

BCLA Board Meeting Monday, February 5th, 2018
Boardroom, 900 Howe Street, 9:30 am to 12:00 pm
Teleconference Numbers:

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ITEM ACTION ATTACHMENT

Present: Anne Olsen, Annette DeFaveri, Stephanie Kripps, Allison Comrie, Kate Sloan, Chris Middlemass, Daphne Wood, Lin Brander, Bronwen Spout, Shirley Lew, Tim

McMillan, Ali de Haan Phone: Sarah Harrison

Regrets: Thom Knutson, Krissy Bublitz

Minutes: Lilian Pintos

#### 1. Call to Order (Anne Olsen)

Anne called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

#### 2. Adoption of the Regular Agenda (Anne Olsen)

Anne requested that the Reform of Freedom of Information Legislation Request from FIPA (B.C. Freedom of Information and Privacy Association) be discussed prior to the presentation of the oral reports.

MOVED by Lin, SECONDED by Kate that the regular agenda be adopted as amended.

### 3. Welcoming Remarks (Anne Olsen)

Anne acknowledged that we are gathered on the unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations.

# 4. Values Statement Review (Chris Middlemass, Kate Sloan, Annette DeFaveri).... $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$

Chris and Kate explained that the review included an assessment of the scope of our values statement, as well as removing outdated language that may be restrictive. Kate added that this review presented an opportunity for increased specificity and clarity on the Association's values and priorities.



Daphne commended the working group for including a section on our commitment to advocating for policies and resources to support members in addressing various challenges in their communities and in the wider library community. She remarked that it speaks to our moral responsibility to support members without being limited by geographic borders.

The Board engaged in a discussion of the document and provided a few editorial suggestions.

Anne thanked the group for their excellent work.

## 5. "Every Member an Advocate" Advocacy Campaign (Chris Middlemass, Kate Sloan, Daphne Wood)

Kate explained this campaign will grow out of the Values Statement, and the intention is to provide members with a toolkit to support an "elevator speech" to use with multiple stakeholders. She noted the distinction between advocacy and marketing, and noted that using the toolkit can support stakeholders and members with transparent, clear, and effective communication.

Once the Board approves a new Values Statement the "Every Member an Advocate" campaign will be introduced.

# 6. Provincial Connectivity Committee report (Annette DeFaveri)......√ (Action required from December Board Meeting)

Annette updated the Board on the Provincial Connectivity Committee, and has suggested that there be BCLA representation in this committee. She has learned that this committee has not been formed as topic experts have not been identified. This Committee is the responsibility of the Libraries Branch and as such we can ask to be represented, but cannot make the decision to be represented.

#### 7. Letter to PNLA (Anne Olsen)

Annette explained that BCLA is a member of various library associations, including PNLA. PNLA have requested a committed BCLA liaison to work closely with them. The Board discussed this possibility and decided that while we will be glad to remain members of the PNLA, we currently do not have the capacity to offer this support.



MOVED by Chris, SECONDED by Stephanie that the Board approve that Annette and Anne will send communication to PNLA indicating our stance.

#### **Coffee Break**

### 8. CFLA-FCAB Intellectual Freedom Committee, Board Rep needed (Anne Olsen)

Anne explained that while BCLA would ideally be represented in this federal committee, she has yet to receive an expression of interest from members. The Board discussed whether to continue the search for a representative amongst the members, or to accept no BCLA representation in this committee. Shirley suggested that we continue reaching out to potential candidates. Annette is to provide a candidate name to CFLA-FCAB by February 9th, and invited the Board to put forward names of potential candidates.

#### 9. National GLAM Update: Daphne Wood

In reference to LAC's symposium in Toronto last week, Daphne explained that the BCLA historic MOU was one of the feature topics in the symposium, which featured BC and Nova Scotia. She noted that BCLA was noted and recognized for the partnership work currently taking place, including the continuous removal of barriers so that this work may continue. A toolkit will be ready in March, and will be meant to support people and organizations to strengthen their partnerships. This document will be shared with members for feedback and will constitute a living document.

Anne thanked Daphne for all her great work.

#### 10. BC Digital Library Update: (Shirley Lew and Bronwen Sprout)

Bronwen explained that the BC Digital Library is undergoing a shift in focus towards a business-strategy approach. This involves the assessment of existing operational models, governance, sustainability, and funding. A survey has been sent out to determine gaps, collaboration opportunities, and funding sources. The report is set to be released in the spring. Shirley mentioned that the process has been as important as the concept, and that the main concern is finalizing the logistics and ensuring that this is a sustainable project.



Daphne commended Bronwen and Shirley for their ongoing thorough assessment of the project's viability.

Anne thanked Bronwen and Shirley for the update.

#### 11.

a) CELA: Interlink Request: (Anne Olsen and Annette DeFaveri) <a href="http://vancouversun.com/news/local-news/blind-b-c-womans-access-to-audio-books-threatened-by-political-flap">http://vancouversun.com/news/local-news/blind-b-c-womans-access-to-audio-books-threatened-by-political-flap</a>

Annette indicated that a request was received from an Interlink, asking if BCLA would be amenable to advocating for provincial funding on behalf of CELA. The Board discussed this possibility and concluded that while we support equitable access, we do not advocate for a specific delivery model.

Annette and Anne will draft a summary of the discussion and distribute it to the Board for feedback, then relay the message to Interlink.

## b) BCLA endorsement of the Request for Review of the Freedom of Information & Privacy Legislation

The request was submitted by Vincent Gogolek, Executive Director of FIPA BC. The Board discussed the possibility of this endorsement and decided against taking action at this time as they didn't feel they had enough information.

#### 12. Verbal Reports

#### a) President's Report:

Anne provided an update on the CFLA AGM, noting that there were a number of CFLA items highlighted, including the work from Copyright Committee, the Truth and Reconciliation Committee, the Indigenous Matters Committee that emerged from it, as well as other business matters.

#### b) Executive Director's Report: Annette DeFaveri

Annette mentioned that the Conference preparation is going well. The early bird trade show registration has recently closed at 53 booths this year, which is a very good indicator. Annette thanked Chris and Shannon for all their work.



Annette noted that the Ministry of Education has provided \$7000 in sponsorship for the Conference and CUPE 391is supporting the conference with \$5,000 in sponsorship money. Registration will open to members on February 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Consent Agenda**

Items on the Consent Agenda will be voted on as a group. At the request of a Board Member a consent item may be separated from the group and discussed by the Board.

#### 13. Minutes from the December 4<sup>th</sup> 2017 Board Meetin......√

MOVED by Daphne, SECONDED by Kate that the December 4, 2017 Board minutes be carried as presented.

#### 14. Closing Remarks (Anne Olsen)

Anne thanked the Board for their time and their contributions and indicated that the next Board meeting will take place April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

#### 15. Adjournment (Anne Olsen)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:19 p.m.

MOVED by Chris, SECONDED by Tim that the meeting be adjourned.