Minutes of OLITA Annual General Meeting 2018

Date: Wednesday, January 31 2018, 12pm
Location: Metro Toronto Convention Centre in Toronto, Ontario
Room number: MTCC-204

1. Call to Order and welcome by 2017 OLITA President Mita Williams

2. Approval of the Agenda
   - Moved by Sarah Macintyre
   - Seconded by Rebecca Laroque
   - Motion carried

3. Adoption/approval of Minutes from the last AGM (mover/seconder)
   - Moved by Donna Bourne-Tyson
   - Seconded by Laura Warner
   - Motion carried

4. Business arising from the Minutes
   - No new business

5. Treasurer’s Report by OLITA Treasurer Sarah Simpkin
   - Budget has been audited and approved by OLA board
   - Budget is separated due to change in the fiscal year
   - Sarah informed members that they can contact OLITA for potential event sponsorship
   - Sarah expressed her thanks & appreciation for OLITA council and OLA staff
   - Motion to accept treasurer’s report
     - Moved by Dan Scott
     - Seconded by May Yan
     - Motion carried

6. Annual Report by 2017 OLITA President Mita Williams
Highlights of the Annual Report:

- Digital Odyssey recap
- Update on the Lending Library
- Open Shelf column, “Library IT Crowd”
- Graham Lavender and Michelle Goodridge were this year’s OLITA Super Conference planners
- No OLITA Project Award was given this year

Motion to accept the annual report
  ○ moved by Donna MacLeod
  ○ seconded by Jason

7. New Business - Mailing list for OLITA members

- OLITA-L Code of Conduct
  ○ Mita brought forth some friendly amendments from Matt Thomas shared on OLITA-L
    ■ 1) In my opinion, I don’t think Rule 1 needs the “…that would be expected in a workplace.” I think “civil and respectful” is the key part of that rule and suggesting it should be like a workplace discussion may limit it in other unnecessary ways.
    ■ 2) I’m not sure I agree with best practice #3. In many cases, a conversation can benefit from knowing that several people simply agree or disagree. Suggesting that you shouldn’t simply agree may stifle that kind of group support for an idea, for example, someone may think is controversial but really isn’t. Maybe soften it to something along the lines of “Ideally, messages should make a meaningful contribution to the conversation” and leave it at that.
  ○ moved by Thomas Guignard
  ○ seconded by Dan Scott

9. 2017 OLITA President Mita Williams thanked the outgoing OLITA council members.

- Sarah Simpkin (University of Ottawa), Treasurer / Past President
- Jeffrey Toste (Toronto Public Library), Councillor, 2015-2017
- Kathryn Lee (CBC), 2015-2017

10. Introduction of the new council by 2018 OLITA President John Fink

- Susanna Galbraith (McMaster University), Vice-President
- Sarah Macintyre (St. Thomas Public Library), Councillor, 2016-2018
- Rebecca Larocque (North Bay Public Library), Councillor, 2017-2020
- Laura Warner (Saskatoon Public Library), Councillor, 2017-2020
- Alex Carruthers (Toronto Public Library), Councillor, 2018-2021
- Sandy Li (Toronto Public Library), Councillor, 2018-2021
- Pamela Saliba (Markham Public Library), Councillor, 2018-2021

- Super Conference Program Chairs:
  - Graham Lavender (Michener Institute)
  - Michelle Goodridge (Laurier)
    - Graham thanked OLITA council for their help with Super Conference and highlighted some of the Technology stream sessions
    - Michelle thanked Graham for his work and introduced the new incoming planner

- Motion to accept the election report was
  - moved by Cynthia Williamson
  - seconded by Alex Yarrow
  - Motion carried.

11. 2018 OLITA President John Fink announced the theme of the upcoming Digital Odyssey.

- The theme will be .. makerspaces

13. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn was moved by David Fiander.