

## Minutes

### Nunavut Library Association (NLA) Meeting

May 18, 2011

Office of the Commission Scolaire Francophone du Nunavut

Present: Jenny Thornhill, Carolyn Mallory, Shiloa Thomas, Qingyi (Ken) Su, Yvonne Earle.

By teleconference: Carol Rigby, Leigh-Ann Cumming

Regrets: Catherine Hoyt, Rae-Lynne Aramburo, Philippa Ootova

1. Agenda items added. Agenda accepted.
2. Minutes of November 10, 2010 accepted as recorded by Carol Rigby.

#### 3. Library / member updates

**NWRCC** – Carolyn. Carolyn will be leaving her position and moving to Wolfville, NS in September. Now looking to find a replacement manager to train for the NWRCC. GN Environment has become a quiet library, no new materials being added. NRI new library space has compact shelving which unfortunately has not added any space but makes it more awkward to work when there is more than one person using the collection. The shelves are almost full and the previously stored collections are still in boxes. Unsure if NRI is going to continue as part of the NWRCC. GN ED&T is busy and a lot to do with new materials to be catalogued. DFO library is moving to Qamutiq building but no boxes have been provided to pack up the collection and Carolyn has not seen the new space. NWMB had some website problems when they switched servers and about 80 document records were lost and had to be re-done.

**Legislative Library** – Yvonne. Linda left May 9 and a summer student may be hired until an indeterminate posting in the fall. Moving the electronic collection from behind the firewall to a web repository and providing access to e-docs from the catalogue has been the main project; Carol has been working on that. The idea has been floated about scanning the TD collection 1999 – present and making it available on the web; Yvonne has indicated this will need to be a dedicated project with staff and equipment.

**Iqaluit Centennial** – Ken. Sarah Tufts re-hired this year to co-ordinate summer reading program and now looking to find 2 full -time beneficiaries to do summer programs. Hoping to take some programs out to Qimaavik, the Group Home, the Boarding Home etc. Having trouble finding an Inuktitut speaking person to provide Inuktitut programming. Two authors, Jane Drake and Anne Love, visited Nunavut for Canadian Children's Book Week (now switched to spring of the year). They were in Cambridge Bay, Kugluktuk and Iqaluit; here they visited 3 schools and did 2 evenings at the library including 1 for adult writers. Catherine Hoyt hosted an evening meal for them. IQL is fully staffed and has 1 extra casual with unspent HQ staff budget. Catherine Hoyt will be looking for full time employment in fall 2011; IQL is looking for Dept. Of Education training funds to hire someone through the summer to be trained to do weekly story hour and other children's programs.

**NPLS** – Ken. RFP for the new open source OPAC has been submitted to CGS but Ron (HQ) is of the opinion it will not happen this fiscal year.

**NAC** – Shiloa. Library has several new online databases including CBCA, Wilson Current issues in Environment and ProQuest Science journals. There will be a new trades library in Rankin Inlet; Shiloa is currently buying for it and it will have to be set up. She is working on a copyright policy for the College. The College is supposed to get a new web platform soon. It is being funded by Canadian Space Agency through KIP and will be a satellite internet for the whole college. The Learning Materials Committee has been working to make NAC publications more accessible and is now providing a lot of print on demand; Shiloa will send us the link. The main campus library will be for students only in the afternoons. This new policy is to ensure students have access to computers and the library becomes their space to use. A Young Canada Works library student will start May 24. The focus will be cataloguing the NRI library into the Virtua catalogue.

**Carol** – her major contract is still with the Legislative Library. All tabled documents to end of last sitting are catalogued and she has put about 200 e-docs into the repository; they are linked to catalogue records. She started Inuktitut cataloguing for the Pond Inlet Library and Archives Society and Philippa has acquired another grant to continue this work 2011-2012 which will focus on the Baffin Divisional Board of Education publications – previously catalogue only in English. Carol will do a 90 minute session at CLA on our Inuktitut cataloguing standards and received consent to list contact information for NAC, NUCJ, NLL and IQL libraries. She will start her 5<sup>th</sup> year with the CLA Young Adult Book Awards Committee and will be the Chair this year.

**Leigh-Ann** – attended OLA, her first library conference in 5 years and attended anything to do with health libraries and information. She also represented NLA at the Partnership meeting. Dept. of Health and Social Services is staffing its Mental Health and Wellness Division headquartered in Cambridge Bay and she has been doing orienting and training with new staff who are adjusting to GN and the north. She is involved with the Canadian Centre for Substance Abuse network of networks and they are considering a one web window repository for information and links. She is completing her 5<sup>th</sup> academic year with NAC library in Cambridge Bay but wondering about the space for next year – renovation has started and the collection space is being reduced but she has not been informed. News for Shiloa too! Evening use of the library has been low.

**NUCJ** – Jenny. They have done a big project this year with judgments bringing them in line with new Canadian standards and found Nunavut judgments to be quite consistent. Jenny will be writing an article for CALL Review. They have acquired Martins Online Criminal Code which covers 1950 – present and should be very useful. Cataloguing is not advancing very quickly given time constraints. She will have a summer student searching our OPACs and Amicus for cataloguing records that match items in the collection and she can easily import and speed up the populating of the CS catalogue. She has found the old collection development policy which she plans to redo. Jenny will attend a CALL training session in June; the library will be closed while she is away. It will also be closed in early July when she is on holiday.

#### 4. NLA Newsletter.

Leigh-Ann wants to put out a fall 2011 issue. Needs input from everyone - it does not have to be long. Would like to continue the featured library column.

5. Education Committee

Yvonne reported there have been regular teleconference meetings. Next one is scheduled for May 30. There is a new OLA coordinator for the Education Institute, Michelle Arbuckle. Newfoundland and Labrador Library Association has been very active in lining up presenters for EI sessions. Jenny and Carol attended one on Library Leadership with Pat Parsons. Notices re sessions are not coming far in advance from Michelle. You need to keep checking the EI website [http://www.aplic-abpac.ca/members\\_only.html](http://www.aplic-abpac.ca/members_only.html)

6. RDA

Jenny purchased a subscription but is thinking of cancelling as it seems more appropriate for a cataloguing intense operation. Carol agreed. No one else has purchased; Legislative library had a trial subscription. Carol and Linda did a VTLS e-seminar on FBRizing but not really applicable to our situation.

7. Fall Partnership Meeting

August dates not yet finalized. Held in Toronto. Anyone attending from NLA will have up to \$500 paid toward flights plus accommodation for 2 nights covered. Carol or Yvonne may be able to attend, depending on dates.

8. Letter to Leona

Congratulation on re-election and a reaffirmation of the need for Library Book Rate - the bill had passed the Commons but died in the Senate when Parliament prorogued.

9. We will plan a social get together with Carolyn end of July. Yvonne to coordinate.