

**109<sup>th</sup> 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

**3. Approval of the Minutes of the 108th Annual General Meeting,  
June 5, 2009.**

**Motion** 109-2: That the minutes of the 108<sup>th</sup> OLA Annual General Meeting be approved.

Moved: Margaret Wicklum      Seconded: Mary Ann Mavrinac

Carried

**4.1 Business Arising.**

#### **4. Financial status of the Association.**

##### **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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  - 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

## **9 Report of the OLA Elections Action Group.**

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.

Moved: Esther Rosenfeld    Seconded: Mary Ann Mavrinac

Carried

### **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/>. 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!

Mary Ann Mavrinac  
OLA President 2010

**11. Adjournment.**

Moved: Krista Godfrey

Carried.