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CFLA Climate Action Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 1PM EST

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84947336864>

Regrets: Lauren Jessop, Samidha Kalia, Andrea Cecchetto

Item #	Item Description:	Major points / Decisions	Actions
1	Add new items and approve agenda <i>Decision</i>		
2	Approve November meeting minutes <i>Decision</i>	Decision: November minutes approved with one edit Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• There is an interest in sharing minutes externally, with provincial associations that members represent, and potentially on the CFLA website.• When writing notes, Peter will take note of major discussion points / decisions, and action items. If we are to share notes publicly then Peter will also note any resources shared as they might be of interest to others.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peter to edit November minutes <input type="checkbox"/> LITA to contact CFLA to clarify policy on sharing committee minutes externally and follow up with committee by email



3	<p>Workplan Development <i>Discussion</i></p>	<p>Decision: We will design a survey to better understand what libraries are already doing in this space and to get a better idea of what they are looking for from CFLA or their respective provincial associations (?)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Suggested timelines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January - Finalize questions ○ February - send survey ○ March/April - analyze responses <p>Discussion: Lita would like work plan as iterative, which should be flexible based on capacity</p> <p>We had an open discussion around what our priorities could be for the next 6-12 months. There was large agreement that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● This committee should focus on work that provincial organizations cannot do ● We should be careful not to duplicate the work of others in this space ● Before jumping into a work plan, we should take time to engage with provincial associations and libraries more broadly. We need to better understand what work is already being undertaken, what our membership (provincial associations & library workers) would like from this committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LITA to create a working document to develop survey content (link TBD) <input type="checkbox"/> ALL MEMBERS review and contribute to survey content in working document before January 4 meeting



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a role in celebrating and promoting good work that is already being done in climate action & libraries <p>Other points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCLA has been drafting a core position statement that will outline main opportunities for libraries in BC to take climate action - ready in January Focus on advocacy to the federal government Consider how to engage with library school Students Survey: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCLA has drafted surveys and focus group prompts in the past. Helen has offered to share. Could take opportunity to collect information of people who would like to be engaged further 	
4	Plan next steps for grant <i>Discussion</i>	Briefly discussed that we have received grant funding, but we have the flexibility to wait before we determine what the project will entail	
5	Who are the significant groups involved in library sustainability <i>Discussion</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Helen has already mapped this out in a BCLA resource: https://bclaconnect.ca/cag/library-climate-action-resources/ 	



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Michelle shared a LibGuide she created during her MLIS at Western: Home - Libraries and Environmental Sustainability: from acknowledgement to activism - LibGuides-MLIS Student Work at University of Western Ontario LIS	
	For Information <i>Resources, events brought up during the meeting that can be shared</i>		