BCLA/CLA STUDENT CHAPTER

2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR MEETING #4

Date: Tuesday, December 1, 2015

Time: 11:00am

Location: Trail Room

Attending:

Jennette Chalcraft Intellectual Freedom Committee Representative

Gwen Doran YAACS Co-Chair
Alex Matheson YAACS Co-Chair
Kaya Fraser CLA Representative

Mya Loomer Secretary

Chloe Riley Reader's Advisory Interest Group Representative/

Communications

Judi Saltman Faculty Liaison

Myles Wolfe BCLA Representative

Excused:

Laura Bicknell Treasurer

Absent:

Christina Appleberry Member-at-Large
Blake Hawkins ALS Representative
Alan Woo VIMLOC Representative

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Jennette, meeting chair, at 11:07am.

2. Reports

a. CLA

Kaya reached out to Geraldine, a CLA representative, and was able to determine that based on last year's reports, the group had money remaining from the CLA grant at the end of the year. Since this grant is based on fund availability when you apply, if we applied this year, we can only receive the

remainder of the money, rather than the full amount. Kaya has the application forms, but requires more information about group events and activities before she can submit an application. It was mentioned that an informal call on Facebook may be useful to determine interest in activities, such as a tour of Special Collections, and new ideas for activities that have not been done.

Kaya also mentioned possibly attending the 2016 CLA conference in Ottawa. There is a grant available to SLAIS students to attend this event.

b. BCLA

Myles shared that the BC Library Conference date has been set; it will be May 11-13 at the Sheridan Vancouver Airport Hotel. He has also been contacted by Open Media, and has offered to find a room for them to come and speak on topics such as the TPP and Bill C-51. This would ideally be an open event, for students outside SLAIS as well as the public. This event will likely be held in February, but we need to ensure that it would not conflict with Freedom to Read Week.

c. VIMLOC

No new news, Alan absent.

d. YAACS

Gwen reported that 11 people attended the Pub Night held by YAACS. The group has plans to hold a panel next term of children's librarians with tips and tricks for entering the field, and there is the possibility of another pub night.

The YAACS meeting is being held next week at 7pm in Burnaby, so there have been no updates from the group yet. This Friday, December 4, there is also an Interlink meeting for youth services coordinators in Interlink libraries.

Alex, the YAACS co-chair, is graduating, so there is the need to elect a new cochair in January. This will be announced to the YAACS student group on Thursday during their next meeting.

The second meeting of the Storytellers group was held, led by Meghan Ross. Stories and songs were exchanged, and these were recorded by Meghan so that they could be shared with others.

Gwen has been planning a website for YAACS, to fill the resource collection gap that will be there when Judi retires. She will be populating the website over the Christmas break, and it is to be decided whether it will be made public. Judi gave her permission for her classroom resources to be used on this site.

There is also a call for papers for a conference organized by Education, SLAIS, and Creative Writing (Many Worlds to Walk In: Exploring Diversity in Children's Literature, Librarianship and Education). The deadline for submissions for papers is February 15th. It is open to papers on diversity in children's literature, services or education.

e. ALS

No report, as Blake was not present.

f. Reader's Advisory Interest Group

Chloe attended a meeting; it was discussed how the October RA in a Day conference had gone, and there is interest in submitting panels or sessions to the BCLA conference. There is a Student to BCLA Award available, where the cost of the conference and accommodations would be paid for; more information to come on this. Chloe also reminded the group that the Reader's Advisory Workshop is tomorrow, December 2, in the Lilloet Room from 11am to 1pm. It is organized by several student groups as SLAIS, and information will be shared about genres and different books.

g. Intellectual Freedom Committee

Jennette informed the group that a Freedom to Read subcommittee has been formed of first-year SLAIS students. Their first meeting was last week to discuss the format of Freedom to Read Week in February; they are considering a combination of panel discussion and lightning talks. Rather than being exclusive to SLAIS, they are thinking of attracting Law faculty, as well as faculty from the School of Journalism to speak on broader subjects and attract more attendees. The theme, date and time are to be determined depending on when a room can be booked. There is also a BCLA privacy workshop Thursday, December 3rd.

h. Tour Coordinator

This position is still vacant.

i. Communications

If you have an upcoming event, please let the communications representative know so that the event can be posted.

j. Treasurer

No report, but Laura had suggested a bake sale be held.

3. Bake Sale

Members voted to set the date of January 20, 2016 for a bake sale to raise funds for the group. Mya will create a spreadsheet for sign-up of baked goods for this event. There will be further discussion of this upcoming event at the January meeting.

Judi suggested having napkins available at the bake sale table. It was noted that in the past, a bake sale table had also been set up during Freedom to Read week; tea and coffee were provided.

4. Old Business

Group Charter

Chloe and Jennette will be working on a draft of the group charter over the Christmas break.

Vacant Positions

The group needs a representative at Student Orientation week in January; this may be a good opportunity to seek new representatives for vacant positions. Myles offered to represent the BCLA/CLA group, and Gwen mentioned that she will likely also be there to represent YAACS.

We need to advertise that we are filling positions in January; Alex's position will need to be filled as well. Judi suggested asking Melissa if she can include this in the email newsletter that is sent to SLAIS students; this should mention that new students are welcome.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, January 12 at 11am in the Trail Room, depending on room availability. Mya volunteered to chair this meeting.

6. Meeting Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:51am.