



**British Columbia  
Library Association**  
British Columbia Library Association  
Annual General Meeting  
Saturday, May 12, 2012 9:00 am  
Westminster Rooms 1-2-3, Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel  
7551 Westminster Highway, Richmond, BC

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**Presiding:** Christopher Kevlahan, President

**Parliamentarian:** Todd Mundle

**Recording Secretary:** David Karppinen

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**1. Opening Remarks**

Christopher Kevlahan, BCLA President, called the meeting to order at 9:02 am.

**2. Establishment of Quorum**

Quorum was confirmed.

**3. Motion to Adopt Agenda**

One new item was added to the agenda as item #5.3: *Appointment of Auditors*.

***Moved by Marjorie Mitchell, Seconded by Charles Hogg:***

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented and amended.

**CARRIED**

**4. Consent Agenda**

The consent agenda contained the following items:

*4.1 Minutes of the 2011 Annual General Meeting – Saturday, April 9, 2011*

*4.2 PNLA President's Message to BCLA*

*4.3 Nominations Committee Report*

*4.4 Awards Committee Report*

*4.5 Resolutions Committee Report*

***Moved by Sybil Harrison, Seconded by Chris Middlemass:***

THAT the consent agenda be approved and adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**5. Financial Status of the Association**

*5.1 Treasurer's Report*

Debbie Schachter provided the report.

***Moved by Desiree Baron, Seconded by Ursula Brigl:***



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THAT the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

*5.2 Call for Motion to Adopt Auditor's Statement*

**Moved by Anne Olsen, Seconded by Chris Middlemass:**

THAT the Audited Financial Statements for 2011 be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

*5.3 Appointment of Auditors*

**Moved by Chris Middlemass, Seconded by Lynn Copeland:**

THAT Collins Barrow be appointed as auditors for 2012.

**CARRIED**

**6. Resolutions**

*6.1 Evidence of Provincial Funding for BC Public Libraries*

The resolution was amended at the suggestion of Sharon Freeman to add the word *public* in front of the second instance of the word *libraries*.

**Moved by Fiona Anderson, Seconded by Miriam Moses:**

WHEREAS the libraries in British Columbia are important to the quality of life, lifelong learning and social fabric of the communities throughout the province of British Columbia,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the British Columbia Library Association strongly advocate that the Provincial Government specifically recognize the broader mandate of public libraries in British Columbia and reinstate the line item in the provincial budget.

**CARRIED as amended**

*6.2 Save Libraries and Archives Canada*

**Moved by Carla Graebner, Seconded by Shawna Kristin:**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the British Columbia Library Association support the CAUT campaign to save LAC and encourage BCLA members to write letters to restore funding and mandate to LAC.

**CARRIED**



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*6.3 On Access Copyright and Academic Libraries in Canada*

**Moved by Heather Morrison, Seconded by Niina Mitter:** WHEREAS In 2011, over 30 Canadian universities and colleges opted out of licensing agreements with Access Copyright, The Canadian Copyright Licensing Agency, due to both Access Copyright's significant increase in per student fees as well as the introduction of what many considered to be intrusive and impractical monitoring requirements, and

WHEREAS In January 2012, two universities, the University of Toronto and the University of Western Ontario entered into a voluntary licensing agreement with Access Copyright, and

WHEREAS in April 2012, AUCC , one of the two recognized interveners in the Copyright Board of Canada hearings on the Post-Secondary Tariff, entered into an agreement with Access Copyright on a 'model' license that it (AUCC) is recommending to its member institutions even though that model license still retains many of the factors that were objected to in the Tariff application, and

WHEREAS in April 2012, AUCC withdrew its objection to the Post-Secondary Tariff, and

WHEREAS from a library perspective, one of the most troubling aspects of the deal signed with Access Copyright is that it gives Access Copyright additional rights that simply do not exist under Canada's copyright legislation, specifically, defining copying to include "posting a link or hyperlink to a digital copy", a definition not upheld by the Supreme Court of Canada, and

WHEREAS the Newfoundland and Labrador Library Association "strongly urges universities and colleges, particularly those in Newfoundland and in Atlantic Canada, not to capitulate to Access Copyright's unfair and unreasonable demands", and

WHEREAS The Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT) is also condemning the agreement, advising universities and colleges that "It's time to stand up for the right to fair and reasonable access to copyrighted works for educational purposes,"

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the British Columbia Library Association strongly urge universities and colleges, particularly those in British Columbia, not to capitulate to Access Copyright's unfair and unreasonable demands, but rather to stand up for the right to fair and reasonable access to copyrighted works for educational purposes. In particular, BCLA supports and applauds BC postsecondary institutions that have elected to opt out of Access Copyright and chosen alternative methods of supporting fair and balanced copyright at their institutions, and encourages all BC post-secondary institutions to opt out of Access Copyright. Any BC post-secondary institutions that choose not to opt out of Access Copyright are strongly encouraged, before signing, to strike out audit requirements that compromise the privacy of faculty, staff or students, and the clause which defines linking as copying, and to proactively negotiate a more reasonable rate. BCLA might pursue this Resolution through such means as sending letters to the Presidents of BC's post-secondary institutions and educating BCLA members.



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Acknowledgement: this resolution is based on the Open Letter: Access Copyright and Academic Libraries in Canada crafted by the Newfoundland and Labrador Library Association, dated February 12, 2012.

**CARRIED**

*6.4 Establishing the Library Technicians' and Assistants' Section of BCLA*  
**Moved by Tamarack Hockin, Seconded by Vaunda Dumont:**

WHEREAS it is the desire of the Library Technicians' and Assistants' Interest Group to form the Library Technicians' and Assistants' Section of the British Columbia Library Association in order to better meet the needs of library technicians and assistants throughout British Columbia; and

WHEREAS ten per cent (10%) of British Columbia Library Association members in good standing have signed a petition indicating their support for this initiative; and

WHEREAS the Board of Directors of the British Columbia Library Association has deemed the aims, Constitution and By-laws of the proposed Library Technicians' and Assistants' Section to be in harmony with the objectives of the British Columbia Library Association:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Library Technicians' and Assistants' Section be established as a valid Section of the British Columbia Library Association, with all of the accompanying duties, responsibilities, and privileges.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*6.4.1. Proposed Constitution and By-Laws for LTAS*

**Moved by Tamarack Hockin, Seconded by Debbie Schachter:**

THAT the proposed constitution and by-laws for the Library Technicians' and Assistants' Section be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

## **7. Awards Presentation**

The list of award recipients is appended at the end of these minutes.

## **8. Introduction of 2012/13 Board**

Christopher Kevlahan introduced the members of the Board for 2012/2013.

## **9. President's Report**

Christopher Kevlahan presented his report and introduced June Stockdale, incoming president. The report is appended in its entirety at the end of these minutes.



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#### **10. Incoming President's Report**

June Stockdale addressed the meeting. The address is appended in its entirety at the end of these minutes.

#### **11. New Business**

No new business was reported.

#### **12. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:17 am.

## **2012 Awards**

### **Ken Haycock Student Conference Award**

Nicole Brazeau

### **Honourary Life Membership**

Margaret Friesen

### **BCLA President's Award**

Debbie Schachter

### **Merit Awards**

**Programs or Services:** Vancouver Public Library for the First Nations Storyteller in Residence program.

**Building Projects:** Brown Family House of Learning, Thompson Rivers University.

**Advocacy or Marketing:** Prince George Public Library for their campaign "CKPG Commercials."

### **Academic Librarians in Public Service Award for Outstanding Service**

Jan Gattrell from UBC.

### **Young Adult and Children's Services Section Award**

Allison Taylor McBryde and Sharon Freeman.



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President's Report, Christopher Kevlahan:

<http://bclabrowser.ca/index.php/browser/article/view/428/504>

Incoming President's Report, June Stockdale:

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