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## **CAUL-CBUA External Committee Reports**

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### **CARL**

*CAUL-CBUA Member:* Lesley Balcom (UNB)

- Verbal report to be provided at the meeting.

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### **CFLA**

*CAUL-CBUA Member:* Ryan Lewis (MUN)

#### **Strategic Planning and Advocacy**

The Strategic Planning Working Group has completed its mandate to develop the strategic priorities for the CFLA-FCAB's first strategic plan, in coordination with the CFLA Board. These priorities are based in part on feedback from the stakeholder community, including associations, individuals, and organizations. This included a survey of stakeholders. The Board wishes to thank the Working Group members for all of their work in bringing the plan forward.

The CFLA-FCAB supports the initiatives in the March 2019 Federal budget that were allocated to improve accessibility, provide new resources for Canadians with print disabilities, and support indigenous languages. The Federation is also developing advocacy messaging in the lead up to the federal election this October.

#### **CFLA-FCAB National Forum 2020**

In celebration of Manitoba's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary, CFLA-FCAB will be joining the Manitoba Library Association's Conference in Winnipeg, Manitoba on April 7 – 8, 2020. More information will be posted to the website as it becomes available.

#### **National Union Catalogue – Voilà Survey**

CFLA-FCAB launched a survey in the fall of 2018 to gather data on the effects of the transition from the National Union Catalogue to Voilà. A report of the results is being drafted.

## Intellectual Freedom Committee

### Annual Challenges Survey

The Challenge Survey continues to run, and can be found here :

<https://form.simplesurvey.com/f/s.aspx?s=9bc157ea-ad8f-4b72-94b7-77687abbe3a1&lang=EN>

Information gathered in the Challenges Survey will provide information for an article in the Freedom to Read magazine. The article from last year can be found here:

<http://www.freedomtoread.ca/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/kit2019.pdf>

## Committee Updates

### Cataloguing and Metadata Standards

#### *Cataloguing Code of Ethics Working Group*

A working group has been created to address concerns on topics relating to cataloguing, such as the development of ethical authority data. This includes the ethical use of classification schemes and controlled vocabularies which can contain outdated and potentially offensive terms. This is an initiative of the Cataloguing and Indexing Group (CIG) of the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (CILIP) in the UK and the Cataloguing and Metadata Standards Committee (CMSC) in Canada.

#### *BIBFRAME Readiness Task Group*

The Task Group has started to develop a survey that will be distributed to the library community in Canada. The survey will help the group assess what gaps need to be addressed for libraries to effectively adopt the new standard.

### Indigenous Matters

CFLA-FCAB has signed on as a partner organization to the UNESCO International Year of Indigenous Languages. Canadian libraries will be asked to share their activities and the IMC has developed guidelines to help in the process.

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## CRKN Content Strategy Committee

CAUL-CBUA Members: Tanja Harrison (MSVU); Alison Ambi (MUN)

### Regular Meetings

- The CSC met via teleconference on March 4, 2019, in person in Vancouver on Ottawa on April 11, 2019, and then again by teleconference on May 14, 2019. The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2019 in Ottawa.

### Member Update

- Chantal St-Louis has stepped down from the CSC committee due to taking on a new position. A search for a replacement representative for the BCI consortium is underway.

## Negotiation Meetings

- Due to the smaller number of licenses up for negotiation this year, rather than divide into sub-committees the CSC is working on them together and attending all vendor meetings. To date we have had teleconference meetings with ACUP/eBOUND and Taylor & Francis. A meeting with Springer Nature is scheduled for May 30th.

## License Updates

- All objectives have been agreed upon by the Board and the negotiations for licenses ending in 2019 are well underway. The products left for negotiated renewal are as follows: Taylor & Francis, ACUP/eBOUND, Springer.
- Highlights from the objectives include a strong OA mandate gleaned from the T&F membership survey. While we will be moving ahead with this objective, how it will look for pricing depends on the OA APC data for CRKN-affiliated authors from the publisher. In essence, there would be a discount or offsetting agreement, with the deduction of APCs paid by authors to an OA or OA/hybrid journal from a library's subscription fees. ACUP/eBound complains of low participation, and we are working on possible options for member uptake (e.g. language options). Digital rights management continues to be a major issue with this agreement. The CSC has decided to focus on cost containment and transition to banded pricing for Spring and not include Nature or Palgrave content into the license.
- An offer will be sent to members for opt-in access to Jisc's Journal Usage Statistics Portal (JUSP). CRKN has reached a deal with Reprints Desk based on our current CAUL-CBUA rate of \$4.00 USD per transaction (no commitment form necessary). Account set-up is free if your institution wants to try it out.

## Other Updates

- The Serials Management Sub-Committee has launched the new CRKN OA Journals List (previously maintained by CUFTS). Members are asked to review the current list and suggest changes or new content before June 14, 2019. Information has been sent to your representatives on the CRKN Collections listserv; if your university hosts an OA journal please do take a look and ensure your title is included.

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## CRKN Board

*CAUL-CBUA Member:* Lesley Balcom (UNB)

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## Novanet Board

*CAUL-CBUA Member:* Andrea Stewart (NSCC)

## Governance

- Novanet is in the final stages of the self-study process. The Novanet Executive prepared a draft response to the report and recommendations submitted by the External

Reviewer, Pascal Calarco (University Librarian, University of Windsor). The Board of Directors provided feedback and approved the document. We are in the process of finalizing the response document and developing a communication plan.

- My term as Novanet Chair will be coming to an end after the Novanet AGM in August. At that time Suzanne van den Hoogen will be taking over the role of Chair. I will remain on the Novanet Executive as the Past Chair and Daphne Flanagan will serve as Vice Chair. Rebecca Young continues in her term as Treasurer.

## News

- Live Help Patron Conduct Policy has been developed
- We are in the process of preparing a Patron Information Privacy Statement
- Catherine Kelly, Nova Scotia Provincial Library, joined us as a guest to present on NNELS and CELA. We are presently preparing a workplan to implement direct access for eligible Novanet users to the NNELS collection. This will help reduce existing barriers in which users are presently directed to the public libraries for access.
- The Novanet Cataloguing Service Group submitted an Indigenous Subject Headings Preliminary Report and from this has been approved to form a committee to address the issue of outdated and problematic Indigenous Subject Headings and cataloguing practices in consultation with Indigenous communities in Nova Scotia.

## Partnerships

### Libraries, Archives & Museums (LAMNS) Steering Committee

- The next LAMNS meeting is June 10<sup>th</sup> so there is nothing new to report at this time. This will be my last meeting representing Novanet on the Steering Committee. It has been an honour to represent Novanet on the inaugural Libraries, Archives & Museums (LAMNS) Steering Committee and to serve as co-chair. As incoming Novanet Chair, Suzanne van den Hoogen will become the Novanet representative starting in Fall 2019.
- The Taking It to the People: 2019 Summit on the Value of Galleries, Libraries, Archives and Museums took place at the Grande Bibliothèque et Archives nationales du Québec in Montreal on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.
- We are reviving the LAMNS One Place to Look Working Group under the leadership of Karin Kierstead, Nova Scotia Museums. This group is exploring the potential for a discovery layer as a means to enhance access to Nova Scotia collections in libraries, museums and archives.

### One Book Nova Scotia

- The One Book Nova Scotia discontinuation was announced on social media. Key contacts and stakeholders were communicated with prior to the public announcement.

## Portage Advisory Committee

CAUL-CBUA Member: Jamie MacKenzie (UNB)

The Portage Advisory Committee met once, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019, since the last report to CAUL-CBUA.

- Portage Director presented progress report from the Winter term. This report, and the subsequent (Spring) report, can be found at: <https://portagenetwork.ca/about/documents-and-presentations/>. Of interest:
  - Portage and McMaster U Library have been awarded a Connection Grant to hold a Canadian Data Curation Forum.
  - Work on the DMP Assistant (v2) has taken longer than expected, but it is planned for launch in 2019.
- DREG: Data Repositories Expert Group: discussed at the advisory meeting, and since formed, to provide guidance for a cohesive approach to data repository development (including local, Dataverse North, and FRDR).
- DRI Funding: Application to ISED submitted in May, for funding to support establishing a new DRI organization. Built on 3 pillars: Data Management, Advanced Research Computing, and Research Software.
- On the long list of Portage's Expert Groups and Working Groups, participation from CAUL-CBUA institutions continues to be strong. Of note, M. Neilson (Acadia) is now co-chair of the DMP Expert Group. Librarians that are interested in getting involved in one of these groups are encouraged to contact the respective chairs.