TOR to allow liaisons to not have to pay a membership fee since they are paying a fee for a different association.

YAACS Awards Committee (Katherine Parker)

- No updates

YAACING Newsletter (Sabrina Gurniak, Emily Gow)

Welcome to incoming Co-Editor!

- Sabrina G - published our Summer issue (belated) came out the first week of August. Tracked the number of "reads" and we are up to 86 reads (how many people clicked on the link)
 - Excited to work with Emily in this role
- Deadline for fall submission is October 15

Continuing Education – Teen Services - Lower Mainland (Stephanie Usher, Andrea Lukic, *Vacant*)

- No updates
- Andrea is doing really well and Stephanie was able to meet Andrea's baby.
- Stephanie is looking at stepping down as she is no longer working in Teens.

Continuing Education – Children's Services - Lower Mainland (Sarah Bagshaw, *Vacant*)

Thanks to Jenny Zhang for great work in this role!

- No updates

Continuing Education – Vancouver Island (*vacant*)

- No updates

Continuing Education – Kootenays (Melodie Rae Storey)

Welcome to the new Continuing Ed Coordinator for the Kootenays!

- Kootneys had a round table in June and will be having another meeting this week.

BCTLA/BCTF Representative (Holly Broadland)

Welcome to new BCTLA/BCTF representative!

- Holly B - very happy to start her job here. Have members on their executive from as far away as Prince George.
- They'll be having a retreat in Victoria coming up very soon
- They'll be having their first in person conference in October which will also be virtual
- Every school in BC will have October 21 off, and their conference will be held in New Westminster - go to BCTLA website and it will direct you to the conference page
- David Robertson and Ivan Coyote are keynotes of the conference
- Check out their website here: <https://bctla-csl.ourconference.ca>
- BCCTLA is on social media, you can follow them on Twitter <https://twitter.com/bctla> or instagram <https://www.instagram.com/bctlibrarians/>

iSchool Liaisons (Natalia Wilczek & Vanessa Gill) (Tess Prendergast - faculty liaison)

Thank you Tiffany for your great work in this role and welcome new iSchool Liaison!

- Vanessa G. - first meeting will happen in October and she is grateful to Natalia joining as the co-rep
- Rhiannon W. - Thank you to Tiffany for your work in this role.
- Tiffany T - they recently did an informal interview with Alan Woo as part of their Librarian spotlight series
- TP - teaching Children's Library Services this term and currently has about 14 students. Tess is looking forward to the term. Just for iSchool students she is also doing 4 weeks of storytime workshops in October. She is always encouraging her students to sign up for BCLA while they are still students. Teaches her students about professional organization. Would like Rhiannon to come to one of her classes via Zoom to talk about YAACS.
- You can email ubcyaacs@gmail.com if you are interested in joining the UBC iSchool Liaisons

- Rhiannon W - Kate and I are also looking at reaching out to reps from other library schools in the area (Langara, Fraser Valley etc.)

Red Cedar Book Award (Marilyn MacPherson / Jenna Lawrence)

- No updates

4. Continuing Business

YAACS Registration Reminder

- We need to have our membership represent 10% of BCLA membership
- Please ensure that you have selected YAACS as part of your membership on BCLA website. Instructions to do so can be found in YAACING
- Discussed the membership payments
- Rhiannon W - we are open to suggestions or questions about how we can reduce barriers. Let's keep the discussion going.

5. New Business

Virtual Continuing Ed Coordinator Position

- Rhiannon W. - Is this a position that people would be interested in having? This might be a good way for people to have that interaction with other library staff and students across the province. May help to reduce barriers for people who are unable to travel to certain locations.

Review of Constitution and Bylaws

- Rhiannon W. - We are looking at doing a review of our Constitution and Bylaws this year. YAACS is not required to have C & B, we only need to have a Terms of Reference, but we need to be mindful of the fact that a lot of work went into creating the C&B so we need to work mindfully as we reassess their need.

Rhiannon W - Asked for a motion to adjourn

TP - made a motion

EG - seconded

Passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 8:32pm