ALA Meeting

Date: September 21st, 2017

Time: 5:15 p.m. **Place:** Trail Room

Members Present: Lucas Hill, Claire Williams, Lisa Zhu, and Manfred Nisley

Last Meeting: August 31st, 2017

Minutes Approved: Yes

Meeting Agenda:

Welcome to the new school year at SLAIS!

Webmaster

We are still looking for someone to take on the role of webmaster in Erin's absence. Erin will be gone until January. The duties include e-mails, posting the meeting minutes, and control of social media accounts, including Twitter.

VPL Tour and Happy Hour Recap

The ALA's first social event of the season, drinks downtown following a tour of the VPL central branch was a success! Many students from the new cohort joined us. Attendance was about 12 people. We hope to host another such event soon.

YAACS + ALA Event

YAACS has expressed interesting in collaborating with us to conduct a scavenger hunt or a library tour during October, before LASSA's Halloween party. We are very much interested, but have tabled the issue at the moment. We have to communicate with them more soon to set up details. Tentative date could be set at October 17th around 10:30 a.m.

ALA Membership/Conferences/Scholarships

A reminder that scholarships offered by the ALA are on now and people are encouraged to apply! Anybody in an MLIS program can apply. Usually requirements involve a short essay and up to three references. Apply early! Applications can be found online.

There are also scholarships for traveling to conferences. This year the ALA conference is in Chicago!

A reminder that ALA membership is discounted for students, around \$39 dollars, and has many perks!

RBSC Tour

We are hoping to join the RBSC on a tour of the Canadian Health Library here in Vancouver. Exact date is to be decided.

Future Events

We are hoping to host more social events in the future, including a repeat of our successful tour of a special library, perhaps at a health library. We also want to have social events and board game nights, perhaps at Stormcrow.

We may also talk more about a trip to Bellingham later on in the semester.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:36 p.m. Next meeting: Claire will host a doodle poll to decide.