109th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of the ONTARIO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

June 11, 2010, 11:30 – 12:30 pm

Oakham House Conference Centre, Room SCC115
Ryerson University
55 Gould Street, Toronto

DRAFT MINUTES

Presiding: Peggy Thomas OLA President.
Parliamentarian: Jim Lochrie

1. Establishment of a Quorum

Quorum was established at 12:15.

Keynote: Beth Jefferson: Thinking big – even as budgets get smaller.

Ideas from the private sector about how to focus on sustaining innovation and risk-taking in tight times…and why it’s critical to do so.

2. Adoption of the Agenda.

Motion 109 – 1: That the agenda be approved.

Moved: Bessie Sullivan Seconded: Peter Ellinger

Carried


Motion 109-2: That the minutes of the 108th OLA Annual General Meeting be approved.

Moved: Margaret Wicklum Seconded: Mary Ann Mavrinac

Carried

4.1 Business Arising.
4.1 Report of OLA 2009 Treasurer Paul Takala
4.2 Audited statements for 2009.

Motion 109-3: That the audited statements of the Ontario Library
Association for 2009 as provided by Harris and Chong LLP be accepted.
Moved: Paul Takala Seconded: David Harvie
Carried

Motion 109-4: That the firm of Harris and Chong LLP be engaged to prepare
the 2010 audited statements of the Ontario Library Association
Moved: Paul Takala Seconded: Krista Godfrey
Carried

5 Reports of the Presidents of the Ontario Library Association.
5.1 OLA 2009 President Peggy Thomas.
5.2 OCULA 2009 President Nathalie Soini [teleconference report]
5.3 OLBA 2009 President Margaret Wicklum
5.4 OLITA 2009 President Peter Ellinger
5.5 OPLA 2009 President Bessie Sullivan
5.6 OSLA 2009 President Ruth Hall
5.7 Présidente de ABO-Franco, 2009 Pascal Lupien
[teleconference report]

6 Report of the Executive Director.

Motion 109-5: That the reports of the officers of the Ontario Library
Association be received.
Moved: Wendy Newman Seconded: David Harvie
Carried

7 Constitutional Changes

OCULA Council proposes that the following changes be made to by-law No. 4
(OCULA’s By-law) to ensure OCULA editorial and Super Conference
representation at OCULA council meetings:
Change section a) of by-law 4 which currently reads as:
‘The affairs of the Division shall be managed by the duly elected Council in a manner consistent with By-Law No. 1.

(a) The composition of the Council shall be:

• The Past-President
• The President
• The Vice-President (President Elect)
• The Secretary
• The Treasurer
• Five Councilors-at-Large (one who shall serve as Treasurer and one who shall serve as Secretary)
• Executive Director (non-voting)
• Editor-in-Chief of OCULA Online Publications
• Deputy Editor of OCULA Online Publications provided that each of the foregoing, except for the Executive Director, are personal members in good standing of OCULA at the time of their election and throughout their term of office.’

To (changes are displayed as underlined/strikethrough):

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• Five Councilors-at-Large (one who shall serve as Treasurer and one who shall serve as Secretary)
• Executive Director (non-voting)
• Editor-in-Chief of OCULA Online Publications (ex-officio)
• Deputy Editor of OCULA Online Publications (ex-officio)
• Two Super Conference planners (ex-officio)
provided that each of the foregoing, except for the Executive Director, are personal members in good standing of OCULA at the time of their election and throughout their term of office.’

**Motion** 109-6: That the changes to by-law 4 as presented be made.

Moved: Caroline Stewart Seconded: Janice Mutz
Carried

8 Resolutions.

Motion 109-7:  
Re: Open letters on OCULA's website  
Whereas, OCULA council recognizes the importance of proactively addressing issues relating to academic libraries and librarians; and

Whereas, OCULA members have from time to time requested OCULA Council’s action on issues,

Be It Resolved, that OCULA Council will post its positions on issues relevant to academic librarians and libraries as open letters on the OCULA website.

Moved by: Caroline Stewart  Seconded by: Corrine Laverty

Carried

Motion 109-8:  
RE: Teen Rights  
Motion: WHEREAS teens are a valuable part of society and

WHEREAS teen’s services are an integral part of public library service and

WHEREAS the OLA has previously adopted the Children's Rights in the Public Library document.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the OLA adopt the Teen’s Rights in the Public Library document created by the Child and Youth Advisory Committee of the OPLA.

Moved by: Tammy Robinson  Seconded: Cristina Dolcetti

Carried


Esther Rosenfeld, chair, OLA Nominations Committee reported that Tanis Fink was acclaimed OLA Vice-President 2010/President-Elect 2011

Motion 109-9: That the report of the Ontario Library Association Elections Action Group be accepted and all ballots cast in the elections of 2009 destroyed.
10. A look forward by 2010 President Mary Ann Mavrinac.

OLA is coming off an extremely busy and productive year with enormously successful events such as Super Conference and the Festival of Reading, and a myriad of other activities. Looking ahead, the focus for OLA is the implementation of its new five-year Strategic Plan, encapsulated by its four strategic directions:

- Growing Career Paths & Potential
- Collaborating to Extend Libraries’ Strategic Voice
- Strengthening the Organization
- Transforming Ideas into Solutions.

We have a “core working group” comprised of OLA Board members, who under the leadership of the Executive Director, Shelagh Paterson, are charting the Year 1 implementation of the Strategic Plan and beyond. As with the Strategic Planning process, we are committed to engaging members in this process. Please contact myself, the Executive Director or any member of the Board should you wish to become involved. Regardless, we’ll find you!

On the advocacy front, new Copyright legislation has just been introduced. Minister Clement has indicated the government is open to collaboration and amendments, with the possibility that summer hearings. Please get involved! Also, the Federal Government is seeking input on a “Digital Economy Strategy for Canada,” [http://de-en.gc.ca/en/home/](http://de-en.gc.ca/en/home/). It is important that libraries have a voice in this debate. The deadline for submissions is July 9. OLA will be responding. Please let us know your thoughts.

Like the Santa Claus Parade, planning for Super Conference 2011 began a few days after the 2010 conference ended. In other words, there is a corps of dedicated volunteers, lead by Liz Kerr, who already have made great strides towards delivering a premiere quality Super Conference in 2011. The theme is: The Power of C – Collaboration!

It is a privilege to work with a dedicated and passionate corps of OLA staff, lead by Shelagh Paterson, and with an equally dedicated and passionate group of volunteers. Thank you all as we look ahead to another exciting and enriching year!
11. Adjournment.

Moved: Krista Godfrey

Carried.