

Ontario Public Library Guidelines Monitoring and Accreditation Council

Tuesday February 13th 2018 1pm-3pm EST

Via - Google Hangouts

Minutes

Present:

Elise C. Cole / Oakville PL [Chair] (OLA)
Cathy Fairbairn [Southern]
Carole Marion [Francophone]
Steven Kraus [OLS-North]
Kelly Bernstein [ARUPLO]
Deborah Duce [AMPLO]
Sabrina Redwing Saunders [Vice-Chair] (First Nation)
Peggy Malcolm [SOLS]
Caroline Goulding [Northern]
Rod Sawyer [MTCS]
Alicia Subnaik Kilgour [CELUPL]

Regrets:

Leanne Clendening [Ex-Officio]

1. Call to order:

Elise C. Cole [Chair] called the meeting to order 103pm as Quorum was achieved.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion 18-04 – It was moved by: Sabrina and Seconded by: Caroline that the Agenda be approved as amended. CARRIED.

3. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting:

Motion 18-05 – It was moved by: Steve and Seconded by: Deb that the minutes for the meeting of January 24th 2018 be approved as amended. CARRIED.

4. Business arising from the minutes:

a. Truth and Reconciliation language in 7th edition – Final Edits - 14.11

EC – spoke to documents posted online on the OPLG Page.

PM – spoke to the updates posted online to the OPLG Page.

EC – spoke to the interest, challenge to libraries present at OLA SC 2018 to test their merits against the new 7th Edition.

EC – requested confirmation of final edits on this particular area.

PM – spoke to the need for stability of the document moving forward to ensure fairness to all parties interested.

RS – spoke to the FN Public Libraries commitment to moving forward with the OPLG's 7th Edition.

SS – Spoke to submitting the updated documents to OLA for posting.

SS – PM – RS - spoke to the purpose of the Acknowledgement Declaration statement.

PM – SS – spoke to resources available to identify regions of First Nation inhabitants who may reside in the proximity of all areas in Ontario to provide as a resource to prepare for accreditation.

EC – proposed the following motion:

Motion 18-06 – That the OPLG Council adopt the addition of the mandatory Guideline Number 14.11 to the Ontario Public Library Guidelines 7th Edition. Moved: Rod Seconded: Deb. **Carried.**

b. Aids to Measurement – Revised version – Final Edits

PM – spoke to the movement away from the quartile approach to the aid to measurement.

OPLG Council – Spoke to the new elements being captured by libraries in their new and innovative programming and services included in Maker Space type setups.

OPLG Council – Spoke to the updated options for comparative data reporting available from the MTCS to support individual libraries needs for reviewing individual data. A reference point to the MTCS will be placed in the Aids to Measurement.

c. OPLG Online Docs/Tools Update – Final Edits

PM – Confirmed the Excel files will be available shortly for posting to the OPLG Website after a calculation edit is performed.

d. Post OLA Super Conference Presentation Update

EC - SS – Spoke to OLA SC 2018, approximately 80 participants in the session, most with great interest. Q and A's where very engaging and spoke to issues about mandatory accreditation. Suggestion made at the session that correspondence for successful accreditations be forwarded to all levels of government.

SS – spoke to the response to her survey/study data. 60% respondents rate elicited some shock from participants and details about board knowledge of the process. Engaging discussions took place regarding the development tool aspects of the OPLG Guidelines.

EC – spoke to the collaborative approach that helped assemble the presentation to make it such an engaging and positive process. Very successful launch of the 7th Edition.

SS – promotion centric approach is the key to the next stages of our engagement with other levels of government and responsibility.

SS – Spoke to the successful use of “myth busting” approaches to the “I can’t pass mentality” within potential targets for accreditation.

EC – Spoke to the new attitudes and levels of experience with the OPLG and the Guidelines document. Very receptive audiences.

5. New Business:

a. Hearst PL – Guidelines Amendment Suggestion – Email

OPLG Council - Discussed / Debated the merits in the proposal delivered to the OPLG Council. Emphasis was placed on the public library needing to maintain links with all levels of Council.

OPLG Council – Has agreed to re-evaluate the language on 8.7. Draft language to be re-circulated via email with the OPLG Council.

b. Audits for 2018

PM – spoke to Stirling-Rawdon requested an extension, Wainfleet, Trent Lakes, Fort Erie, Hawkesbury, St. Thomas, Kanhiote Tyendinaga.

SK – spoke to Dryden on extension, Terrace Bay, Schreiber.

c. OPLG Website Updates – Pictures & Social Media

EC - spoke to requesting photos from OLA SC 2018 from OPLG Activities.

d. OPLG Press Release 7th Edition

EC – SK – to craft press release based on HOOPLA submission date to be determined.

Other Business:

a. Accreditation Pitch Model to libraries of various sizes and locations

EC – spoke to the SS email regarding a pitch model to encourage re-accreditation and mentorship to generate new membership.

SK – to construct the master list of potential libraries to discuss for March 2018 meeting.

b. Noted a need to add to the terms of reference + edits

EC – spoke to the need to add an OLBA representative to Council. To be reviewed at the March 2018 OPLG Meeting.

c. Plan / Approach for Large or Urban Sized Libraries

AK – spoke to a need for a tool to address the challenges of seeking accreditation for larger and urban libraries. OPLG Council agreed to move this to the March 2018 agenda.

EC requested that AK supply some feedback to assist with this exercise.

6. Next meeting(s):

March 9th 2018 – 1pm-3pm EST

7. Motion to adjourn:

**Motion 18-07 – It was moved by: Carole that the Meeting be adjourned at 256PM
CARRIED.**