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From the President's Desk

submitted by Sarah Gladwell

Welcome to the last installment of my "From the President's Desk." It was more difficult to write than the first one!

It has been a busy year and, in hindsight, a quick one. I've learned a lot from this experience and I hope I've done a good job. Thank you for having confidence in me and giving me this amazing opportunity to serve a profession for which I have a deep respect and the Atlantic Provinces in which I've found a happy home. I don't get called an "Upper Canadian" much anymore so I think I'm fitting in.

I think being a librarian is in my blood. Both my parents were high school teachers and my Mom later became a teacher-librarian, even then a rare breed. I experienced her methods first-hand when I attended the high school where she ran the library with an iron fist. A well-dressed, well-spoken, intelligent iron fist who didn't suffer fools of any kind. Ever. She was a force to be reckoned with for students and colleagues alike and she was a great teacher, librarian, colleague, administrator, innovator, mentor, and friend.

I was reminded of this when I received a copy of the speech one of her dear friends and colleagues made at her retirement party 15 years ago. She was a gutsy lady and a human rights pioneer: she sponsored the first library display of adolescent books for gay/lesbian and bisexual kids. She was always willing to share ideas for making the library part of the learning experience of students, a leader and model for women in education in London, a founding member of the Women's Networking Group and even though she never really learned how to use one, made sure her library was one of the first to have computers. She was never at a loss for ideas. As proud as I am of all she accomplished, often in the face of great opposition, my favorite contribution from one of her fellow teachers: "Afraid of Shirley?! Never – as long as you knew what you were doing. Now if you didn't – that's a different story."

We have lost two good people this year; we are better for having known Norman Horrocks and Douglas Lochhead and we are certainly very sad they are gone. They inspired many people and gave a lot to the profession in many different ways. I'm sure many of us admire them and look to their example.

What can we do to show our esteem for such people and make sure libraries and those working in them remain vital parts of our communities? We should always strive for excellence and be willing to learn. We shouldn't be afraid or reluctant to stand up for what we believe in. We should be prepared to educate detractors and nay-sayers, and shed light where there is darkness. We should work together, support each other, and be willing to compromise so long as we don't compromise our principles. And we should always find a way to give back through research, mentoring, teaching, and volunteering.

I'd like to dedicate my last column to my mentor, confidante, supporter, and mother, Shirley Gladwell, with much love and respect and a promise to make her proud as I preside over our conference, On the Edge...in St. John's, NL.

eBooks Demands Rise as HarperCollins Change Licensing Model: Halifax Public Libraries Monitoring Library Impact

Submitted by Sharon Haley-Mancini

In early March, a major publishing partner of Overdrive changed its lending model for libraries. The new model dictates that any new HarperCollins ebooks can be licensed for only 26 circulations, rather than purchased outright. Once the books have circulated 26 times, an additional license can be purchased in order to maintain access to the title for another 26 circulations. Since this model came into effect, Halifax Public Libraries has not purchased any additional Harper Collins titles.

Debbie LeBel, Collections Development Manager, is currently monitoring the industry and its impact on libraries. She said: "our concern is that this is the start of a growing trend which will steeply impact the cost of providing eBooks to library-goers at a time when demand for this service is exploding." In Halifax, the demand for ebooks rose 260% over the course of the last year.

News from Nova Scotia

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

[Cape Breton Regional Library](#)

Submitted by Chris Thomson

New North Sydney Library Opens

The Cape Breton Regional Library is happy to announce that the North Sydney Branch reopened its doors at its new location on January 24, 2011. The Wilfred Oram Centennial Library, previously housed in an old stone bank building on Commercial Street, North Sydney, made the move next door to the new North Sydney Heritage and Culture Centre that will also house the North Sydney Historical Museum (including a vintage fire truck!), a Seniors' Centre, and office space. The Library features a bright, modern space with a larger program room, more public computer terminals, and access from the Historical Museum. The Library's new home at the Heritage and Culture Centre will be a community focal point for learning, information, and resources.



New Book Clubs at CBRL

Over the past year, CBRL began to offer Seniors' Book Clubs with the generous support of the New Horizons for Seniors Program. Two clubs began at the main McConnell branch in Sydney in early 2010. Now there is a third club in Sydney and clubs have started at the New Waterford, Sydney Mines, North Sydney, and Louisbourg branches, with two more clubs in Glace Bay.

There can be up to 10 people in each book club. CBRL has obtained 10 copies each of 46 different titles for exclusive use by the clubs. The titles were chosen by a panel of seniors and library staff. Each book club gets four weeks to read their book of choice and then members come together at their library branch to talk about the book. The clubs are proving to be enjoyable social events, great ways to meet other people, and get a chance to hear others' points of view. Juggling the book requests from all

the different clubs around the region and getting them to and from branches on time for each club meeting seems to be the biggest challenge!

The McConnell Library has also started a Book Club for Men, started by Librarian Nick Warren and welcoming men of any age. The titles chosen by this club reflect the interest of the participants, and include some on the seniors' list, but also others available from the library's general collection and personal collections.

Eastern Counties Regional Library

Submitted by Lesley Carruthers

Eastern Counties Regional Library (ECRL) was proud to be the first library region in the province to host a visit from the Honourable Dave Wilson, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage. Public libraries are overseen by this newly-created department and are a key service for its focus on communities. This is the first time in its history that the government Minister responsible for public libraries has ever visited the library.

Minister Wilson, accompanied by Jim Boudreau, MLA for Guysborough-Sheet Harbour, had a tour of library headquarters and the Mulgrave Library. A presentation was made by Chief Librarian Laura Emery about the unique challenges of rural public library service. Also in attendance for the morning session was Nova Scotia Provincial Librarian Jennifer Evans; ECRL Board Chair Shirley McNamara, who was joined by fellow Board member and Vice-Chair Myles MacPherson; Municipality of the District of Guysborough; and Paula Davis, ECRL Board member for Port Hawkesbury.

Management, Board, and staff said a fond farewell to Jamie Griffis, Manager of Public Services. Ms. Griffis, who joined the library for a term contract in the fall, has left the ECRL team to take a management position with the Barrie Public Library. Ms. Griffis was very involved in many of the changes that have occurred over the past few months at ECRL. Her tremendous work ethic, pleasant personality, and the many accomplishments she produced in such a short period of time were much appreciated by library staff and patrons.



Heritage (2nd from left) and special guests stand with the 3D map that outlines the layout and services of the area covered by Eastern Counties Regional Library. From left to right: Jim Boudreau, MLA Guysborough-Sheet Harbour; Minister Wilson; Myles MacPherson, Councillor for the Municipality of the District of Guysborough and ECRL Vice-Chair; Marney Simmons, Mayor of Mulgrave; Jennifer Evans, Provincial Librarian; Laura Emery, ECRL Chief Librarian; Shirley McNamara, Chair of ECRL Board; and Paula Davis, Board member for Port Hawkesbury.

Halifax Public Libraries

Submitted by Sharon Haley-Mancini

Central Library – Public Art Update

The Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) sought requests for qualifications (RFQs) between December 7 and January 25, for qualified professional artists and artist-led collaborative groups to participate in a public art design process for the new Halifax Central Library. The first stage of public art solicitation is the RFQ. Ninety-four submissions were received.

On February 28, the public art selection committee met to review the submissions. The selection committee includes:

- Sarah Fillmore - Chief Curator, Art Gallery of Nova Scotia
- Christine Macy - Dean, Faculty of Architecture and Planning, Dalhousie School of Architecture
- Robin Metcalfe - Curator, Saint Mary's University Art Gallery
- Kim Morgan - Artist, Assistant Professor in Sculpture, NSCAD University
- Peter Dykhuis - Director/Curator, Dalhousie Art Gallery
- Denis Cunningham- Manager, Communications and Marketing, Halifax Public Libraries

Six artists have been selected to move onto the next stage of competition, including:

- Dan Corson - USA
- Garry Neill Kennedy and Cathy Busby - CAN
- George Legrady - CAN (living and working in the United States of America)
- Jill Anholt - CAN
- Realities United - GER
- Rodney Latourelle - CAN (living and working in Germany)

Each submission was assessed on:

- the artist's or collective's capacity to work collaboratively with the project team (architects, etc.)
- the strength of their past work and peer recognition
- the nature of their approach to this project in relation to the project itself (the design of the building, the functional use of the space, and the community relationship to the library)

Shortlisted artists will now work in consultation with project architects and municipal staff to produce a detailed design for integrated public artwork to be included in the construction of the Halifax Central Library.

For continued updates on Halifax Central Library see halifaxcentrallibrary.ca

Art Attack – No Holds Barred Arts & Crafts

Halifax Public Libraries and its community partners, Visual Arts Nova Scotia (VANS) and the Nova Scotia Centre for Craft and Design (NSCCD), are encouraging HRM residents to get crafty with the launch of Art Attack – No Holds Barred Arts & Crafts.

Art Attack, a four-week series of arts and crafts programming, launched Monday, March 21, and is aimed at promoting local artistry and crafting and at providing an environment where library goers may unleash their own creativity.

"Working closely with our community partners on this project has enabled Halifax Public Libraries to provide unique opportunities for all HRM residents to learn more about the wonderful work being produced by our local arts and crafts community and to have a chance to learn new creative skills," said Heather MacKenzie, Regional Manager for Arts and Culture programming.

"Our libraries also have extensive collections for borrowing to support learning in all areas of arts and crafts. We hope regular library-goers and new customers will visit their local branch during this exciting program series and discover their inner artist," added Heather.



Programs will cover many forms of arts and crafts — from painting to jewelry making, knitting to digital imaging and more. There are some programs which are hands-on in nature and others will provide customers with a demonstration by an artist. “Meet the Maker” programs will provide an opportunity to see works in development and to meet the artist behind the craft. Selected branches will also provide library visitors an opportunity to create their own piece for an “ink quilt” that will be displayed later in the branch.

Halifax Public Libraries is hosting an artist-in-residence at the Captain William Spry Public Library from March 23 to April 20. Local textile artist, Pat Loucks, will present workshops on making art with cloth in different ways, such as tie-dyeing, waxing, painting, inkjet printing, stitching, and weaving. Pat will also have a workspace to create her own work during the residency.



Funding for Art Attack has been kindly provided by the Province of Nova Scotia, through the Department of Communities, Culture and Heritage.

Changes to Dartmouth North Community Centre

Construction is underway to create a new computer space at Dartmouth North Public Library. The Evolutions Room in the Dartmouth North Community Centre (DNCC) will now become part of the library. Additional computers will be added to the library, increasing the total number of available computers to 19, including one assistive-technology workstation with an adjustable table for wheelchair access. The room that currently houses the DNCC CAP site will become a bookable meeting room for the community.

Community Recreation Services (CRS) now manages and operates the DNCC and computer labs are not a program offered by CRS. “Halifax Public Libraries works collaboratively with a range of partners to provide services to the community and we offer computer access programs in 14 branches,” said Darla Murzerall, Branch Manager of the Dartmouth North Library.

To ensure that members of the Dartmouth North community continue to have free computer access, the library and CRS have developed an agreement that will see this popular computer access program continue as part the computer and Internet services offered by the library.

“In this case, there was a unique opportunity for the library to work with the centre, and to ensure continuation of a needed service to the community,” adds Darla.

ACADEMIC LIBRARIES

[Mount Saint Vincent University](#)

The Mount Library is happy to announce a new resource for those interested in the social economy – Social Economy Space (SE-Space).

Launched formally in February 2011, SE-Space is an online repository for documents focused on the works, publications, and research by persons involved in researching and writing about matters pertaining to the social economy. It contains works authored by academics as well as practitioners working in the area of social economy. The main focus is on work authored by or relevant to Atlantic Canadians.

Social Economy Space was a collaborative effort with MSVU Professor and Director of the Social Economy and Sustainability Research Network Dr. Leslie Brown and her team, in cooperation with MSVU Archivist Roger Gillis and Librarians Stan Orlov, Hilary Skov-Neilson, and Meg Raven. SE-Space is part of the MSVU Digital Commons, the MSVU institutional repository.

We invite you to visit the site, and to promote it to any interested parties within your networks. SE-Space can be viewed at: <http://www.socialeconomyatlantic.ca>

Linked on SE-Space you will also find a subject guide on the social economy, compiled by MSVU Librarian Meg Raven: <http://libguides.msvu.ca/socialeconomy>

News from Prince Edward Island

[PEI Public Library Service](#)

Submitted by Trina O'Brien Leggott

The PEI Public Library Service Library Skills Development Certificate Program will be offering an exciting new workshop this spring. This is the fifth workshop to be offered in the eight module certificate program, designed for front line customer service staff. In May we are pleased to offer Community Engagement, a full day workshop presented by a team from Halifax

Public Libraries.

The PLS will also soon be engaged with Islanders via Digital Media Downloads on OverDrive. A startup collection of 2000 audio and ebooks in all genres has been selected to ensure there is something for everyone to enjoy.

Our March break program, Read Around the House, was very successful this year. Registration increased by more than 100% and the number of books read jumped by almost 50%.

Since January 2011 all branches have been holding weekly storytimes using the template developed by the Newfoundland and Labrador Public Libraries. The template allows branch staff to draw on common resources and to ensure that families across the Island have access to a planned program using one or more of the six essential early learning skills.

Erica Lane and Steve Zaat, members of the duo Zany Lane, "showcased" at the Confederation Centre Public Library during the ECMAs last month. The duo were nominated for their first CD called Raised by Ducks. There were over 100 in attendance at the loud and lively performance.



The duo Zany Lane performed to a crowd of 100 at the Confederation Centre Public Library during ECMAs

News from the School of Information Management, Dalhousie University

<http://sim.management.dal.ca/>

Submitted by Jenn Cox

The latest Inform is now available!

This issue covers the period from July to December 2010 and can be found on the [SIM website](#) or by clicking the link below. We look forward to receiving your updates and hearing your feedback. Happy reading!

SIM Welcomes Dr. Ann Curry as Researcher-in-Residence

The School of Information Management (SIM) was very pleased to have Dr. Ann Curry join us as a Researcher-in-Residence for the month of March 2011. Dr. Curry holds a BLS (AB), an MLS (UBC), and a PhD in Information Studies from the University of Sheffield. Dr. Curry is past director of the School of Library and Information Studies, University of Alberta, and is currently on study leave from the School. Dr. Curry had a lengthy career as a public librarian before joining academe, which resulted in her life-long advocacy of the public library as a key information forum and intellectual freedom bastion.



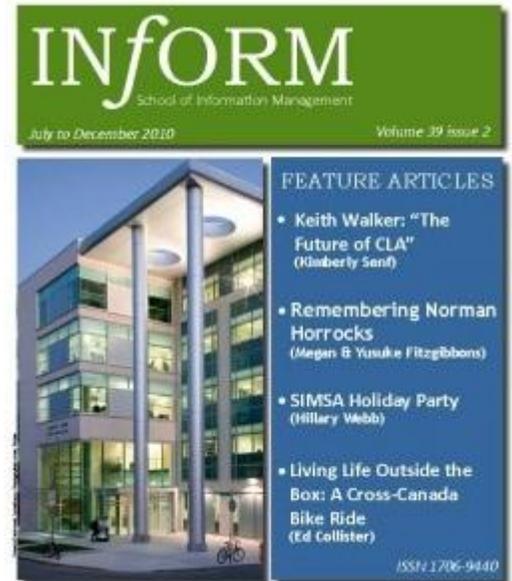
Dr. Curry's library career began in 1969 when she was assigned to teach English and math at a very impoverished Chinese school in rural Malaysia. There were no public or school libraries in the entire northern state near the Thai border. Concerned about her students' lack of access to the resources they needed, Dr. Curry started a small school library in an empty office, with books sent by sea from her parents in Canada and with books gathered from the local Peace Corps volunteers.

Dr. Curry is currently completing research on the phenomenon of the "heckler's veto," the threatened or actual disruption of a speaker in the public arena that results in the cancellation or truncation of a public speech. The heckler's veto has been exercised on Canadian and American university campuses and in public libraries many times over the past twenty years, always accompanied by controversy. The veto by threat of violence from protestors or by the noise of actually shouting down the speaker is considered by some to be a right of free speech under the Canadian Charter, while others consider the veto an undemocratic act of censorship. Dr. Curry is analyzing all sides of this complex issue under American and Canadian law and as played out in public forums.

IM Public Lectures at SIM

We've had a diverse group of guests for our Public lecture series at SIM. Below are some highlights:

From Just-in-Case to Just-in-Time: The Changing Models for Information Resources Management and Development by Joyline Makani, Management and Economics Librarian, Dalhousie University



In today's economy, faced with increased pressure to reduce costs, information resources vendors, and publishers are more receptive to the idea that just-in-time (JIT) business and service models could be beneficial to their bottom-line. JIT is a management philosophy that focuses on the production and inventory system ensuring that supplies arrive just as they are needed. Consequently the mounting pressure on vendors' margins and the increasing adoption of JIT concepts as ways to reduce costs has resulted in new selection and acquisition models being pushed into the information manager's work processes, specifically collection management and development processes. For librarians/information managers, the question remains: is JIT the right prescription to the effective building and maintaining of library collections, i.e., does JIT enable lean and efficient collection development processes?



Joyline Makani has worked as the Management and Economics Librarian at Dalhousie University for over ten years. As a subject specialist, her primary areas of responsibility with regards to collection management and development include business, commerce, economics, information management, and public administration. She also teaches graduate and undergraduate courses in the Faculty of Management. She holds MLIS and MBA degrees from Dalhousie University and is currently a PhD candidate in Knowledge Management.

The Freedom to Read in Canada: Is the Door Opening or Closing?
by Ann Curry, School of Library and Information Studies, University of Alberta

An analysis of censorship incidents in Canada and abroad within the last 12 months reveals a disturbing trail of restricted access to information. Dr. Curry will discuss the freedom to read in its broadest context and how this freedom philosophy has been implemented or incinerated in various situations.

Ann Curry is a professor and past director at the School of Library and Information Studies, University of Alberta in Edmonton. Previously, she taught at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver for 18 years and worked for 19 years in special, college, and public libraries in Canada and Australia. She is an award-winning teacher, and speaks frequently at conferences regarding intellectual freedom, library architecture, and the role of public libraries.



Help! My Mum's on Facebook: Combating the Lowest Common Denominator Culture in Online Social Networks
by Bernie Hogan, Research Fellow, Oxford Internet Institute

Traditional interfaces to social network sites (such as Facebook, Twitter, and MySpace) offer users few cues about the underlying friendship structure. Diverse weak ties such as neighbours, parents, workmates, family, high school chums, church mates, and sports teams are represented in one-dimensional lists of 'friends'. These lists make it difficult to work with information that requires situational norms (such as complaining about a boss, but still wanting to be employed, expressions of religious faith without offending non-believers). This talk gave an overview of past literature as well as interviews conducted in June of 2010 that suggest first a trend towards the lowest common denominator of possible discussion topics (reducing this potential public sphere to tourist pictures, baby photos, and today's lunch menu) as emerging alternative mechanisms used to resist or combat this lowest common denominator.



Bernie Hogan is a Research Fellow at the Oxford Internet Institute. He specializes in novel methods for online data capture and analysis, especially via social media. Recent work has focused on the capture analysis of Facebook networks, particularly through his application namegenweb, which downloads a social network for visualization in network programs such as NodeXL. Past work included an online audit study of racism on Craigslist, pen and paper methods for visualizing social networks, the analysis of profile photos, and techniques for online surveys of spouses and partners. Bernie received his dissertation from the University of Toronto in 2009 under Barry Wellman. This thesis won the Dordick Award for Best Dissertation from the Communication and Technology section of the International Communication Association.

Student Research Presentations

Nicole Dixon: Designing Web Usability

Barbara Hill-Taylor: Building Knowledge in Health Care

Katie Puxley: Google in China

Lidia Zykova: The Application of Information Technology to the Records Management Field: A Case Study

SIM Faculty Featured in the News

Paul McKenna (part-time instructor) conducted a [radio interview](#) on CBC about the departure of William Elliot as commissioner of the RCMP. Louise Spiteri spoke about computer security in an interview with Chronicle Herald writer Diane Merlevede. Published Wednesday February 9, the article was entitled "Computer Security a Major Issue for Government, Business".

Anatoliy Gruzd was interviewed by several sources in regards to his social media research at the Canada Games. Check out the [Dal News article](#) published February 14 or listen to his CBC Radio broadcast: [Spreading Joy, 140 Characters at a Time!](#)

Information Without Borders Conference

Change Management: Anticipation and Adaptation in the Information Landscape

The student-led IWB Committee planned and hosted a very successful and thought-provoking conference focusing on transformations in resources, technology, legislation, services, and physical spaces and how they are revolutionizing the way that we think about information. The speakers and panel discussions covered interdisciplinary topics that were relevant and timely.

The conference addressed the complex role of information managers in locating themselves at the heart of change, meeting challenges, and identifying trends. They explored the way leaders in the field are using innovative solutions, communication, and collaboration to creating rich, nuanced, responsible, and responsive visions of the future. For more information visit the [IWB website](#).

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APLA 2010 CONFERENCE SUPPLEMENT

Draft Agenda for the 72nd Ordinary General Meeting

Submitted by Lori McCay-Peet

St. John's, NL

Tuesday, May 17, 2011 (Part 1)

Wednesday, May 18, 2011 (Part 2)

1. Call to Order; Introduction of Head Table
2. Establish Quorum
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. APLA Meeting Rules
5. Minutes of the 71st Ordinary General Meeting, Saint John, NB, May 14 & 15, 2010
6. Business Arising from the Minutes
7. President's Report – S. Gladwell
8. Past President's Report – D. Moses
- 8.1 Standing Order revisions
9. Vice-Presidents' Reports
- 9.1. New Brunswick – S. Kilfoil
- 9.2. Newfoundland & Labrador – T. Murphy
- 9.3. Nova Scotia – S. Haley-Mancini
- 9.4. Prince Edward Island – T. O'Brien-Leggott
- 9.5. Membership – A. Smith
10. Financial Examiner
- 10.1. Report 2010/2011 - P. Glenister
- 10.2. Appointment of Financial Examiner, 2011/2012 – B. Slauenwhite
11. Treasurer – B. Slauenwhite
- 11.1. Report 2010/2011
- 11.2. Budget 2011/2012
12. Report of the APLA Bulletin Editors and Bulletin Management Board – I. Gibson, A. Brooks Robinson, K. Wooshue
13. Report of the APLA website administrator – L. Tweed
14. Aims & Objectives Committee – J. Thompson
15. Committee on Committees and Interest Groups – J. Thompson
- 15.1. Dissolution of the Continuing Education and Conservation of Library Materials Interest Groups
16. Finance – S. Gladwell/B. Slauenwhite
17. APLA Memorial Award – E. Alcock
18. Carin Alma E. Somers Scholarship – J. Thompson
19. Communications and Public Relations - P. Maher
20. Continuing Education Committee – E. Alcock
21. Nominations and Elections – D. Moses
22. Interest Group Reports
- 22.1. Collections Development – C. Perry
- 22.2. Computers and Connectivity – S. Cheng
- 22.3. Francophone – E. Comeau
- 22.4. Information Literacy – A.R. Horsman
- 22.5. Library Technicians – K. Darby
- 22.6. New Librarians and Information Professionals – vacant
- 22.7. Youth Services – vacant
23. Grow a Library Report – D. Moses
24. APLA Archives Report – J. Richard
25. Report of CLA Copyright representative – S. Lloyd
26. Annual Conferences -- Reports
- 26.1. Saint John, NB 2010 – J. Cunningham & J. Fraser
- 26.2. St. John's, NL 2011 – E. Alcock
- 26.3. Wolfville, NS 2012 – J. Richard
- 26.4. TBD 2013
27. Unfinished Business
28. Resolutions
29. Dalhousie University, School of Information Management Update – L. Spiteri
30. Nova Scotia Community College Library Technician Program Update – J. Hodder
31. Inauguration of Incoming President
32. Adjournment

Atlantic Provinces Library Association 71st Ordinary General Meeting – Draft Minutes

Submitted by Lori McCay-Peet

Part 1

Saint John, NB

Friday May 14, 2010 - 5:00 - 7:00 pm

1. Call to Order; Introduction of Head Table
Called to order at 5:15 pm; D. Moses (President); S. Gladwell (VP/President Elect); L. McCay-Peet (Secretary); L. Melanson (Parliamentarian)

2. Establish Quorum
51 present or by proxy

3. Adoption of Agenda
Dr. Black, reporting on Dalhousie University, School of Information Management, is unable to attend OGM Part 2 and therefore agenda item number 30 will be moved to the end of OGM Part 1.
Moved by A. Brooks
Seconded by I. Gibson
Motion carried

4. APLA Meeting Rules

5. Minutes of the 70th Ordinary General Meeting, Halifax, NS, June 11/June 13, 2009
Approval of corrected minutes
Moved by D. Bourne-Tyson
Seconded by S. Kilfoil
Motion carried

6. Business Arising from the Minutes
a) Standing Orders suggest OGM should review our membership to CLA and ASTED annually. We have a lifetime membership in CLA and have renewed membership in ASTED.

b) A Standing Order will be introduced regarding APLA Joint Memberships in agenda item number 23.1.

7. President's Report – D. Moses
Report submitted
D. Moses encouraged membership to donate to CODE.

8. Past President's Report – S. Cleyle
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Report submitted

9. Vice-President's Reports
9.1. New Brunswick – S. Kilfoil
Report submitted

9.2. Newfoundland & Labrador – L. McGillis
Report submitted

9.3. Nova Scotia – D. Beck
Report submitted

9.4. Prince Edward Island – D. Hooper
Report submitted

9.5. Membership – A. Smith
Report submitted

10. Report of the Financial Examiner - P. Glenister
10.1 Report 2009/2010
Report submitted
I. Gibson moved acceptance of the report.
A. Smith seconded
Motion carried

10.2 Appointment of the Financial Examiner for 2010/2011
P. Logan moved that P. Glenister continue as financial examiner for 2010/2011.
S. Cleyle seconded
Motion carried (one abstention)

11. Treasurer's Report – P. Logan
11.1. Report 2009/2010 – P. Logan
Report submitted
P. Logan moved the acceptance of the Treasurer's report as corrected
D. Hooper seconded
Motion carried

11.2. Budget 2010/2011 – P. Logan
Report submitted
P. Logan moved that the proposed 2010/2011 budget be approved
D. Hooper seconded

Motion carried

12. Report of the APLA Bulletin Editors and Bulletin Management Board – I. Gibson/A. Brooks/K. WooShue
Report submitted

Discussion surrounding content of the APLA Bulletin and its relation to a lack of revenue from advertising. APLA Executive has budgeted \$500 this fiscal year to assist APLA Bulletin Management Board and will take under advisement.

13. Report of the APLA Website Administrator – L. Tweed
Report submitted

L. Duggan requested APLA website administrator find a home to archive former conference websites by August 2010. APLA Executive will ensure content is transferred and archived in APLA's website before August 2010".

14. Aims & Objectives Committee – S. Gladwell
Nothing to report

15. Committee on Committees and Interest Groups – S. Gladwell
Report submitted

16. Finance – D. Moses/P. Logan
D. Moses presented First Timer's Grant awarded to Pamela Maher.

D. Moses announced the winners of the APLA grants and awards, and presented the recipients with the grant or award: the First Timer's Grant was awarded to Pamela Maher; the Library Support Staff Conference Attendance Grant was awarded to Leslie Holt; the APLA prize for Dalhousie SIM was awarded to Charmaine Fraser; and the APLA Prize for NSCC Library and Information Technology Program was awarded to Aron Silmeryn.

17. APLA Memorial Award – E. Alcock
Report submitted

Winner of this year's APLA Memorial Award is Denise Rodrigues (Mount Saint Vincent University). D. Bourne-Tyson accepted the award on Denise's behalf.

18. Carin Alma E. Somers Scholarship – S. Gladwell
Report submitted

Winner of this year's Carin Alma E. Somers Scholarship is Jennifer Dyke.

19. Communications and Public Relations – D. Moses
D. Moses welcomed Pamela Maher, new convener of the Communications and Public Relations Committee

20. Nominations and Elections – S. Cleyle
Report was included in the Report of the Past-President (Agenda item 8).

The APLA Executive for 2010-2010 includes:

President – Sarah Gladwell (New Brunswick Public Library Service)

Past President – Donald Moses (University of Prince Edward Island)

Vice President, President Elect – Jocelyne Thompson (University of New Brunswick)

Treasurer – Bill Slauenwhite (NOVANET - The Consortium of Nova Scotia Academic Libraries)

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Vice President Nova Scotia – Sharon Haley-Mancini (Halifax Public Libraries)

Vice President Newfoundland and Labrador – Tina Murphy (Newfoundland and Labrador Public Libraries)

Vice President New Brunswick – Sarah Kilfoil (New Brunswick Public Library Service)

21. Grow a Library Report – S. Cleyle

Report was included in the Report of the Past-President (Agenda item 8). An additional oral report was given to inform the membership that \$935 has been collected from donations at the conference thus far. Conference funds normally budgeted to purchase speaker gifts are being donated on behalf of speakers to CODE.

22. Interest Group Reports

No interest group reports submitted

22.1. Collections Development – vacant

22.2. Computers and Connectivity – H. Cook

22.3. Conservation of Library Materials – vacant

22.4. Continuing Education – D. Rodrigues

22.5. Francophone – E. Comeau

22.6. Information Literacy – vacant

22.7. Library Technicians – K. Darby

22.8. New Librarians and Information Professionals – L. Gagnier

22.9. Youth Services – vacant

23. Standing Order Revisions – S. Cleyle

23.1. Add Standing Order 2.06
Standing Order 2.06 Joint Memberships in APLA and other library associations may be negotiated, such memberships resulting in a percentage decrease in the fees specified in Standing Order 2.02.
Moved by S. Cleyle
Seconded by I. Gibson

S. Kilfoil moved and P. Logan seconded that the words “in a percentage decrease in” be replaced by “in a variation from, and alteration of”
Amendment carried

Motion carried as amended

30. Dalhousie University, School of Information Management Update – F. Black
Report submitted

D. Moses adjourned meeting at 6:32pm

Part 2

Saint John, NB
Saturday May 15, 2010 - 4:45 - 5:30 pm

1. Call to Order; Introduction of Head Table
Called to order at 4:51 pm.

2. Establish Quorum
60 present or by proxy

24. Continuing Education Committee – E. Alcock
Report submitted

25. APLA Archives Report – J. Richard
J. Richard presented an oral report.
She plans to work with website administrator to set up mechanism that will allow APLA documents to be transferred electronically to the archives.

26. CLA Copyright Representative Report – S. Lloyd
Report submitted

27. Annual Conferences
27.1. Saint John 2010 – J. Cunningham & J. Fraser
J. Cunningham submitted an oral report

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Approximately 163 delegates attended the conference. A total of 85 registered for banquet plus 5 attended dance. There were 34 exhibitors at the conference.

27.2. St. John's 2011 – E. Alcock
Report submitted; the date and place of next year's Conference were confirmed: May 16-19, 2011, in St. John's, Newfoundland.

27.3. 2012
The APLA 2012 conference host is Acadia University, Wolfville, Nova Scotia. Erin Patterson is conference chair.

28. Unfinished Business
28.1 D. Moses announced that Peter Webster of Saint Mary's University was the recipient of the APLA Merit Award.

29. Resolutions

1) Resolved that the name of the recipient of the APLA Merit Award be officially announced by the APLA Executive after a decision has been made.

Qu'il soit résolu que le nom du récipiendaire du prix de mérite d'APLA soit annoncé officiellement par l'exécutif après que la décision est prise.

Moved by J. Richard / Seconded by E. MacLean

Motion carried

2) Resolved that APLA extends its sincere appreciation to the members of the Saint John Conference organizing committee, the speakers, exhibitors, sponsors, and all who have contributed to the success of this conference.

Qu'il soit résolu qu'APLA donne son appréciation sincère aux membres du comité organisateur du congrès de Saint John, aux conférenciers, aux exposants et à tous ceux qui ont contribué au succès de la conférence.

Moved by S. Kilfoil / Seconded by S. Gladwell

Motion carried

30. Dalhousie University, School of Information Management Update – F. Black

Was reported after item number 23.1

31. Nova Scotia Community College Library Technician Program Update – J. Hodder
Report submitted

32. Inauguration of Incoming President

D. Moses thanked the outgoing members of the Executive: Vice President Nova Scotia Darlene Beck, Vice President Prince Edward Island Dawn Hooper, Treasurer Penny Logan, Past President Su Cleyle and new members of the Executive: Vice-President/President Elect Jocelyne Thompson, Vice-President Nova Scotia Sharon Haley-

Mancini, Vice-President Newfoundland and Labrador Tina Murphy, Vice-President Prince Edward Island Trina O'Brien Leggott, and Treasurer Bill Slauenwhite.

D. Moses passed the gavel to S. Gladwell and wished her all the best.

S. Gladwell thanked D. Moses for all his hard work, leadership, and support. Thanked membership for the privilege of serving them as president.

33. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:12 pm.

Atlantic Provinces Library Association Meeting Rules

1. All Personal, Honorary Life, Life, and Institutional Members may participate in discussions at General Meetings. Nonmembers may speak by general consent of the Members or by majority vote of the Members present and voting.
2. Persons seeking recognition from the Presiding Officer shall identify themselves for the record, giving their names, library or other affiliation, and whether Members or nonmembers.
3. All categories of Members as given above may vote whether present in person or by proxy in accordance with the Articles of Association.
4. Debate shall be limited to five minutes for each speaker; no speaker may have the floor twice on the same question until all who wish to speak have spoken.
5. Resolutions at ordinary general meetings shall be submitted to the Resolutions Committee in either of the official languages. Resolutions shall be presented to the ordinary general meeting in English; if asked for, a free translation of resolutions into French will be given orally from the floor by a French-speaking member of the committee; and Resolutions shall be printed in their final form in the APLA Bulletin in both English and French. Resolutions shall be framed only in connection with contentious matters or questions of policy. The presiding officer shall protect the meeting from obviously frivolous or dilatory motions by refusing to recognize them.
6. All motions and amendments from the floor shall be written by the makers and submitted to the Secretary. Discussion will not begin until they have been read or displayed to the Membership.
7. At the beginning of each session of the meeting the Presiding Officer will announce the agenda and rule on proposed additions. After the agenda has been adopted by the members present, it can be departed from only by general consent or by a two-thirds vote.
8. The President shall appoint a Parliamentarian who shall render service as required at general meetings. During a meeting the work of the Parliamentarian should be limited to giving advice to the Presiding Officer and when requested, to any other member.

(April 2008)

President's Report

Submitted by Sarah Gladwell

One of our first duties was to write 2 letters to then-Minister Tony Clement regarding the axing of the Census Long Form and amendments to Copyright legislation. The government decided not to reinstate the Census Long Form and is proceeding with its National Household Survey. I kept in touch with a contact at Statistics Canada and offered APLA's assistance to ensure as many of the new surveys are filled out as possible so the government would get the most accurate information about Canadians. Bill C-32, the amendment to Copyright legislation, died when the Conservative government fell in March. And after being passed unanimously in the House of Commons, An Act to Amend the Canada Post Corporation Act (library materials) C-509 was stranded in the Senate. Once the election is decided the latter 2 Bills will have to start their journey all over again and APLA will be front and centre and ready to be heard and to help.

We also sent a letter to the NLPL in support of the NLLA's letter regarding the recent posting for a Director of Regional Services. It was advertised internally with an MLIS being a requirement, but when it was posted publicly, that requirement was gone. As of this moment (April), APLA has not had a response from John Tetford and neither has the NLLA.

Games @ the Library was again a success, but our winner has been out of the country. Hopefully we will be able to name them by the time the OGM rolls around.

We had 2 requests for GAF grants this year from Information Without Borders and Hackmatack. They are both worthy events and important to the library community in the Atlantic Provinces, and the student-organized IWB is always well done. APLA was able to contribute funds for both events.

I would like to thank everyone who convened or sat on a committee for a grant or award. It's not easy making the choices they have to make. There are a number of grants and awards available to APLA members and we encourage everyone to visit the APLA website to see what's available: www.apla.ca/benefits.

I would also like to thank those on the Executive whose terms are up: Lori McCay-Peet, secretary, and one person I couldn't have lived without. She's smart, organized and fast and kept me on track. Ian Gibson is moving on from the APLA Bulletin. He has done a difficult and time-consuming job very well with the help of his partner Alexandra Brooks Robinson. His will be hard shoes to fill. Kelli Wooshue, advertising editor for the APLA Bulletin who did her best in a difficult economy with very little time on her hands. Sarah Kilfoil, VP New Brunswick, who juggled her duties for APLA and her many jobs with NBPLS admirably. And last, but certainly not least: Past-President Donald Moses. Always able to shed light on the many questions that come up from not just me, but many on the Executive. Very patient, good natured and knowledgeable. You've all done a wonderful job and I'd like to thank you again on behalf of the membership and I wish you all the best for your next venture.

A big, warm thank you to all the members of the Executive. Thank you for writing and editing letters, representing APLA when I couldn't be there, keeping me informed about what was going on in their respective files and always willing to help, say a kind word or a "way to go." For having different points of view and being willing to share them or support the views of others, or come to a compromise. It's been an honour working with you, such a diverse group, yet united in APLA's best interest. Thank you.

I'd like to welcome the new Executive and wish them well as they carry on: Vice-President, President-Elect Lou Duggan, VP NB Christin Sheridan and Secretary Debbie Costelo. You have big responsibilities, but you are working with a great group of people and you have the support of those who have served before.

Finally I wish President Jocelyne Thompson the best of luck during her presidency. She has served admirably as VP, President-Elect and I know she will be equally admirable as President.

It has been a great privilege to serve as APLA President and I thank you for this opportunity and for the support and good wishes I received during my term.

Vice-President / President-Elect's Report

Submitted by Jocelyne Thompson

This has been a year of growth and learning for me in my APLA role and I thank the members of the Executive who have accompanied me on the voyage. The VP/President Elect sits on several committees and convenes several others including the Committee on Committees and Interest Groups and the Carin Alma E Somers Scholarship Trust Committee. The VP/President Elect also participates in the deliberations of The Partnership of Provincial and Territorial Library Associations.

The Partnership

Two meetings of The Partnership are hosted annually by the Ontario Library Association, one in August (with expenses including travel fully funded by OLA) and another in winter. I attended both meetings. The Partnership's stated mission is to generate revenues to support the work of library associations across the country by offering member services and programs that are jointly developed, supported and promoted by the member associations. Major initiatives include the Job Board, the Education Institute and *The Partnership Journal*. APLA derives a small income from the Job Board and EI. Another important benefit of The Partnership is the information-sharing opportunity it provides to associations as we face similar challenges and strive to offer value to our members.

The Partnership has been following CLA developments closely. CLA Executive Director Kelly Moore attended both meetings to answer questions about the draft CLA Strategic Plan and next steps for the national association. Another initiative of The Partnership has been a pilot Certification Program the objective of which is to promote continuing education amongst library workers. A number of actions remain to be undertaken before a national roll out of the program can take place.

Carin Alma E. Somers Scholarship Trust Committee

I chaired the committee composed of the VP/President Elect and the four provincial vice presidents. Eight applicants for the scholarship were considered. The winner was decided unanimously and will be announced at the APLA Ordinary General Meeting Part 1.

Thank you for allowing me to serve the association. I look forward to the year ahead.

Past President's Report

Submitted by Donald Moses

Nominations and Elections Committee

The Nominations and Elections Committee was formed in early 2011 and included Donald Moses (APLA Past President), Darlene Beck (former VP Nova Scotia), and Jocelyne Thompson (APLA VP / President Elect). Vacancies on the Executive included the VP/President Elect, the VP New Brunswick, and the APLA Secretary. Notices were posted on the APLA website and listserv. Nominations closed on February 28th, 2011. The new members of the APLA Executive are:

- Vice President/President Elect
 - Lou Duggan (SMU)
- VP New Brunswick
 - Christin Sheridan (Public Services Librarian, York Library Region, Fredericton, NB)
- Secretary
 - Debbie Costelo (NSCC)

On behalf of the APLA 2011 Nominations and Elections Committee, I would thank each nominee for agreeing to serve on the APLA Executive.

Merit Award

Several notices regarding the 2011 Merit Award went out to the membership and the deadline for nominations was March 31, 2011. Based on the nominations received the Atlantic region is blessed with a wealth of talented librarians. The Standing Orders state that the Executive shall act as jury for the award. The Executive met to review the applications and is pleased to announce that the recipient of the Merit Award for 2011 is Elaine MacLean, Saint Francis Xavier University. Please join us in celebrating Elaine's accomplishments at the conference's Merit Award Banquet on May 18th, 2011.

Grow a Library Fund Committee

Grow a Library committee members discussed various fundraising initiatives in support of our sponsored library - the Abdoulaye Maiga School and Community Library in Tabakoro, in the Sikasso Region of Mali. This is the first francophone library that the committee has supported. Committee members include: Catherine Kelly, Jennifer Richard, Donna Bourne-Tyson, Lorraine Jackson, Mary Landry, Sarah Gladwell, Sue Adams, Tanja Harrison, and Bill Slauenwhite.

- As part of the Holly Jolly, Tanja Harrison sold tickets on a basket and raised \$125.00 for the cause.
- Jennifer Richard raised funds in conjunction with a Christmas decorating event at Acadia
- The Prince Edward Island Professional Librarians Association contributed \$50.00 in support.

To date we have raised \$1100.00 of our \$2500.00 fundraising goal for this year. If you would like to donate online, please visit:

<http://www.codecan.org/get-involved/adopt-library/find-library/abdoulaye-maiga-school-tabacoro>

During the conference the Committee will be selling stickers on a gift basket full of goodies and we look forward to the support of conference attendees. My thanks to the Grow a Library Committee members and those that have donated or helped support the Abdoulaye Maiga School and Community Library.

Standing Orders Changes

Standing Order 3.15

The APLA Executive will be bringing a motion to revise Standing Order 3.15 at the 2011 OGM.

The current wording is:

3.15 Should a surplus be generated from the annual conference, it shall be distributed as follows:

- (1) 50 percent will be divided between the APLA Memorial Awards Fund and the First Timers Grant Fund, with the amount of the division to be decided by the Executive;
- (2) 50 percent will go to general revenue.

The proposed wording:

3.15 Should a surplus be generated from the annual conference, it shall be distributed as follows:

- (1) 50 percent will go to general revenue;
- (2) 50 percent may be used to maintain the health of the APLA Memorial Awards Fund and/or the First Timers Grant Fund and/or general revenue with the division to be based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee and approval of the Executive.

Standing Order 6.04

A motion will be presented at the 2011 APLA Ordinary General Meeting in St. John's to adopt a revised terms of reference for **Standing Order 6.04: Continuing Education Committee**. Please take note of the rationale and the proposed new terms in preparation for voting at the OGM.

Rationale: In the last several years, APLA has had both an Interest Group and a Standing Committee focused on continuing education. As we have been unsuccessful this year in recruiting a convener for the Interest Group, and given the overlap in mission between the Committee and the interest group, the Executive moved at its Spring meeting to dissolve the Interest Group and enhance the terms of reference for the Standing Committee. Continuing Education is one of the most important member services APLA provides and this change is intended to strengthen our delivery mechanisms.

Proposed Revision:

Standing Order 6.04: Continuing Education Committee

Membership: The Committee shall include the Chair, the APLA President and Vice President/President Elect, as well as a minimum of three additional members. These members shall represent various types of libraries. Members may serve up to three years.

Terms of reference:

1. To identify continuing education needs and opportunities within the region;
2. To develop continuing education content in response to identified needs;
3. To liaise with the Partnership's National Continuing Education Committee and collaborate in the joint development of high quality continuing education programs;
4. To work with the Partnership's Education Institute in the planning of content offerings, including Atlantic

content;

5. To publicize continuing education opportunities and promote the Partnership's Education Institute through the APLA website, Bulletin and listserv;

6. To solicit articles on the subject of continuing education for the APLA Bulletin; and

7. To contribute ideas and coordinate sessions for the APLA Conference.

Thank You

I want to thank the APLA membership for this opportunity to serve the profession. I have enjoyed working and learning with my colleagues on the APLA Executive – it has been a great experience. I had great mentors and I'd like to thank Su Cleyle and Donna Bourne-Tyson. I'd also like to recognize the support of the Robertson Library, University of Prince Edward Island, both personally and as the host of the APLA website. Best wishes to the membership, the Executive, and the Association.

Vice-President, New Brunswick's Report

Submitted by Sarah Kilfoil

Games @ the library – Jeux @ la bibliothèque

Libraries in New Brunswick were enthusiastic about participating in this initiative again this year. Several libraries now offer regular programming with games.

Les bibliothèques ont participé avec enthousiasme à cette encore cette année. Plusieurs bibliothèques offrent maintenant de la programmation régulièrement avec des jeux.

Membership Committee – Comité d'adhésion

I have been contacting New Brunswick members (personal and institutional) whose memberships have lapsed or are about to lapse. Several members have chosen to have a joint membership with the Association of Professional Librarians of New Brunswick.

J'ai fait des suivis suivi avec des membres du Nouveau-Brunswick (personnel ou institutionnel) dont leurs adhésions sont déchéance ou arrive à péremption. Plusieurs membres ont choisi une adhésion conjointe avec Association des bibliothécaires professionnel(le)s du Nouveau-Brunswick.

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I continue to encourage members to write more detailed articles as the opportunity arises.

Je continue à encourager les membres d'écrire des articles plus élaborés lorsque c'est possible.

I appreciate the experiences I have enjoyed over the past two years as Vice-President for New Brunswick. I have enjoyed meeting and working with APLA members in New Brunswick and in other Atlantic provinces and I appreciate the leadership of the executive and thank them for their hard work and dedication. I also wish Christin Sheridan, the new VP for New Brunswick, lots of luck with her new duties.

J'apprécie les expériences que j'ai eu au cours des derniers deux ans dans mon poste de Vice-présidente pour Nouveau-Brunswick. J'ai aimé l'expérience de rencontrer et de travailler avec les autres membres d'APLA au Nouveau-Brunswick et les autres provinces de l'Atlantique et j'apprécie le leadership de l'exécutive et je leur remercie pour leur beau travail. Je souhaite aussi Christin Sheridan, la nouvelle vice-présidente pour Nouveau-Brunswick, la chance avec ses nouvelles fonctions.

Vice-President, Newfoundland and Labrador's Report

Submitted by Tina Murphy

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The APLA Conference in Saint John was a fabulous introduction to the APLA community. The Conference was excellent and it provided excellent professional development opportunities.

Games @ the Library

Games @ the Library was a very successful initiative again this year in Newfoundland and Labrador Public Libraries. Scrabble and chess games are continuing to be held in many branches!

Membership Renewals

As a Member of this Committee I worked to contact all Newfoundland and Labrador APLA members whose membership have expired as well as members whose membership expired three months ago. It is my hope that these efforts were successful!

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Thanks to all contributors from around the province for providing the latest and greatest from their Library and region in support of the APLA Bulletin!

Margaret Williams Trust Fund

As the APLA VP for NL, I am continuing to work with representatives from the Newfoundland and Labrador Library Community in the selection process for the Margaret Williams Trust Fund. The purpose of awards from the Margaret Williams Trust Fund is to promote development of librarianship in Newfoundland and Labrador by providing funds for scholarships, research, special projects, and work exchange opportunities. An update will be provided on the final decision in the selection process.

Vice-President, Nova Scotia's Report

Submitted by Sharon Haley-Mancin

Events Attended

In June 2010 soon after becoming a member of the executive I presented the APLA Prize at the Nova Scotia Community College during graduation ceremonies for students in the LIT program. The prize is awarded to a student in the program who in the opinion of the faculty shows the most professional promise. For the 2010 ceremony the prize was awarded to Aran Silmeryn.

In September 2010 I attended the Dalhousie School of Information Management Student Association orientation event along with Sarah Gladwell. I really enjoyed meeting the new students and talking to them about the value in becoming an APLA member. Most of them took advantage of the free membership for students and registered to become members during the orientation.

In February 2011 I represented APLA at the IWB conference hosted by Dalhousie School of Information Management. The theme of the conference was *Change Management: Anticipation and Adaptation in the Information Landscape* and featured some interesting speakers and sessions. I also appreciated the opportunity to connect with some familiar faces in librarianship.

VP Series: Education Institute Audio-Conference

In December I hosted an EI session *Tech Trends for 2011* with Stephen Abram. Stephen Abram always draws a good audience and this session was well attended by librarians from a variety of libraries including special, public, academic and government.

Games@the Library

Along with the other provincial VPs I participated in the planning and the coordinating of the Games@the Library event held in October 2010. This event was successful in Nova Scotia and included participation from academic and public libraries all across the province.

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I have received a variety of submissions from libraries in the province for the past five bulletins. Changes to the Bulletin guidelines have resulted in fewer articles although we continue to receive a variety of interesting contributions from a range of libraries including public, academic, college and Dalhousie School of Information Management.

Membership Renewals

Each month for the past year I have contacted members whose membership has expired or is about to expire to invite them to renew their membership. I have been successful in soliciting two new institutional memberships from public libraries in Nova Scotia.

Scholarships/Awards

I participated in the selection process for the recipient of the Carin Alma E. Somers Scholarship as well as the recipient of the APLA merit award. It was a privilege to be part of the review process and in both cases all nominated candidates were worthy of recognition.

Vice-President, Prince Edward Island's Report

Submitted by Trina O'Brien Leggott

The APLA conference in St. John provided my introduction to the executive and I thank fellow executive members for sharing your expertise both then and over the past year.

News items from various PEI libraries were collected and submitted for the APLA Bulletin, as well as to the Ex Libris Association Newsletter. Thanks to the busy and creative Island library staff who shared their activities with the APLA community!

The Games @ the Library initiative was once again successful in PEI public libraries with much participation around the province. Several libraries now host regular games events, or have games available to use in the library or to borrow. Robertson Library, University of Prince Edward Island, also participated by hosting their second Games Night @The Library, an invitation extended to the entire campus community.

Using the guidelines developed by the Membership Committee, I contacted former APLA members and current members whose memberships, both personal and institutional, were about to expire, to invite them to renew their memberships.

I was pleased to participate in the selection process for both the Carin Alma E. Somers Scholarship Committee and APLA Merit Award along with fellow executive members. Both attract a strong and vibrant field of candidates and it was an energizing experience in both cases.

Financial Examiner's Report

Submitted by Peter Glenister

Signed copy is available on the website: <http://www.apla.ca/sites/discoveryspace.upei.ca/apla/files/FinX2011.pdf>

To the members of the Atlantic Provinces Library Association

I have examined for integrity and accuracy the financial records of the Atlantic Provinces Library Association as at 31 March, 2011, including the statements of operations, functional expenses, changes in fund balances and changes in financial position for the year then ended. My examination was conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests and procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances. In preparation for my review of the Association's records I met and corresponded with the Treasurer to receive the necessary documents and discuss certain points.

In my opinion, the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures and Balance Statement represent fairly the financial position of the organization and its investments as at 31 March, 2011, and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with the notes to the Statement applied on a basis consistent with that of preceding years. As of that date, the aggregate of assets is \$78,898.29 and the Association's equity is \$78,570.19.

Included in my examination were the current accounts of the Association, its investment accounts, and the Carin Alma E. Somers Scholarship Fund. With respect to reports of previous years, a subsequent amount (\$132.21) could still be considered for repayment from the Somers Fund; however, since a similar charge (\$171.76) for 2010 was paid by the Somers Fund itself, given the sum involved, the Association may choose to cancel this former debt. An additional amount (\$159.64) was paid by the Association for tax preparation and tax owing for 2010. As long as these amounts continue at a modest level, the Association may prefer to continue to absorb those expenses. The current value of the Somers Fund remains at \$76,185.51.

I have also examined the financial records of the APLA Memorial Awards Trust Fund and, in my opinion, the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures and Balance Statement represent fairly the financial position of the Trust Fund as at 31 December, 2010. Current investments are valued at \$20,000 and deposits of \$13,490.05 are in a current account. No award was made in 2010.

Peter Glenister
Mount Saint Vincent University
Halifax, Nova Scotia
9 May, 2011

Treasurer's Report

Submitted by Bill Slauenwhite

As reported last year, investments in money market funds are making a slow recovery. Most of our GICs mature in 2011 and are being renewed at the best rate available. The Conference 2010 Committee is to be congratulated for achieving a significant surplus - \$13,196.47. This surplus is offset by no revenue from Bulletin advertisement. Membership revenue is also down slightly from budget projections, but Membership Chair Ann Smith and the provincial VPs should be commended for a concerted effort to gather institutional memberships, which rose by almost 1/3 over last fiscal year. This year has also seen the addition of two new membership partnerships. We now offer combined memberships with NSLA, NSALT, and APLNB. Revenues less expenses show a net balance of \$10,749.02

APLA Awards and Grants for 2010-2011

- The \$500 APLA Prize to a graduate of the Nova Scotia Community College, Library and Information Technology program was awarded to Aran Silmeryn
- The \$500 APLA Prize to a graduate from the School of Information Management program at Dalhousie University was awarded to Charmaine Fraser
- The First Timers Grant of \$600 was awarded to Pamela Maher
- The Memorial Award of \$1457.60 was awarded to Denyse Rodriguez
- The Carin E. Somers Scholarship award of \$1519.54 was awarded to Jennifer Dyke
- A General Activity Fund (GAF) grant of \$500 was awarded to the Hackmatack Award; a GAF grant of \$500 was awarded to the Information without Borders conference; a GAF grant of \$230 was awarded to the Human Library Project
- The amount of \$203.50 was awarded to support the Games at the Library project.

Financial Statements can be found on the website: <http://www.apla.ca/bulletin/74/4.treasurer>

Vice-President, Membership Report

Submitted by Ann Smith

Summary of Membership Numbers

I am delighted to report that our overall membership numbers are healthy at 379 (see Table 1, page 2). We have 97 new memberships this year (see Table 2, page 2). The majority of our members are personal members as is usual (see Table 3, page 2). The distribution of memberships by region is similar to previous years with Nova Scotia and New Brunswick containing the majority of members followed by Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island (see Table 4, page 2). Newfoundland is doing particularly well this year which in part is due to the location of our conference. The majority of our members remain professional librarians, with para-professionals and students making up a significant minority of members.

Institutional Memberships

This year the Membership Committee had a successful drive on institutional memberships. There has been an increase in institutional membership from 17 to 27 (see Table 6, page 3). The last time we had this many institutional memberships was in 2005: six years ago! There have been increases across all types of institutional memberships and from all the provinces.

Survey of Regional, National, and Territorial Library Associations

As VP Membership I thought it was time we reviewed the membership numbers, categories, fees, and benefits offered by some of the other regional, as well as national and territorial, library associations. As a result of the survey it is clear that APLA membership benefits are similar and comparable to other associations. In terms of overall membership numbers we are doing well. Some of the other associations are moving toward one day conferences because of much lower membership numbers. It is clear that our fees remain extremely reasonable. The Membership Committee will bring forward some potential changes to the types of institutional memberships and fee structure of institutional memberships in the 2011/2012 APLA year. These will be presented to the membership in 2012.

Joint Memberships with the Newfoundland and Labrador Library Association (NLLA)

Bill Slauenwhite and I are currently working with NLLA on a joint membership proposal. The joint memberships are one of our fastest growing membership categories.

Administrative Changes

I asked the fabulous Larry Tweed to increase the number of EasyAsk Reports we produce and to change the structure of these reports to include the "grace period". The "grace period" means members whose memberships expired up to a maximum of three months previously. As members have full voting rights in the "grace period", the membership reports and data should reflect this.

Database maintenance is ongoing. Although our reports only contain active members, there were some very old records (96) in the database and I asked Larry to remove these. Again, we have modified the membership database fields to increase the accuracy and ease with which membership information can be retrieved.

The Membership Committee

The Membership Committee has been busy again this year. This year Sarah Gladwell, Sharon Haley-Mancini, Sarah Kilfoil, Tina Murphy, Trina O'Brien Leggott, Bill Slauenwhite, and Jocelyne Thompson were enthusiastic, hard-working, and tenacious. The results are reflected in those membership numbers. Thank-you!

Table 1

A comparison of the types of membership between April 2011 and April 2010

| Date | April 2011 | April 2010 |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Total Number of Active Memberships | 379 | 366* |

*This figure does not include those members whose membership is in the "grace period".

Table 2

Total Number of New Memberships by Province from May 2010 to April 2011

| Province | NB | NL | NS | PE | Other | Total |
|---------------------------------|----|----|----|----|-------|-------|
| Total Number of New Memberships | 19 | 22 | 48 | 2 | 6 | 97 |

Table 3

A comparison of types of memberships between April 2011 and April 2010

| Memberships | April 2011 | April 2010 |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Personal | 281 | 276 |
| Life/Honorary Life | 33 | 32 |
| Joint | 29 | 27 |
| Institutional | 27 | 17 |
| Complimentary | 9 | 18 |
| Total Number of Active Memberships | 379 | 366 |

Table 4

A comparison of memberships by Location between April 2011 and April 2010

| | April 2011 | April 2010 |
|-------------------|------------|------------|
| NB | 112 | 87 |
| NL | 46 | 28 |
| NS | 177 | 197 |
| PE | 24 | 26 |
| Other or Unstated | 20 | 28 |
| Total | 379 | 366 |

Table 5

A comparison of Personal Members by Type between April 2011 and April 2010

| | April 2011 | April 2010 |
|------------------|------------|------------|
| Librarian | 222 | 191 |
| Paraprofessional | 50 | 41 |
| Student | 56 | 58 |
| Consultant | 1 | 1 |
| Other | 8 | 6 |
| Unstated | 6 | 7 |
| Total* | 337 | 305 |

*This figure excludes institutional and complimentary memberships

Table 6

A comparison of Institutional Members by Type of Institution between April 2011 and April 2010

| Type | April 2011 | April 2010 |
|------------------|------------|------------|
| Academic Library | 12 | 7 |
| Library Business | 1 | 1 |
| Public Library | 10 | 8 |
| Special Library | 3 | 1 |
| Other | 1 | 0 |
| Total | 27 | 17 |

APLA Bulletin Editor's Report

Submitted by Alexandra Brooks Robinson

This past year served as a time of renewal for the Bulletin. For the first time in a long time, the Co-Editors revised the content of the Bulletin. The goal of the revision was to strike a balance between regular news items and showcasing the impressive research, program delivery, and best practice work that is being done throughout the region. The response from the APLA community and from librarians further afield has been encouraging. It is hoped that this diversity of content will continue in the coming year. It is hoped the Bulletin serves both as a platform for sharing interesting news stories with our colleagues across Atlantic Canada and as a forum for in-depth analysis of our work and our contributions to our communities.

With the assistance of the Website Administrator and the Provincial Vice-Presidents, the Co-Editors refined the submissions process for Bulletin news and articles. For each submission deadline, the form submission feature of the web site enables the Co-Editors to avoid several entries being caught by their email security filters. It also enables all entries to be stored in a secure, standard location, thus ensuring both Co-Editors maintain access to the same documents. Finally, this process saves their email accounts from running perilously close to their file storage limit, as many email submissions are much larger in size than their institutions allow.

In closing, this year marked the final full-year's worth of Bulletin edits for Ian Gibson. As he moves on from his tenure as Co-Editor, I extend on behalf of the APLA community sincere thanks to Ian for the days of work he has put in to ensuring the Bulletin is published in as timely a fashion as possible. Barring email gremlins and conflicting work schedules, it has been a fairly smooth process editing the Bulletin with Ian thanks to his charm, adept editing, and superior website publishing skills.

Web Administrator's Report

Submitted by Larry Tweed

The Microsoft Word 2007 docx extension was causing problems when downloading files from the APLA website through Internet Explorer. It gave the file a ZIP extension when downloading. This required a MIME type entry in the server configuration which I passed along to server support and which they fixed.

I added a number of new "Easyask" type reports to the reporting tool at the request of Ann Smith and made some query changes to take into account the three month grace period allotted to expired memberships. I also deleted 96 long expired memberships from the database.

I archived the APLA 2009 and 2010 conference websites using WinHTTrack and sent the files to Donald Moses who put them on the APLA server. I added links to these archives on the APLA website home page. Because it was not easy to incorporate the work-in-progress APLA 2011 website into the APLA Drupal website, I suggested that the conference team continue with their website on the MUN server. I will archive it after the conference like the two previous conferences.

Google Analytics reports 17,194 visits to www.apla.ca over the past year. I have attached a PDF report of top page views (see: http://www.apla.ca/sites/discoveryspace.upei.ca.apla/files/Analytics_www.apla_.ca_20100426-20110426_%28ContentByTitleReport%29.pdf).

Well, where have the last two years gone? I figure it is almost time to let someone else have some fun being APLA website administrator so I'll serve one more year until the end of March, 2012 (to make three).

Committee on Committees and Interest Groups Report

Submitted by Jocelyne Thompson

There are currently nine interest groups within APLA. They – and their conveners – are:

- Collection Development – Cordelia Perry
- Computers and Connectivity - Sam Cheng
- Conservation of Library Materials - vacant
- Continuing Education – vacant
- Groupe d'intérêt francophone – Erin Comeau
- Information Literacy – Amanda Horsman
- Library Technicians – Karen Darby
- New - vacant
- Youth Services – vacant

It must be said that it is becoming increasingly difficult to recruit conveners. This was a topic of discussion at the Spring Executive meeting, from which the following motion emerged:

“Motion to dissolve the Conservation of Library Materials and Continuing Education Interest Groups.”

Moved by: J. Thompson

Seconded by: A. Smith

The Conservation of Library Materials Interest Group has been without a convener for quite some time and the Continuing Education Interest Group seemed a duplication of effort in light of the existence of a Standing Committee on Continuing Education. The decision was made by the Executive to merge the mandates of the two Continuing Education entities and I drafted a revised terms of reference for the Committee for approval by the membership.

I would like to thank all conveners for your contributions to the association and I would be happy to entertain expressions of interest to lead the New Librarians and Information Specialists and the Youth Services interest groups.

Public Relations and Communications Committee Report

Submitted by Pamela Maher

2010 Summary

This is my 2nd year of 2 as Convener for the Public Relations and Communications Committee (hereafter called PRCC) for APLA. During my first year as convener:

- a. I coordinated the second annual Games@theLibrary event in October 2010. This included redesign of graphics, editing of content, and support for participating libraries. See #5 for details.
- b. I have been participating in 2012 APLA Conference Planning as the Co-Chair for Promotions and Public Relations. Jennifer Richard, Conference Chair, requested that I collaborate with this team as a function of my role as convener for the PRCC. To date, we have designed a theme for the conference and have a preliminary design for conference materials.
- c. Some APLA communications were created and fielded by this committee.

2011 Goals

In 2011, I would like to more actively pursue the Terms of Reference of the PRCC and review these Terms of Reference with the Executive after my final year as convener is complete (May 2012). According to APLA's Standing Orders, the Terms of Reference for this committee are:

- a. publicize and promote the aims and activities of APLA to libraries and other related organizations and to the general public of the Atlantic Provinces
- b. promote communication among members and to make the committee visible to all members of the Association
- c. maintain the APLA listserv
- d. maintain the APLA website
- e. edit the APLA Membership Directory
- f. compile annually a list of library-related associations in the Atlantic Provinces for inclusion in the APLA Membership Directory
- g. assist the Bulletin Management Board as necessary in order to ensure the continuance of the APLA Bulletin as the publication of the Association
- h. organize a session at each annual conference to increase the visibility of the committee and communication among APLA members

- i. provide at least one topical article a year on its activities, to be published in the APLA Bulletin

Member Requests

I have requested a complete list of APLA members who have indicated that they want to be involved in the PRCC. This list of members will be used to address some of the items in the previously mentioned Terms of Reference.

PR and Communications Projects

In consultation with the committee members and APLA's Executive, I plan to meet more of the Association's PR and communication needs through special projects (e.g. information brochures, membership drive, fundraising projects, bi-lingual materials, etc.) in the coming year.

Games@theLibrary Winner and Report for the Bulletin

This item has been delayed. An announcement concerning the winning participant and a report that will be published in the Bulletin are forthcoming.

Dalhousie University, School of Information Management Update

Submitted by Louise Spiteri, Director

Program Updates

The Master of Library and Information Studies (MLIS) welcomed 53 new students in 2011; applications for the 2011/2012 academic year are very healthy and are significantly higher than they were this time last year (May 2010). The Master of Information Management (MIM) program saw its first graduates in the Fall Convocation: three students received their Graduate Diploma and are continuing their studies towards the final MIM degree. We are currently working to expand our marketing plan to reach out to targeted industry areas, including banking, insurance and health. The Knowledge Management major in the Bachelor of Management is proving to be very successful to the point where extra course sections needed to be added. SIM faculty members are actively involved in teaching courses in the MLIS, MIM, and Bachelor of Management programs.

SIM is preparing for the renewal of accreditation of the MLIS program (2012-2019). A site visit will take place in October 2012. We will be preparing our program review in anticipation of a successful outcome.

Faculty Updates

Dr. Fiona Black has been awarded a Nominated Research Fellowship at the Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities (IASH) at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, where she is working on the SSHRC-funded project "Investigating Complexity in Information Studies: The Example of Print Culture and Geographic Information Systems." Dr. Fiona Black is part of a Dalhousie team to receive an award of \$500,000 from the T. K. Foundation to study the question of piracy from the perspective of its economic, social, legal, political, governance, administrative and security/operational aspects. Key to this endeavor is the involvement of representatives from across the university in the areas of international law, legal enforcement, marine security, marine transportation and commerce, information and knowledge management, international development, marine management, policy and governance.

Dr. Vivian Howard has been awarded the 2010/11 Eileen Wallace Fellowship from the University of New Brunswick. Among other criteria, the successful applicant must demonstrate scholarly knowledge in the field of children's literature. Dr. Vivian Howard has been promoted to the rank of Associate Professor, with tenure.

Jackie MacDonald, an adjunct faculty member, successfully defended her PhD dissertation (University of Sheffield): "The Information Sharing Behaviour of Health Service Managers: A Three-Part Study."

Dr. Ann Curry (University of Alberta) was a researcher-in-residence during the Winter term. Dr. Curry's research focuses on phenomenon of the "heckler's veto," the threatened or actual disruption of a speaker in the public arena that results in the cancellation or truncation of a public speech. The heckler's veto has been exercised on Canadian and American university campuses and in public libraries many times over the past twenty years, always accompanied by controversy.

Dr. Vivian Howard has been working on the Sea Stacks (seastacks.ca) research project. Sea Stacks is an authoritative, web-based resource for teachers, librarians, researchers, youth, and parents that features information on and about Atlantic Canadian books, authors and illustrators for children and young adults. When completed, the site will include comprehensive annotated bibliographies of primary texts, author and illustrator profiles, videotaped interviews, analysis, and criticism.

Dr. Anatoliy Gruz'd's research into the use of twitter feeds during the Canada Winter Games and the Federal Election has generated much interest in the news media.

Dr. Louise Spiteri has been approached by OCLC (Online Computer Library Center), which is the world's largest computer library service and research organization dedicated to the public purposes of furthering access to the world's information and reducing the rate of rise of library costs, to conduct research on the WorldCat catalogue. This project will explore the use of social features (e.g., tagging, reviews, and user ratings) in WorldCat, which is an extension of Dr. Spiteri's ongoing and ground-breaking research into the use of such features in social discovery systems.

Dr. Bertrum MacDonald has been appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Public Archives of Nova Scotia. Dr. Louise Spiteri was elected to the Board of Directors (Director of External Affairs) of the American Society for Library and Information Science Education, and has been chosen to serve on the American Library Association's Committee on Accreditation, which is the body that accredits the MLIS program. Dr. Spiteri will undergo training in 2012.

Student updates

In conjunction with our student association, we launched the 2010/2011 professional partnership program. The program pairs an MLIS student with a professional mentor in the information management professions. This year saw the largest number of participating mentors in the program's history.

There will be four presentations from MLIS students at the annual conference of the Canadian Library Association in May.

The SIM-led student editorial team has published the latest volume of the Dalhousie Journal of Interdisciplinary Management (<http://ocs.library.dal.ca/ojs/index.php/djim>)

Nova Scotia Community College Library Technician Program Update

Submitted by Joanne Hodder

Report online at <http://www.apla.ca/sites/discoveryspace.uepei.ca.apla/files/NSCCLIT-Annual-APLA-Report2010-2011.pdf>