

LDAG Meeting  
Minutes  
May 16, 2007  
Cranbrook, BC

**Attendance**

Chairperson: Ursula Brigl – Cranbrook

Diane Sharp & Emma Dressler – Fernie, Marie Zettl– Beaver Valley, Judy Foucher – Greenwood, June Stockdale – Castlegar, Katherine Anderson – Grand Forks, Tracey Therrien – Salmo, Heather Maisel - Trail, Evelyn Goodell – Nakusp, Annie Reynolds – Kaslo, Wayne Cole – Nelson, Liz Robinson – Invermere, Karen Bedford & Jane Janes – Radium, Jim Bertoia – Sparwood, Ann Day – Creston, Melissa Svendsen - Kimberley

KLF – Joanne Richards

PLSB – Ben Hyman & Susan Laidlaw

Minutes – Cindy Freisen, Cranbrook

Meeting called to order - 10:10 am.

**Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Judy Foucher and seconded by Evelyn Goodell

To approve the agenda. Carried.

**Approval of Minutes** – September 12, 2006 – Liz Robinson mentioned that Invermere did not have a colour printer as do a few other libraries. Melissa Svendsen asked to strike “all libraries have a colour printer”

Moved by Melissa Svendsen and seconded by Heather Maisel

That the minutes of the September 12, 2006 LDAG meeting be approved with changes. Carried.

**Elections**

Ursula Brigl was appointed by acclamation as chairperson for another year.

Evelyn Goodell nominated Kathy Anderson as Vice-Chair. Kathy let her name stand.

**PLSB Update:**

Ben Hyman – Susan Laidlaw gave a presentation on various activities through the Public Library Services Branch.

Read Now BC - is the umbrella for all literacy-related initiatives from the provincial government. School boards have to create a district literacy plan.  
Strategic Plan – received a 6 month extension due to a director vacancy at PLSB  
Broadband – partnered with Telus, still ongoing  
OneCard is continued for another year. Joanne distributed a poster and book mark asking for feedback so she can have changes made for May 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. Joanne mentioned that perhaps KLF would make enough tourist cards to distribute to all the tourist centres in the region.  
Reading Link Challenge – for grades 4 & 5

Also on the presentation was Libraries Without Walls, AskAway, PLOT Libraries, Gateway/Bibliocommons, Barcodes – Library codes, codabar, re-barcoding; and OverDrive.

After the presentation there was a question and answer period. The main topics centered on the Common ILS and bar coding. Joanne mentioned that she would be making arrangements with Barcode Applications to get discounts for Smart barcodes for those libraries that have to re-barcode.  
Susan Laidlaw mentioned that the PLSB will make this presentation available online.

### **Privacy Workshop report**

Ben Hyman mentioned that the full report is available on the PLSB Service Center.

### **Homework Clubs**

June Stockdale queried which library had a homework help club. Ursula Brigl reported that Cranbrook has a Homework Club. The Library has partnered with Cranbrook Literacy and a tutor comes into the Library on Tuesday afternoons and Thursday evenings. Several other libraries also have similar programs. Libraries can e-mail Joanne with details.

### **100-Mile Diet**

Ann Day mentioned that Creston is interested in having a Kootenay author tour. She is interested in having Alisa Smith and Jamie MacKinnon authors of 'The 100 Mile Diet' visit in Creston. Also mentioned was this would be an opportunity to work with garden clubs and those in the food & health industry to promote the program.  
Kathy Anderson will write the grant application and would also like a list of libraries willing to participate. Please send an email to Joanne or Kathy.

### **Early Literacy Stations**

Kathy Anderson reported that these are excellent for the children's areas but are very costly. She mentioned that the price would likely come down if more libraries were interested. Please contact Kathy if you are interested.

RE: KLF stickers for library cards. The KLF has artwork for stickers for library cards. These can be produced and mailed to interested libraries. Libraries are asked to contact Joanne if interested in receiving a batch of stickers for the cards.

## Virtual Reference Committee Report – Kathy Anderson

See attached

### **KLF Activities**

1. Author Tours: Due to the number of authors calling, Joanne asked that a librarian sponsor an author. Joanne is willing to write grant applications and do the PR. If you are interested in a particular author, please contact Joanne. It was discussed and decided that libraries would host a repeat author tour once every 5 years.
2. Summer Reading Club: There was an interest in having a Summer Reading Club workshop to plan PR & share program ideas. This is for summer students and interested library staff. Joanne will arrange for one in the West and East Kootenays. Hosts are: Diane Sharp – Fernie and Wayne Cole – Nelson. KLF will subsidize travel and the meal (pizza and coke).
3. Mother Goose On the Loose Workshop: Joanne is applying for a grant from Terasen Gas. This workshop is tentatively set for the 1<sup>st</sup> week in October and is to augment (not replace) Parent Child Mother Goose training. This program is similar to PC Mother Goose but incorporates movement and books. This will not be a free program, but the goal is to get it under \$100 per participant. It was suggested to hold the workshop in one or two Kootenay locations. Joanne has approached other libraries in the province and Lillooet and Prince George are interested. For more information please contact Joanne. Kathy Anderson purchased the manual and will make it available for those interested through Interlibrary Loans.
4. My Kindergarten Year: Based on “Every Child Ready to Read” (U.S.) Joanne mentioned that she would like possible programs for the KLF to fund and coordinate for libraries. Discussion arose about the number of early literacy programs already in libraries and whether attention should be focused on other age groups Joanne will do a survey as to the programming needs of each library and report back at the Fall meeting. A committee of librarians will meet and draft a proposal this coming from the KLF action plan #4 for the Fall meeting.
5. Shared Collections: Joanne will email a list of available DAISY books. Some libraries are interested in doing block loans of Large Print books. A big No to a centrally owned collection, rather libraries will make their collections available for loan to other libraries. Those interested please send the number of Large Print items in your collections to Joanne. She will compile and report back.
6. PR- Book bags: Some libraries were interested in having a book bag with their own logo as well as the KLF logo. Joanne will get price on individual logos.
7. DiscoverStation follow-up: Those interested please contact Joanne.

### **Recommended Spending Initiatives**

Money for bar coding

PR for the BC OneCard

KLF assistant

### **Communication**

Directors can designate an alternate if cannot attend a KLF meeting

### **Future Meetings**

Liz Robinson would like more information from other libraries on what kind agreements they have with their Regional District and Local Governments.

Standardizing OneCard policies. Ursula Brigl will send out a survey to each library.

Acceptable turnaround time for orders from United Library Services.

### **Roundtable**

Everyone had a few minutes to speak about what is new at their library.

Nelson – BC Legislative Library letter from the Nelson Board

Radium – now has a computer, telephone and is having an author tour

Trail - is looking to build a new Library/City Hall/Museum

Kaslo – finishing first year of automation, everything is running smoothly

Fernie – Emma is doing succession planning with Diane who hopes to retire next year. Fernie is hosting a Arts & Letters Day Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> which includes a parade, cocktails and a picnic

Grand Forks – is enjoying an 8% increase in funding

Creston – education sessions on online resources in community. The library also has a webcam connected to the Wildlife Centre which is focusing on an Osprey nest. (How exciting! – C. F.) The Arts Council is using the library for events (author launches, in-house painter). The Library is planning to go green in the building (solar panels, geothermal heating); awnings on windows, minimal landscaping, motion sensor in parking lot.

Invermere – 14<sup>th</sup> annual charity golf fundraiser

Salmo – hiring new children's librarian. Looking to expand the library.

Beaver Valley – weeding the collection, teddy bear picnic, art programs for tweens to paint scenes for library

Greenwood – PLOT website online, holding annual quilt fundraiser

Nakusp – new library now running, co-sponsoring a writers' festival

Castlegar - is developing a reading garden with a fountain and amphitheatre

Sparwood – developing a library quilt, received 3 summer students

Cranbrook Library Board - holding its 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual MusicFest Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup>

Kimberley – now has free Internet access

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 pm.