



Canadian Federation of Library Associations
Fédération canadienne des associations de bibliothèques

Board of Directors Meeting

Réunion du Conseil d'administration

Thursday July 25, 2024 – jeudi 25 juillet 2024

12:00pm – 2:00pm ET – 12 h à 14 h HE

Zoom Meeting

Minutes

Attending: Michael Michelle Rogowski, Andrea Cecchetto, Laura Winton, Lorisia MacLeod, Mary-Jo Romaniuk, Cate Carlyle, Tracey Therrien, Monika Machacek

Guests: Michael Nyby, Sara Clark

Regrets: Mélanie Raymond, Nora Hehemann, Emily Jaeger-McEnroe

A. Cecchetto called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. (EST)

1. Approval of the Agenda / Approbation de l'ordre du jour

Motion to approve the Agenda

Moved by: Monika Machacek

Seconded by: Lorisia Macleod

Carried

2. Approval of June 13, 2024 Minutes - Approbation du procès-verbal du mars 21 2024

Postponed to August Board Meeting due to time constraints

3 Conflict of Interest Check / Vérification du conflit d'intérêts

No conflicts of interest were noted.

4. Approval of Consent Agenda - Approbation de l'ordre du jour des consentements

4.1 Decisions made via email

Executive Committee Motion: THAT the CFLA-FCAB approve the Copyright Committee's document titled *Navigating Copyright for Crown-Published Works: A Code of Best Practices for Libraries*. Carried June 24, 2024. The Board was informed via email on June 25, 2024.

4.2 Approval of Executive Summary

The board received the executive summary.

Motion to receive the consent agenda postponed due to time constraints

5. Decision Items - Points de décision

5.1. Draft Statement on IF for Children

A. Cechetto / M. Nyby

Background: CFLA-FCAB does not have a statement on the IF Rights of Children and one is needed in light of a recent rise in IF challenges of children's material predicated on the concept of parental rights. Sharon Day and Wendy Wright of the IFC drafted the statement and it was reviewed and approved by the IFC for presentation to the CFLA-FCAB Board. We hope this will help libraries develop solid policies to support Children's Intellectual Freedoms.

Motion THAT the board approve the CFLA Statement on Libraries and the Intellectual Freedom of Children

Moved by: Laura Winton

Seconded by: Lorisia MacLeod

Discussion: Board member requests clarification re procedures for discussing motions and voting when guest presenters are at Board meetings. Board members would prefer to see "will not" in final sentence changed to "should not" as the CFLA has no power to enforce adherence to the content of the statement.

Motion THAT the board consult with our parliamentarian about best practice for allowing guest experts to be present when the Board votes on or discusses a motion.

Moved by: L. Winton

Secunder: Lorisia MacLeod

Carried

Amendment to initial motion: Lorisia MacLeod amends the motion brought by Laura Winton to state: Moved that the board approve the CFLA's Statement on Library and Intellectual Freedom of Children with the final sentence wording to be changed from "will not" to "should not"

Opposed: Tracy Therrien

Carried

5.2. Prison Library Network - review of Right to Read Statement

A. Cechetto / M. Nyby

Background: The statement was drafted by the Prison Library Network over a decade ago, and was adopted by CLA and later by CFLA. CFLA Board requested the IFC review the statement and bring any recommendations for changes. IFC approached the Prison Library Network members to review and consider any need for edits. No substantial edits were made. IFC Chair now brings the statement to the Board for approval with minor changes.

Motion THAT the board approves the revised statement with the clerical edits to the final document

Moved by: Lorisia MacLeod

Seconded by: Laura Winton

Discussion: Board members requested clarification on the ownership of the statement - is it the CFLA's statement or did CFLA endorse the Prison Library Network's statement? Clarification provided that this is a CFLA statement that the board approved in 2016, though it was prepared in collaboration with the Prison Library Network. Board members considered whether CFLA needs this position statement or if Prison Library Network should own the statement and CFLA endorse it. Prison Library Network is a network of prison library workers without a web presence to platform the statement. Board members expressed concern that the statement is more forceful than other statements, including calls to action and "should" statements. Some Board members expressed concern that a statement in support of prisoner rights could be politically charged.

Motion withdrawn by Lorisia MacLeod

Motion THAT the board strike a working group with representatives from the CFLA Board, IFC

committee, and Prison Library Network to work on this statement and bring it back to the Board for review.

Moved by: Laura Winton

Seconder: Cate Carlyle

Carried

Next Steps: Cate Carlyle will assemble a working group.

5.3: IFC Tool Kit

Michael Nyby

Background: A revision of the IFC Toolkit was posted to the CFLA website without approval by the Board. This led to discussion of the approval and review process for Toolkits and, specifically, the future of the IFC toolkit. The revised toolkit has been removed from the website and the previous version is posted once again. IFC Chair Michael Nyby presented the Committee's plans for the toolkit. The IFC are interested in working with the Board on developing a review/revision schedule and process. They hope to move the toolkit from a PDF file to an HTML page. The IFC's intent for the toolkit is to provide a reference kit to help libraries implement and develop their own policies, rather than provide advice or mandates on how to carry out those policies. The IFC will bring back a revised Toolkit when it is ready for Board review.

5.4: Indigenous Matters Committee - Community of Practice TOR

L. MacLeod

Background: The Indigenous Matters Committee's project for 2024-2025 is to create a community of practice for Indigenous library professionals. A proposal to pilot the community of practice model was presented to the Board for approval. This would be a one-year pilot project and the IMC will bring a recommendation to the Board at the conclusion of the pilot regarding the continuation of the CoP.

Motion THAT the Board approves the Terms of Reference for the Indigenous Library Professionals Community of Practice Pilot Task Force

Moved by: L.L: Macleod

Seconded by: L. Winton

Carried

5.5 Communications Strategy Project Charter

L. Winton

Motion THAT the Board approve the Communications Project Charter

Moved by: Laura Winton

Seconded by: Lorisia MacLeod

Carried

6 Discussion Items - Points de discussion

6.1: Bill C-63

A. Cecchetto/M. Nyby

Background: The Centre for Free Expression released a joint letter on bill C-63. The IFC wishes to bring the letter and the issue to the attention of the Board so the Board can discuss the possibility of endorsing the letter.

Discussion: Board consensus is that C-63 does not have a clear connection to libraries and CFLA will not pursue a statement or endorsement.

6.2: Record of Service / Certificate of Thanks procedures - postponed to future meeting **L. Winton**

6.3: CLA Statements & Position Paper Review working group membership **L. Winton**

Background: At a previous meeting, the Board created a working group to review position papers and statements inherited from CLA and bring recommendations to the Board. The working group needs members to complete this work.

Discussion: The Board will postpone this work until the Governance Review is complete. Processes and procedures for reviewing, revising and approving CFLA-FCAB board products (statements, papers, toolkits, etc.) will be covered in this review.

6.4: National Forum update and search for speakers - postponed to future meeting

6.5: Pre-Budget Submission **Sara Clark**

Background: CFLA-FCAB's 2025 Pre-Budget Submission was prepared by Impact GR based on the feedback gathered in our 2024 consultations and current funding needs in Canadian Libraries. The Submission supports the CFLA's advocacy plan and toolkit. Submissions are due August 2, 2024.

Discussion: Board members request the following amendments: clarify that request 1 is a request for federal funding for public libraries. Add context to request 1 to clarify why libraries need this funding (only GLAM sector without federal funding available), and what type of funding we need (funding for library infrastructure). Include NNELS in request 2.

Next Steps: final submission to be approved via email vote.

6.6: Advocacy Plans and Toolkit **Sara Clark**

Background: The Advocacy Toolkit was developed based on feedback from our spring consultation meetings. The advocacy message will be shared by CFLA Executive members with key federal ministers and administrators and the toolkit will support grassroots advocacy efforts from members of our member associations. More details about roll-out will be available at the next board meeting.

Discussion: Board members requested that the one-pager be updated to reflect the changes requested to the budget submission.

Tracey Therrien and Monika Machacek left the meeting at 1:45PM EST. **Quorum was lost.**

6.7 SDG Stories (IFLA) - postponed to future meeting **A. Cecchetto**

7. In Camera Session - unable to proceed without quorum

8. Information Items - postponed to future meeting

8.1 Board Training on Robert's Rules - 17 September 2024 at 2:00 PM EST **M. Rogowski**

8.2 Motion Register **L. Winton**

9. Updates from Committees - Mises à jours des comités - postponed to future meeting

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| 9.1 Cataloguing and Metadata | N. Heheman |
| 9.2 Copyright | L. Winton |
| 9.3 Intellectual Freedom | E. Jaeger-McEnroe |
| 9.4 Indigenous Matters | L. MacLeod |
| 9.5 Climate Action Committee | M. Raymond |

10. Other Business - Autres affaires - postponed to future meeting

- 10.1 CFLA-FCAB Board Members at Upcoming events

9. Next Meeting - Prochaine réunion: September 5th, 2024

10: Adjournment - Clôture de la séance

Meeting adjourned at 1:52 PM EST