

ALA STUDENT CHAPTER MEETING | JANUARY 14, 2014 | 1 P.M.
IKBLC, TRAIL ROOM

Attendees: Chelsea Shriver, Matthew Murray, Carolyn Heine, Anna Ferri, Eka Grguric, Mark Christensen, Nicole Askin, Kelsey Ockent, Hedda Monaghan, Krista Darham, Alyssa Hamer, Luke McLeod, appleberry, Rebecca Lahr, Lauren Washuk, Stephanie Fan, Kaja Dawkins, Shideh Taleban, Sadie Tucker.

1. Introduction of the current executive committee

- Anna, chair; Carolyn (graduating in May) and Chelsea, co-secretaries; Matthew, communications webmaster
- There is no co-chair, but one will be elected at end of meeting

2. Introduction of new members

- New members introduced themselves
- Eric Meyers, the faculty liaison for ALA@UBC, introduced himself

3. Summary of semester events

- UBC has possibly the only active ALA student chapter in Canada (maybe University of Toronto, but inactive)
- The chapter has about three events per term
- The next event is this weekend (January 18-20): a trip to Seattle to visit ALA student chapter at University of Washington
 - The trip will involve tours and volunteer work
 - People who want to go should commit during the meeting and stay after the meeting to talk about logistics
- Marathon reading event will be during Freedom-to-Read Week (February 23-March 1)
 - Kaja will be the liaison with BCLA/CLA to partner with them for a Marathon Reading being planned for Tuesday, February 25
 - Event takes place over 12 hours with people reading from challenged books for 10-15 minute increments
 - Event also includes bake sale (by donation)
 - Usually occurs in Lillooet or Dodson Room of IKBLC
 - Nicole will liaise with graduate student writing group for potential collaboration
- Panel on publishing to be in mid March
 - People interested in helping to organize: Lauren, Carolyn, Chelsea
 - Eka and Steph (new cohort) can provide contacts within the publishing industry
 - Need liaison with CLA/BCLA to collaborate?

4. Trip to Seattle (details)

- Group will leave Friday evening (January 17) or Saturday morning (January 18)
- Saturday afternoon, ALA student chapter at University of Washington will provide tours of UW libraries

- Pub night on Saturday
- Sunday will include tour of main branch of Seattle Public Library and free time downtown
- Monday will include volunteering in Fremont
- Transportation options include the bus (~\$17-20), car (if anyone has one and can drive), or train (more expensive than the bus)

5. Election of new executive committee members

- Co-chair
 - Position entails helping to organize group activities
 - Having one chair from the incoming cohort and one from a previous cohort provides nice orderly transition of responsibility
 - Co-chair maintains organization to keep the group on track, can switch off leading meetings, works with events committees, helps put together the meeting agenda, helps break work and contact points up between two people.
 - A new cohort co-chair may be around / available more at times than a co-chair from a previous cohort (more commitments)
 - Anna hopes that the new co-chair will also help members get connected to and navigate larger ALA organization (through blog posts, handouts, etc.)
 - Mark and Shideh (at library orientation, but sent email) expressed interest in being co-chair
 - Mark provided statement of interest and qualifications (member of new cohort, eight years of leadership in retail and banking and experience training people)
 - Shideh arrived at the meeting and indicated she did not wish to run for the co-chair position
 - Mark accepted the co-chair position
- Co-secretary
 - Sadie and Kaja expressed interested in sharing secretary position with Carolyn
 - Kaja provided statement of interest and qualifications (member of new cohort, has previously been secretary in clubs, worked in administration / experience taking meeting minutes)
 - Sadie provided statement of interest and qualifications (member of new cohort, experience taking notes as part of committees, does work at public library that involves taking notes)
 - Ballot vote conducted and Sadie was elected as co-secretary
- Exec committee members must be ALA member (\$35)
 - Not necessary to sign up for interest groups, etc.
 - Benefits include ALA publications, emails, and chance to apply to ALA Student-to-Staff Program

6. Meeting adjourned