



2012-13 Annual Report from the ACMLA First Vice-President

Introduction

ACMLA Annual Meeting and Conference. The 2013 Annual Conference of ACMLA was held in Edmonton, with the Canadian Cartographic Association. I would like to thank Larry Laliberté, who was the Chair, and lead for local arrangements at University of Alberta. He was responsible for the creation of the website, room bookings, our online registration system, event bookings, and working in tandem with the program committee. The program committee was co-chaired by Susan McKee (ACMLA) and Claire Gosson (CCA), the other members of program committee were Alberta Auringer Wood (ACMLA/CCA), Andrew Nicholson (ACMLA).

The host of the 2014 conference will hopefully be announced at the 2013 Conference.

Bibliographic Control Committee. At the Annual General Meeting (2012), there was a discussion, lead by David Jones, with respect to the future directions of the BCC committee. Since there is little interest from the membership, and bibliographic standards are changing, it was decided that BCC be reviewed as a committee in the next year, ideally as part of the task force established in the 2012 conference. Under the guidance of David Jones (Co-Chair), Janina Mueller, volunteered to be the key lead and co-chair for BCC during this year. Her BCC report can be found on our website.

Under the umbrella of the BCC and the Publications committee, Nancy Lemay and Sylvie St-Pierre, are translating the “ACMLA Recommended Best Practices in Citation of Cartographic Materials” into French.

Regardless of what form BCC takes in the next couple of years, it is important for ACMLA to discuss our role in advising and consulting our members on the topic of Bibliographic standards of print and digital materials. We also must examine our role in the Canadian Cataloguing Committee and the implementation of RDA guidelines for Cartographic materials.

Membership Committee

The members of the 2013 Membership Committee are Leanne Trimble (Chair), Deena Yanofsky, and Sherri Sunstrum. The major accomplishment of the membership committee was the implementation and launching of our new online membership management system. Our members can now renew and pay for their memberships online. The team, with assistance from Larry Laliberté, successfully implemented the online registration/payment system for the 2013 conference with CCA.

It is important to note in this report, that Library Archives Canada (LAC), hasn't renewed its membership in our organization. In addition, we have seen a decrease in the number of ACMLA members who work at LAC.

Copyright Committee

The Copyright Committee is currently inactive. We are currently looking for a chair and additional members for the committee. For more information about the committee, please visit the terms of reference.

Awards Committee

Eva Dodsworth is chair of the Awards committee this year. Please see the ACMLA website for the 2012-2013 report.

Mentorship Program

Colleen Beard oversaw the ACMLA mentorship program. She will be contacting new members of the Association to see if they would like to have mentors.

VP1 Initiative – Roundtable Discussion on Library Archives Canada

On May 17th 2013, the NDP members of the Heritage committee organized a roundtable discussion called the "Roundtable on LAC and Canadian Heritage". This was an opportunity for representatives from Heritage, Library, and Archive organizations to share thoughts regarding the shifts ongoing at LAC including the major financial challenges, reductions in services, as well as the new Code of Conduct for LAC employees, and how these changes have real impacts on the collection, protection and sharing of Canadian history and heritage. I coordinated ACMLA's participation on the committee, and Nancy Lemay represented ACMLA at the table. One outcomes of the meeting was the joint statement on the "Qualities of a Successful Librarian and Archivist of Canada".

Closing Remarks

During the past two years, as 1st Vice President, I had the opportunity to work with a great group of colleagues, and to work on two major projects (the publication of Best Practices in English and French), and the implementation of our online membership system.

I would like to thank Janina Mueller and David Jones (co-chairs) for their work on the Bibliographic Control Committee. David has stepped down as co-chair and is enjoying retirement. Janina has stepped down as co-chair, to pursue her new career as a data librarian at Harvard University. I would like to wish both Janina and David good luck in their future endeavours.

I would like to extend thanks to Cynthia Dietz for the Copyright Committee, Leanne Hindmarch for her leadership in the Membership Committee, Eva Dodsworth for the Awards Committee, and Colleen Beard for the Mentoring program.

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