

MINUTES - 2015 Annual General Meeting

Room 2001, Bruneau Centre - Memorial University of Newfoundland

Wednesday, June 10, 2015 11:10am

Executive present: Catherine Lawton, Amanda Tiller-Hackett, Amanda Power, Krista Godfrey, Ryan Lewis, Heather Pretty (minutes), Crystal Rose

NLLA members present: Alison Ambi, Patti Bryant, Jewel Cousens, Karen Darby, Susan Fry (by proxy to C. Lawton), Krista Howell, Beth Maddigan, Shannon McAlorum, Stacey Penney, Wendy Rodgers, Crystal Rose, Kate Shore, Anna Swanson, Kristen Romme

1) Approval of Agenda

Approved.

2) Approval of Past Minutes: October 2014 General Meeting

No additions or corrections. Approved as written.

3) Business Arising

No business arising from minutes.

- 4) Regular Reports:
 - a. President's Report Catherine Lawton

Catherine Lawton thanked Heather Pretty who is stepping in as Secretary for one year beginning with this Annual General Meeting until next year when a new Secretary will be elected. As NLLA President, Catherine attended Partnership meetings in the Fall. The Partnership is an association of associations hosted from the Ontario Library Association. The main goals of the Partnership are professional development and continuing education. The Canadian Library Association has recognized that the Partnership serves an important purpose and CLA representatives approached the Partnership and its member associations to arrange a meeting to discuss how CLA might change as an organization to remain relevant as a representative for Canadian libraries and archives at a national and international level. Crystal Rose was the Atlantic Provinces' representative to that meeting.

b. Treasurer's Report - Rebecca Smith

Rebecca Smith reported that NLLA is still in good standing. The proposed budget was not circulated previously (distributed at the meeting); it shows a little less in revenue than in some years, but still on the plus side. Conveners of the LTAIG conference were able to get everything they needed for the conference through donations. The proposed budget is flexible and also provides funding for awards, contests, and other similar needs (e.g., Library Month). Dean Seeman again agreed to audit the books and found everything in order.

Treasurer's Report as submitted:

Treasurer's Annual Report 2014/2015 **Newfoundland & Labrador Library Association**

Prepared by Becky Smith – March 31, 2015

Balance March 31, 2014	\$8,139.12
Revenues	
GENERAL	
Personal Memberships	\$520.00
Institutional Memberships	\$300.00
Joint Memberships - NLLA/APLA	\$350.00
Subtotal	\$1,170.00
CONFERENCE	
2014 Spring General Conference Registration	\$1,465.00
2014 Spring General Conference Donations	\$0.00
2015 Spring General Conference Donations	\$500.00
LTAIG Conference Registration	\$0.00
LTAIG Conference Donations	\$650.00
Subtotal	\$2,615.00
ROYALTIES	
The Partnership Job Board (BCLA)	\$142.13
The Partnership-Education Institute (OLA)	\$192.00
Continuing Education Certificate	\$0.00
Subtotal	\$334.13
OTHER	40.00
Donations	\$0.00
Merchandise Sales	\$0.00
Interest	\$3.83
Subtotal	\$3.83

TOTAL REVENUE	\$4,122.96
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Expenses

	SHIP

Joint memberships remitted - APLA	(\$50.00)
Subtotal	(\$50.00)

CONFERENCE

Spring Conference	(\$1,632.32)
2015 Spring Conference	(\$500.00)
LTAIG Conference	(\$545.10)
Subtotal	(\$2,677.42)

DONATIONS/ AWARDS

MUN Research Fair	\$0.00
Hackmatack	(\$250.00)
other	

(\$250.00) Subtotal

AWARDS

Subtotal	(\$175.00)
CLM Contest Award	(\$25.00)
LTAIG Bursary	(\$150.00)

OTHER

CLM supplies	\$0.00
Postage	\$0.00
Social events - Happenings/PD	\$0.00
Freedom to Read week	\$0.00
Domain/Web hosting	\$0.00
Post Office box	(\$169.50)
Supplies	\$0.00
Bank fees	(\$59.66)
Miscellaneous	
Subtotal	(\$229.16)

TOTAL EXPENDITURES	(\$3,381.58)
TOTAL REVENUES	\$4,122.96
REVENUES - EXPENDITURES	\$741.38

New Balance	\$8,880.50
Investments	
TD Canada Trust GIC (cashable at any time)	
Principal	\$1,520.39
Interest rate	0.80%
Accrued interest	\$1.63
Dec. 31/14 value	\$1,522.02

Proposed Budget as submitted:

Newfoundland and Labrador Library Association Budget Proposal 2015-2016 Prepared by – Becky Smith, Treasurer

Revenues	2014-2015 Subtotals	2015-2016 Proposed
MEMBERSHIP		
Personal Memberships		\$700.00
Institutional Memberships		\$300.00
Joint Memberships - NLLA/APLA		\$360.00
Subtotal	\$1,170.00	\$1,360.00
CONFERENCE		
2015 Spring General Conference		
Registration		\$1,800.00
2015 Spring General Conference Donations		\$500.00
LTAIG Conference Registration		\$100.00
LTAIG Conference Donations		\$500.00
Subtotal	\$2,615.00	\$2,900.00
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ROYALTIES		
The Partnership Job Board (BCLA)		\$150.00
The Partnership-Education Institute (OLA)		\$150.00
Continuing Education Certificate		\$30.00
Subtotal	\$334.13	\$330.00
OTHER		
Donations		\$0.00
Merchandise Sales		\$0.00
Interest		\$4.00
Subtotal	\$3.83	\$4.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$4,122.96	\$4,594.00

Expenses

MEMBERSHIP		
Joint memberships remitted - APLA		-\$50.00
Subtotal	-\$50.00	-\$50.00
CONFERENCE		
Spring Conference		-\$1,800.00
LTAIG Conference		-\$600.00
Subtotal	-\$2,677.42	-\$2,400.00
DONATIONS		
DONATIONS MUNICIPALITY		\$400.00
MUN Research Fair		-\$100.00
Hackmatack		-\$250.00
other (specify)		\$0.00
Subtotal	-\$250.00	-\$350.00
NLLA Scholarships/Bursaries/Awards		
LTAIG		-\$500.00
CLM/Freedom 2 Read week awards		-\$150.00
Subtotal	-\$175.00	-\$650.00
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OTHER		
CLM supplies		-\$500.00
Postage		-\$200.00
Social events - Happenings/PD		-\$90.00
Domain/Web hosting		-\$50.00
Post Office box		-\$180.00
Supplies		-\$30.00
Bank fees		-\$60.00
Miscellaneous		-\$34.00
Subtotal	-\$229.16	-\$1,144.00
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	-\$3,381.58	-\$4,594.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$4,122.96	\$4,594.00
REVENUES - EXPENDITURES	\$741.38	\$0.00

c. Director's Reports:

 i. Director of Professional Development and Events – Amanda Power Nothing to add to the report.
 As submitted:

This report details the activities and events that have taken place under three NLLA committees (Happenings, Canadian Library Month, and Freedom to Read Week) since the NLLA's AGM in April of 2014. It also provides updates from the NLLA's EI (Education Institute) and CEC (Continuing Education Certificate) representative for the same time period.

If you are interested in participating in the Happenings Committee, the Freedom to Read Week Committee, or the Canadian Library Month Committee, please contact Amanda Power (arpower@mun.ca) Happenings

The NLLA Happenings Committee, in conjunction with the Margaret Williams Trust Fund (MWTF) Board of Trustees, hosted a silent auction to replenish the funds in the MWTF. This auction was a considerable undertaking and was the main focus of the committee for the summer and fall of 2014.

The auction took place at the A.C. Hunter Library on November 29th, and was very successful. A special thank you to Jewel Cousens, Amanda Tiller, Becky Smith, Janet Goosney, and Julia Mayo for making the auction a successful one!

Other happenings for this past year have included:

- September's Clay Café mug making event (canceled)
- February's Winter Warmer
- March's Get Smarter About Money webinar
- April's tasting event, Bean to Bar: A Discovery of Chocolate and Dessert Wine, hosted by Alexis Templeton and Tom Beckett

Canadian Library Month

As noted in my report for the Fall 2014 AGM, the NLLA's CLM Committee was extremely active this year. The committee consisted of Lorraine Jackson, Emily Blackmore, Beth Maddigan, Catherine Lawton, and myself. This year's National Canadian Library Month theme was "Libraries Inspire".

In keeping with the national theme, this year's contest asked participants to indicate their favorite book, along with why it inspires them. Posters, promotional forms, and entry forms were distributed to libraries across the province. The contest was extremely well received, with over 2,000 entries!

The winner, chosen in December, was Kevin Sharpe (aged 14) of Pearce

Junior High School. Kevin won a \$25 Chapter's gift card, and the school won \$1000 worth of books from Library Services Centre for their library. Kevin's favorite book is Eragon by Christopher Paolini. It inspires him because: "It's about someone who is just ordinary at the start, and gets thrust into an extraordinary world of adventure. It inspires me since it reminds me that no matter how ordinary things may seem, there is something special in everyone."

Freedom to Read Week

February 22nd-28th was this year's Freedom to Read (F2R) Week. The NLLA's F2R Committee consisted of Lorraine Jackson, Emily Blackmore, Catherine Lawton, and myself.

The contest asked participants to tell the committee about a banned or challenged book that they had read. We wanted to know why it was banned/challenged, and we also asked participants why they believe everyone should have the freedom to choose what they read. The contest deadline was March 31st.

This year's winner was April Harvey of Bay Bulls.

The committee would like to extend a special thank you to Jewel Cousens and the A.C. Hunter library for providing the prize for this year's contest!

Education Institute (EI)/Continuing Education Certificate (CEC) Representative

The Canadian Library Association is no longer hosting webinars, and will send any information regarding content and speakers to the Education Institute.

The CEC program is hoping to have 300 registrants by the end of 2015. The goal of the certificate program is 120 credits over 3 years.

ii. Director of Memberships – Ryan Lewis

Nothing to add to the report.

As submitted:

Membership Numbers

As of June 5, 2015 the NLLA membership was at 99. This number is expected to increase in the next few weeks, as many memberships are renewed at this time of year. Currently, the membership breaks down to 61 librarians and 38 library technicians/assistants.

Joint Membership Option

Since 2012, the NLLA has offered a joint membership option with the Atlantic Provinces Library Association (APLA). This option allows members to sign up for both an APLA membership and an NLLA membership, at a reduced rate. Librarians can join both organizations for \$65 a year, and support staff can join both for \$30. These amounts reflect a \$10 savings. To date, 31 of our members are joint members of APLA.

List-serve

The list-serve continues to play an important role in disseminating NLLA events, job postings and other library-related news and information to the membership. The Executive would like to thank Pam Morgan for her continued work maintaining the list-serve over this past year.

iii. APLA Vice President of NL – Krista Godfrey

Krista Godfrey shared her last report. Becky Smith will be taking over as APLA VP of NL. Krista was the first APLA VP to have a seat at the NLLA table, and reported that it has been successful. There is now joint membership in place, and she anticipates the next step will be offering joint memberships for retired members. Other APLA VPs have agreed it's a good idea for APLA VP of NL to continue as a member of the NLLA Executive.

As submitted:

It has been my pleasure to serve the Newfoundland and Labrador APLA members and work with the APLA executive over the last three years. The association has done excellent work and I'd like to thank you for the opportunity to be a part of these accomplishments. Below is my final annual report as VP for Newfoundland and Labrador.

Membership work

I continued to contact individuals as their memberships expire. Members continue to take advantage of the joint membership benefits of APLA and NLLA.

Committee work

I continued to sit on a number of committees in my role as VP for NL, including the Merit Award and Carin E. Somers Scholarship Award. I also sit on the Margaret Williams Trust Fund Board.

News/Outreach

I have used the bulletin, listserv and social media to highlight issues that NL is facing, particularly in regards to continued cuts to the provincial library system.

Liaison work

I continue to attend NLLA executive meetings, where I share APLA information and contribute to NLLA work. Following inquiries from NLLA, the two associations are presently exploring the potential of offering joint discounted retiree memberships.

d. Library Technician's Interest Group – Rosie Myers
New representative will be announced at the end of this meeting.

5) New Business

a) CLA update - Crystal Rose

Crystal Rose is the Atlantic Provinces' representative on a national working group regarding how CLA might change as an organization to remain relevant as a voice for Canadian libraries at a national and international level. Some of the documents mentioned by Crystal can be found here: https://futurecla.wordpress.com/

CLA will have to make major changes, as it is not viable to exist as it does currently (concept paper released publicly in January by CLA). Stakeholders from libraries across Canada, including NLLA, were invited to give input just after the OLA Annual Conference in Toronto in January 2015. What will the future of CLA look like? A CLA Future Working Group was created. All working group members are listed on the wordpress site. A draft was presented at the CLA national trade show and conference in Ottawa June 3-5, 2015. The draft went by stakeholders first, then there was a town hall style meeting at the CLA conference. The draft will be available in wider publication soon.

Highlights of the proposal: CLA will be moving from charitable organization status to not-for-profit organization status, so it will have an opportunity to work on advocacy at a national and international level. CLA's new focus will be on issues that are affecting libraries on a broader level, and it will be getting away from other things (including conferences). There was recognition that the 70th CLA annual tradeshow and conference would be the last. Rather than a member driven association, CLA will become an association of associations and will hope to have annual meetings to coincide with provincial library meetings. In addition, there is potential for rebranding of CLA (i.e., it might not keep the name CLA).

Wendy Rodgers inquired where the revenues will come from.

Crystal Rose replied that to be a member, associations will have to pay a fee. Larger associations have stated they are willing to pay a larger amount. There are other small associations – some smaller than NLLA – so it certainly came up as a question. They are considering requesting a percentage of each association's operating budget, rather than asking for a set amount. So, this means that if Memorial University wants to participate in future CLA, it will have to be an institutional member of APLA or NLLA. It may be that Eastern Canada is represented through APLA.

Wendy Rodgers asked if APLA is the only regional Canadian library association. Crystal Rose replied she does think that APLA is the only regional association in Canada, making it uniquely positioned to represent Eastern Canada. The new CLA will seek national representation without the Board becoming an unwieldy number (i.e., not one representative from every province).

Alison Ambi asked how the new CLA would differ from the Partnership. Crystal Rose replied The Partnership is an informal network of provincial associations, which began as a money making venture (which they share back to provincial library associations). Becky MacDonald from the Partnership will have a booth at the APLA conference, if anyone has further questions.

In summary, The Partnership does revenue, not advocacy. The future CLA will have a primary purpose of advocacy. And the purpose of reorganizing CLA is to prevent a future without a national voice for libraries.

- 6) New Business from the Membership No new business from the membership.
- 7) Election/Nomination of Officers Kathryn Rose

All by acclamation:

Kristen Romme, Treasurer Andrea Hyde, Vice President/President Elect Krista Howell, LTA representative

8) Any other Business No other business brought forward.

Meeting closed at 11:46

