
**Meeting Minutes – March 30, 2011 7:00 pm, Vancouver Public
Library, Kitsilano Branch**

Minutes Prepared By: Meghan
Radomske

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<i>Name</i>	<i>Department./Division</i>	<i>E-mail</i>	<i>Present/Regrets</i>
Sarah Donald	Chair	sdonald@westvanlibrary.ca	present
Susan Redmond	Past Chair	sredmond@fvrl.bc.ca	present
Darby Love	Vice-Chair	darbyl@ymail.com	present
Kate Lowe	Co-Secretary	kate.lowe@vpl.ca	regrets
Meghan Radomske	Co-Secretary	meghanradomske@gmail.com	present
Chris Conroy	Continuing Education Coordinator (Lower Mainland)	chrisconroy@shaw.ca	present
Tracy Kendrick	Continuing Education Coordinator (Vancouver Island)	tkendrick@gvpl.ca	regrets
Noreen Ma	Red Cedar Liaison	nma75@shaw.ca	regrets
Ellen Wu	Co-SLAIS Liaison	mellenycwu@gmail.com	regrets
Sara Hathaway	Co-SLAIS Liaison	hathawse@gmail.com	present
Francesca de Freitas	Website Administrator	francescaalexandra@gmail.com	present
Rachel Balko	Incoming SLAIS Liaison	rbalko@interchange.ubc.ca	present
Pamela Fairfield	Membership Secretary/ YAACING co editor	prfairfield@yahoo.ca	regrets
Mary Locke	BC Teacher Librarian Assn. Liaison	mlocke@telus.net	regrets
Phillippa Brown	Vancouver Island Representative	pbrown@gvpl.ca	regrets

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April Ens	Website Administrator/ YAACING Co-Editor	april.ens@vpl.ca	present

Meeting Notes, Decisions, Issues

Meeting called to order	7:09pm
Approval of Agenda	Susan recommended we add a discussion point about new executive recruitment to the agenda. Agenda approved 7:10pm
Agenda item 1	
Agenda item 2	We did introductions to meet the incoming SLAIS Rep, Rachel Balko.
Introductions	
Action	Each person communicated their YAACS position.
Agenda item 3 BCLA Update	Because BCLA is losing \$40,000 with new budget, they are looking at making some changes to cut costs including always holding the conference in the lower mainland and holding the conference bi-annually. They are looking for a venue for next year's conference. In order to afford BCLA staff, BCLA may need to cut back hours. Sarah and Darby encouraged us to think of what role YAACS will play if we are no longer on the board and how we can continue to have a strong voice. BCLA is also starting an LGBTQ Interest Group.
Action	YAACS members will brainstorm our goals and ideas for how we would like to represent ourselves to BCLA in the future for discussion at the post-AGM meeting.
Agenda item 4 BCLA Conference & AGM Update	YAACS AGM will be held Friday, April 8 th at 12pm, location to be disclosed. Susan is not receiving YAACS list-serv emails, and Chris suggested that it might be a shaw issue. Els Kushner will give Summer Reading Club update at YAACS AGM. The AGM will be quite informal, as it was last year, and we will ask for ideas from those in attendance for discussion points. Sarah reported that anyone not registered for the conference is apparently not allowed in the venue. This could be problematic for people wishing to attend our AGM. Susan would like to be registered for a guest for \$75 so that she can attend the YAACS AGM and be at our YAACS table.
Action	Sarah/Darby will email YAACS list-serv the AGM location and April will post to website. Meghan will review minutes from last AGM to put together short AGM

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			<p>agenda. Sarah will let Alane (?) know that we will have drop-ins attending our YAACS AGM who will not be registered for the conference.</p>
<p>Agenda Item 5 BCLA's Membership Survey/Re- visioning project (YAACS goals)</p>			<p>YAACS needs to formulate clear goals to communicate to BCLA during the re-visioning project. Francesca suggested we come up with a plan for our communications, particularly web communications, once we've decided what YAACS wants to achieve this year. Susan recommends that we ask Vicki Donoghue to attend the discussion as she's got lots of ideas for YAACS. Sarah emphasizes how we should be collaborating with other BCLA groups as we have limited knowledge of what they are planning. We discussed the idea of setting up a blog and Chris stated that she has the contact information for the person responsible for our wiki and would be able to contact him if we decide to set up a different blog.</p>
Action			<p>YAACS Executive members will brainstorm goals for YAACS to discuss at meeting following the AGM.</p>
<p>Agenda item 6 Fundraising/ Silent Auction for Sheila Egoff Book Prize</p>			<p>Sarah has 5 boxes of silent auction items that Judi Saltman helped collect. She will organize them for next week and Susan may come over/call to assist. Sarah is wondering how to divide the books into appropriate groupings and April suggested making them thematic and keeping some aside for future fundraising. We have a place to store items at the conference. Our goal is to raise \$1000 (we raised \$250 last year). The prize is \$3000 and funds raised will support future years. Sara reported that Judi spoke with Kathy Shoemaker who has lots of experience with fundraising and may be willing to offer her services in the future.</p>
Action			<p>Sarah will put 10 silent auction packages together and use silent auction template that Meghan sent to Chris to list starting bids and increments. Sarah and Susan will write thank-you letters to all those who donated, regardless of whether their donation was used at this fundraiser or saved for a future fundraiser. Meghan volunteered to help with this too. Susan plans to be at the YAACS desk for the vast duration of the conference so she is happy to staff the table when others are unavailable.</p>
<p>Agenda item 7 Interlink Workshop/ Continuing Ed Possibilities</p>			<p>Chris says there are 15 people currently registered for May's Rhyme Time Workshop including 6 new technicians at Surrey Libraries. Chris needs to find out if they are BCLA/YAACS members to determine fees. Chris emailed info to YAACS list-serv. Sarah suggests also contacting Interlink committee.</p>

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(Rhyme Time Workshop in May and Fall Signing Workshop)	Workshop will have room for 30. Sara reports that SLAIS students are interested in attending, but have been too busy to find their rhymes. Chris recommends confirming your attendance with her before you have your rhymes ready. Our next workshop is scheduled for the fall. Chris has been communicating with the Signing Instructor Sharon Cooper who charges \$400 for a 2-3hr session. It will be a cost-recovery event and any extra money raised will offset costs of future workshops or go towards book prize. Sharon is available the week of Sept 12 or Sept 19. Sharon does introductory sign language including poems, songs, body language, and facial expressions. Cooper will supply the master copy of all handouts to YAACS and we will have to provide copies for all attendees. Susan suggested we gear this towards people who offer babytimes and Sarah suggested we extend the event to Early Childhood Educators if there is room. We may have enough interest to hold two sessions. April reported that all VPL Children’s Librarians meet on the first Tuesday of the month, so that would be an ideal day for the workshop. Darby suggested Surrey Libraries as good location for the event.		
Action	Chris will send out an additional reminder about Rhyme Time workshop to YAACS and Interlink list-servs. Chris will find a venue for the fall signing workshop. Chris will email acting head of Children’s at VPL, Julie Iannacone, and Head at Surrey Libraries, Sara Grant, about the workshop.		
Agenda item 8 Collaborating with BCLA Continuing Ed Committee	Allison Richardson of the BCLA Continuing Education Committee contacted Sarah and Chris about collaborating to create online teen workshops/webinars. Sarah confirmed that we would be interested in working with them and Chris provided more information about BCLA’s different committees and how they work together. Susan mentioned how YAACS tends to focus on events/workshops for young children. We haven’t had a teen event in a long time. We may have to set goals for incorporating more teen workshops into our yearly plans. Susan volunteered to act as liaison at BCLA Continuing Ed Committee meetings. Francesca interested in learning Elluminate Learning Webinar software.		
Action	Sarah will confirm with Allison that we are interested in co-hosting a teen workshop webinar with them. She will CC Darby, Chris, and incoming Vice-Chair Sara. Sarah will ask if Susan/Chris can attend their meetings and invite them to attend YAACS meetings.		
Agenda item 9 Teacher-Librarian Update	Update cancelled as Mary was not there.		
Agenda item 10	BC Books for Babies meeting was cancelled so Francesca’s update was brief:		

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Books for BC Babies Update	We weren't able to raise provincial funding, but many public libraries across BC had program sponsored by local credit unions and Steve Nash Foundation. Francesca is not sure what the financial situation will be for next year. Sarah suggested we send letter to BC Premier about the program, emphasizing premier's focus on putting families first.		
Action	Darby will draft letter to Premier and send to BCLA for review first.		
Agenda item 11 Red Cedar Awards Update	Noreen sent email to April explaining that voting for the Red Cedar and Stellar Awards will run April 28 to May 5. Winners will be announced on May 6.		
Agenda item 12 YAACING Update	April and Pamela are happy with the issues both in content and streamlined appearance. April would be delighted to get more content from Vancouver Island and Northern BC. April suggests we all send her short book reviews to include.		
Action	YAACS members will send in short book reviews to YAACING.		
Agenda item 13 UBC YAACS Update/YAACS Salon	YAACS Salon on March 29 was a success with 25 people present, including guest speakers April, Sarah, Noreen, Andrea Brown, and Shannon Ozirny phoning in to the panel. The topic was job searching and transitioning into work as children's librarians. Sara received positive feedback from students.		
Agenda item 14 New YAACS Executive Members Update	Susan passed out the list of new YAACS members for 2011-2012, which still has 3 openings. Bylaws indicating the responsibilities of each position are listed on our website: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incoming Chair: Darby Love • Incoming Vice-Chair: Sara Hathaway • Incoming Past Chair: Sarah Donald • Continuing Secretary: Meghan Radomske • Continuing YAACING Editors: April Ens and Pamela Fairfield • Continuing Continuing Education Coordinator for Lower Mainland: Chris Conroy • Incoming Continuing Education Coordinator for Vancouver Island: POSITION OPEN • Continuing BCTLA/BCTF Representation: Mary Locke • Continuing Red Cedar Liaison: Noreen Ma • Incoming Vancouver Island Representative: Jennifer Windecker • Incoming SLAIS Liaison: Rachel Balko • Continuing SLAIS Liaison: Ellen Wu • Incoming Membership Secretary: POSITION OPEN • Continuing Website Administrator: Francesca de Freitas 		

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Incoming Website Administrator: POSITION OPEN• Incoming Member-at-Large: Kate Lowe	
Agenda item 15	We will meet after the AGM in May.		
Next Meeting Details			
Action	Darby will set May meeting date and location and let us know.		
Meeting Adjourned	8:30pm		