

ACS October Section Meeting

Friday, October 6, 7:00-8:00 pm

Virtual Zoom Meeting

Attendees: Emily Gow, Rhiannon Wallace, Francesca de Freitas, Stephanie Usher, Kayla Morin, Pippa Rogers, Veronica Blott, Sabrina Gurniak, Alexis McKenzie, Selena Cho, Sadie Tucker, Karen Sharkey, Sarah Bagshaw, Jackie (Nelson), Marilyn MacPherson, Andria Huculak

1. Approval of agenda

Motion to approve agenda: RW, seconded by PR

2. Approval of minutes from our April 20, 2023 ASM

Motion to approve minutes: AH, seconded by SG

3. Committee/ Rep Updates

- Incoming president: Rachel Rosenberg - Children's Librarian at VPL
- Upcoming Dates (posted on website):
 - YSI April 12th - Virtual - BCLA Zoom account is pre-booked
 - Meetings are all listed on our website (December 8, January 12, April 12)
- Studio Novu: logo/branding, VCC student/faculty design studio, invited by BCLA to participate in rebrand
- Sign up for YAACS on the BCLA website! Click YAACS button on your BCLA profile
- Sign up for forum notifications! Click check mark to subscribe, can condense to a weekly update if prefer
- Vacant positions (thank you to everyone who has done these roles in the past!)
 - YAACING Editor
 - YAACING Creative Director
 - Chair of the Awards Committee
 - Continuing Education Coordinators (main role is now supporting YSI)
 - UBC Student Liason
- Email yaacsbcc@gmail.com if interested or have questions
- No longer have Secretary, Incoming President now takes minutes
- Vacant positions will be promoted on YAACS social media

4. Committee/ Rep Updates

YAACS Awards Committee (Vacant)

No updates

YAACING Newsletter (Emily Gow, Sabrina Gurniak)

- Working on Middle Years issue, looking for submissions; flexible deadline, email yaacing@gmail.com
- Anyone can submit as long as they work with youth (ask your colleagues!)
- Just got Canva Pro to make editing even easier

Continuing Education (Tess Prendergast, Jackie Barber)

- SU reporting on Teen Meetup: high registration, low attendance; talked about summer programs, changes to positions/departments, how to get teens more involved in libraries

BCTLA/BCTF Representative (Holly Broadland)

Updates from HB:

We are gearing up for our annual conference, the biggest event of the year for our organization. We welcome public librarians to register for either our in person or online option. The BCTLA will also be celebrating DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) on Monday, October 23rd. Our members often celebrate different events throughout the year and we've put together a Social Justice calendar as a resource (<https://bctla.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Social-Justice-Calendar-2023-2024.docx.pdf>). We've started posting to our Instagram account again and invite you to follow us at <https://www.instagram.com/bctlaofficial/>. We're also on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/bctlaofficial/>) and Twitter (<https://twitter.com/bctla>).

Register for the BCTLA Conference 2023 now! The BC Teacher-Librarians' Association's annual conference is coming up in two weeks. This year's theme is "The Social Justice League: BC Teacher-Librarian Edition" and we'd love to have you join us either in person or online.

Date: Friday, October 20th, 2023

Format: Hybrid, both in-person and online workshops available

Location: Kwantlen Park Secondary School, Surrey and via Zoom

<https://www.bctlaconference.ca/>

Keynote: Mina Mercury

The BCTLA is pleased to announce that Canadian Drag Artist, Mina Mercury, will be this year's conference keynote speaker. Mina will perform Drag Queen Story Time for participants, and speak about the importance of freedom of expression in schools.

Post-Secondary Liaisons

UBC: Tess Prendergast (faculty liaison)

- Currently no student liaisons

Langara: Francesca de Freitas (faculty liaison)

- Next week or so will send info out to students
- New group coming into school in January; hoping to get interest in liaison position sooner

UFV: Selena Cho, Kayla Morin, Karen Sharkey (faculty liaison)

- Plan to start social media posts and social gatherings in new year
- Interested in connecting with liaisons at other schools for inspiration

Red Cedar Book Award (Marilyn MacPherson)

- Voting for Red Cedar takes place around May, release date is June
- Also currently promoting Chocolate Lily Awards
- Anyone is welcome to volunteer with Red Cedar
- Will talk to faculty liaisons about potential partnerships
- Goal to serve rural areas in BC; program is expanding

Website and Social Media Administrator (Sadie Tucker)

- Send to yaacsweb@gmail.com or Sadie's work account if you have anything you want posted on social media; another way to reach people who aren't watching forum
- Website has section that gives links to Social Media platforms

5. Roundtable Introductions

6. Adjourn

- Next meeting is December 8th. The link will be shared on the forum, so make sure you have signed-up for updates.

Motion to adjourn: SU, seconded by SG

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm