



EDMONTON LAW LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION

Edmonton Law Libraries Association
Annual General Meeting
June 14, 2018

In Attendance: Shane Allan, Julie Rainey, Lucinda Johnston, Anke Eastwood, Susan Frame, Lyla Reid, Katie Cuyler, Doris Wagner, Jane Symons, Miala Evans, Ana San Miguel, Marlice Want, Megan Siu.

Total Voting Members: 11

- A. Meeting Called to order at 12:07 by Anke**
- B. Agenda was read. amended by Anke to include discussion of presenting Shaunna Mireau with an Honourary Lifetime Membership. Motion to move agenda be adopted by Jane S. Seconded by Lyla. Motion Carried**
- C. 2017 AGM Minutes were approved. Moved to be approved as distributed by Doris. Seconded by Megan. Motion Carried**
- D. Old Business**
 - a. Co-Chair's Report, Submitted by Julie and Anke.**
 - i. Thanks were given for another successful year
 - 1. September: Our new executive was put in place. Julie Rainey and Anke Eastwood are Co-Chairs, Shane Allan is our new Secretary-Treasurer and Susan Frame is the new Member-At-Large.
 - 2. October: The Honourable Justice Andrea Moen (Alberta Court of Queen's Bench) and Diana Lowe (Executive Counsel to the Associate Chief Justice and Director) provide us with an update on the Reforming the Family Justice System initiative.
 - 3. December: Christmas Party for the membership held at the Nook Cafe
 - 4. January: Honourable Judges Anderson and Johnson of the Provincial Court of Alberta attend our meeting to update us on the status of the Mental Health Court and the Drug Treatment Court. We also added Lucinda Johnston as Webmaster for ELLA.
 - 5. February: Delray the black lab joined us at our February meeting. His handler Erika Olson told us about their work in the PAWS (Psychological

Awareness and Wellness Support) program which supports EMS workers in Alberta.

6. March: several ELLA members were hosted at the Legislature Library of Alberta by Heather Close, Reference and Research Coordinator. We heard many interesting points about the library's history which goes back to 1905 when Alberta became a province. Back then, Alberta was paid out \$6000 by Saskatchewan who kept all of the books for its Legislative Library. Only \$400 of that was spent on materials, and the rest went into general provincial funds. Alberta is one of only a few jurisdictions that uses "legislature" instead of "legislative" in its title. Heather also provided a full overview of LLA's current array of clients and services.
7. April: we were visited by Leanne Monsma of Field Law for a talk on cannabis in the workplace. She outlined the relevant legislation including the Access to Cannabis for Medical Purposes Regulation (ACMPR) under Bill C-45, An Act respecting cannabis and to amend the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act, the Criminal Code and other Acts.

b. Treasurer's Report, submitted by Shane.

- i. As of June 13th, 2018 we had \$630.52 in the General Account and \$5,586.19 in the Headstart Account.
- ii. We had an income of 1869.25 and spent 1773.12
- iii. We currently have a membership of 36, with 27 voting members, 2 student members and 7 affiliate members.
- iv. Further expenses before the end of the fiscal year will be the cost of lunch for the AGM and bank maintenance fees from June to August.
- v. There are no other outstanding expenses.
- vi. The Annual Return was mailed April 5th. The Proof of Filing was received in June and added to the binder.
- vii. Jane Symons has been asked to be the auditor for the 2017/2018 fiscal year and she accepted.
 1. Motion made for Jane. to be Auditor by Lyla. Seconded by Ana. **Motion Carried**
 2. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report made by Doris. Seconded by Katie. **Motion Carried.**
- viii. There was discussion regarding seeking sponsorship from one of the publishers for ELLA, as CLLG has currently. We have had some in previous years, and the Executive will look into this for the future.

c. Webmaster's Report, submitted by Lucinda.

- i. Lucinda joined ELLA in January of 2018.
- ii. Reorganized the ELLA Google Drive files and folders
- iii. Been engaged in reviewing and updating the Website to increase usability
- iv. Has a number of ideas for future revisions and changes, including ELLA logos, vision/mission statement, developing interactivity, dedicated events and

meetings pages, removing tags, adding history and pictures to events, and others.

d. HeadStart Committee Report, submitted by Katie and Doris.

- i. HeadStart went on hiatus this year, due to the development of a University of Alberta/ELLA partnership and will resume next year. Monthly meetings will begin in September.

E. New Business

a. 2017/18 Programming Feedback

- i. Overall positive, a good mix of different subject matter and interests.

b. Programming Suggestions for 2018/19

- i. An invitation to Chris Evans (subject to be determined)
- ii. Vendor's Forum
- iii. Indigenous Law Perspective

c. Membership By-Law Amendment 5.13.18

- i. Commentary on the amendment from Andrea Zielinski and Josette McEachern were received via email. Josette suggested changes to wording, granted Student Members the right to vote as well as hold office. Members agreed to accept Josette M.'s wording for amendment. Voting was done clause by clause and includes two responses via email.
 1. Clause #1: Section B: Affiliate Members. Affiliate Members ... may vote on association business and may hold office.
 - a. 12 in favour, 1 opposed. Amendment was adopted**
 2. Clause #2: Section B: Student Members. Student Members may vote on association business and may hold office.
 - a. 12 in favour, 1 opposed. Amendment was adopted**
 3. Clause #3: Section D: Voting. Any member in good standing shall have the right to vote...
 - a. 12 in favour, 1 opposed. Amendment was adopted.**
- ii. There was discussion about reviewing and revamping the entire ELLA bylaws within the next year.
- iii. There was discussion about more deliberately reaching out to students at both the U of A and Grant MacEwan by possibly creating student representative positions, similar to NAHLA. This will be examined as a part of the fall bylaw revision.

d. Remaining Funds Discussion

- i. Contribute to CALL
- ii. GELA Prison Project
- iii. Student Sponsorship
- iv. Save for next year

1. Discussion to continue in the future, no decision for now

e. Shaunna Mireau as Honorary Member

- i. Julie. motions for a vote on accepting Shaunna M. as an Honorary Lifetime Member of ELLA. Seconded

1. All in favour, 0 opposed. Motion carried.

f. Motion to Adjourn @ 1:05 by Miala, seconded by Doris.