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Meetings

The Novanet Board met on June 26, 2015 and held its Annual General Meeting on September 3, 2015. The next Board meeting is scheduled for October 29, 2015.

Collections

The Novanet Collections Coordination Group is currently working to modify our collective DDA profile to better mitigate the rising costs of STLs and list prices. As reported at the last Executive meeting, a subgroup has been formed to examine the current state of federal government documents in Novanet with a focus on what we currently hold in digital and print and to explore a possible last copy initiative. Kathryn Reddy and Bill Slauenwhite are in contact to ensure there is a liaison across consortiums. In other news, Proquest has recently acquired Ex Libris but we do not anticipate this having much effect on Novanet and Ex Libris' current working relationship.

Libraries Nova Scotia

The historic Nova Scotia Archives, Libraries and Museums (ALM) conference was a great success. Held at the Lord Nelson Hotel in Halifax over the last weekend of September, the conference offered a variety of sessions from collaborative ALM perspectives. More information about the program that was is available at <http://almconference.ca/>. Two important preconference sessions, *Reimagining Libraries Nova Scotia for the Future: Increasing Collaboration, Increasing Community Value* and *Exploring a Provincial Digitization Strategy* were very well attended with enthusiastic participation. The LNS Steering Committee plans to meet at the Nova Scotia Museum of Natural History on November 5, 2015 to work through feedback gathered from the facilitated visioning session and to discuss next steps for LNS. In other news, the fourth One Book Nova Scotia title is Darren Greer's *Just Beneath My Skin*. The author is now making his way across Nova Scotia on his reading tour. Follow the updates at <http://1bns.ca/>.

Let's Talk about Copyright

As reported at our last meeting, Novanet has changed its annual 'Novanet Day' in favour of supporting smaller, member-led professional development initiatives that appeal to communities of interest across the consortium. The next scheduled professional development day will focus on copyright management and education and will be hosted at Mount Saint Vincent University on Friday, October 23, 2015. Many thanks to Denyse Rodrigues (MSVU), Erin Patterson (Acadia) and Simon Bonnell (SMU) for their planning efforts to date.