BCLA Project Advisory Group (PAG) Meeting Minutes

March 28, 2023

Members: Abi Ward (joined 10:45 am), Christian Isbister, Courtney Miller, Dalia Levy, Josh Chan, Emily Guerrero, Todd Mundle (BCLA President), Tracey Therrien (BCLA Incoming President), Rina Hadziev (BCLA Executive Director), Adeline Huynh (The Commons), Kathleen Yang (The Commons)

Regrets:, Aditi Gupta, Laurie Angus, Sajni Lacey, Sarah Tarcea

Agenda Items:

- 1. Check In what are you looking forward to as Spring begins?
- 2. Review Conference Presentation Outline

Review of the revised format and content. Looking for feedback, especially:

- How does PAG want to be acknowledged? After discussion: acknowledge at end with a slide with names and group verbal acknowledgement, with those who are present invited to stand
- Should there be 1 or 2 menti questions after each case study?
 - Focus on BCLA opportunities to provide support? Focus on personal and systemic interventions? Both?
 - People will likely find personal easier/more engaging
 - Systemic/sector role approach may be best The Commons and BCLA can interpret into plan for BCLA afterward, leaves space for individuals and libraries to see what action they can take
 - Identify the issues first and then decide what the actions needs to be
- Changes from original version to reflect tensions
 - Tension between what BCLA's role is/what it can do and local library autonomy - highlighted by the fact that people responded to survey included both BCLA, local library, and sector experiences
 - Tension between systemic and individual responses and strategies to address racism

- Sharing resource on white dominant culture
- Will include next steps for this work (short term) and Todd as convenor will reconfirm that BCLA will be continuing this work, this is just the beginning, and that the Board remains committed to this work and has allocated budget to support it.
- 3. Next Steps for the PAG
 - a. Completing the final report and recommendations by May 23
 - b. Next meeting, June 6 at 10am
 - c. Reflecting on the work survey