

# **BCLA/CLA STUDENT CHAPTER**

## **2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR MEETING #2**

**Date:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015

**Time:** 11:00am

**Location:** Trail Room

### **Attending:**

Myles Wolfe

*BCLA Representative*

Chloe Riley

*Reader's Advisory Interest Group Representative*

Mya Loomer

Jennette Chalcraft

Christina Appleberry

Alan Woo

Judi Saltman

*Faculty Liaison*

### **Excused:**

Blake Hawkins

*ALS Representative*

Laura Bicknell

*Treasurer*

Marche Riley

*Webmaster*

### **Absent:**

Gwen Doran

*YAACS Representative*

Alex Matheson

*YAACS Representative*

## **1. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order by Myles Wolfe, meeting chair, at 11:09am.

## **2. BCLA Board Meeting**

Myles started by sharing news from the October 6 BCLA Board Meeting he attended.

CLA News

There were updates from the CLA at this meeting. Annette DeFaveri, Executive Director of the BCLA, mentioned that the CLA is considering changing their governance model, possibly to a federation – which means the CLA may become an amalgamation of provincial chapters.

### BCLA News

The BCLA is laying the groundwork for a professional development institution. A survey will be set up in mid-October, and feedback would be much appreciated. The theme of this year's conference will likely be "Disrupt & Transform", and there will be a call for conference proposals soon. The location is yet TBD. In addition, a publication named "Perspectives" is in its early stages.

The BCLA has also become involved in consultation sessions with the Provincial government in regards to the creation of a provincial digital library. This project is still in its early stages but the government seems keen to get as much input from the library community about how this digital library will be defined.

### **3. Treasury News**

The treasurer could not attend this month's meeting, but wanted to pass on that the group has been allocated \$50.00 for the year from LASSA, and that costs could be submitted to the treasurer if funds are required.

### **4. Open Positions**

Several positions were seeking involvement or representatives. These open positions included:

- Secretary
- CLA Representative
- ViMLoC Representative
- Intellectual Freedom Committee Representative
- Tour Coordinators

Myles mentioned that several students has expressed interest in some of these positions; some were not in attendance. Of the attending, Mya Loomer had expressed interest in the Secretary position, Jennette Chalcraft volunteered for the Intellectual Freedom Committee Representative position, and Alan Woo volunteered for the ViMLoC representative position.

#### **4. RA in a Day**

Chloe mentioned that the RA in a Day mini-conference would be coming up on October 20. The sign-up date has passed, but anyone interested in attending should contact her; the fee is \$30 for students. There is also a blog available for this group [<http://whatareyoureadingblog.com/>].

#### **5. BCLA Member Fees**

Myles opened up a discussion about BCLA membership for students. The BCLA mentioned during their recent board meeting that many members who had maintained a student membership would not renew once they were no longer students and fees were imposed. Suggestions were being taken to increase member retention. There is also the need to make the membership more appealing to both members and employers.

- Judi noted that many students leave the province after graduating, and this could be the reason for membership not being renewed. She suggested that graduates should be given a few years free membership.
- There was agreement that a “new professional” designation could be helpful, with either no fee or a moderate fee.
- Jennette mentioned that a professional development component could make the membership more attractive to employers.

#### **6. Research Conference Meeting**

Judi brought to members’ attention that a planning meeting for the Graduate Research Conference on Children’s Literature, Media and Culture would be

held that evening in the lounge from 5-6pm.

## **7. Vote for Open Positions**

A vote was held for the following open positions. Positions and representatives who were present and volunteered include:

Secretary – Mya Loomer

Intellectual Freedom Committee Representative – Jennette Chalcraft

ViMLoC Representative – Alan Woo

All meeting attendees (6 members + faculty liaison) voted in favor of the appointment of these representatives.

LASSA will be consulted to legitimize the approval of these positions.

## **8. Meeting Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:58am.