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Date

October 18th, 2014
Riverside Country Club
10:00a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Call to Order

The meeting of the Saskatchewan School Library Association was called to order at 10:02 on October 18, 2014 by Carlene

Present: Carlene, Gaétan, Jana, Charlotte, Chantelle, Dawn, Carla, Laurie
Regrets: Tracy
Send regrets to Carlene prior to meeting date – text number is on executive contact list

1. Approval of Agenda

1.1. **The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.**

2. Approval of Minutes

2.1 The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

3. Open Issues

3.1. SSLA Executive Roles and Responsibilities Action List.

Please ensure you bring financial statement for budgets under your purview to every meeting regardless of whether you spent money or not.

ACTION: Carlene will check the link on the webpage to ensure we can download the budget from behind the veil.

ACTION: Everyone please send contracts to Rachel for archives at end of year

Laurie thanked the Executive for the kind words, letters and flowers after the passing of her dad. It was greatly appreciated.

4. Reports

4.1. President

Digital fluency badges:

- **How can the ISTE standards be inserted without taking up so much web space? The standards need to be included, but short enough for teachers to still feel it is valuable and not too much text.**
- **Is linking to the standards rigorous enough? Carlene would like to have a mockup of the incorporated standards before the conversation with ISTE**
- **Carlene sent a proposal to present with Carla at ISTE in Philadelphia under the ISTE umbrella**
- **The conversation revolved around how to ensure teachers know that using ISTE standards has made them a better teacher. Why does this matter to our students? It aligns with standard chart with a librarian checklist along with ISTE standards for coaches. "This aligns with ISTI standards and to see the entire document, please click here…"**

ACTION: Carlene will design the web site to include the standards and will send a mock up page to executive for ideas and suggestions.

- **Promotional video storyboard was created with Carla. Video production has started and is anticipated to be complete by the October 22nd deadline.**

ACTION: Carlene will fix AudioBoo to AudioBoom on digital fluency site.

BookBytes Social

- **BookBytes Social was cancelled because McNally did their own. Carlene was disappointed and did express this to McNally. Indigo was not interested. ACTION: Please inform Carlene about communication issues immediately rather than waiting for the meeting.**

MultiType Library

- **Carlene was denied attendance at the MultiType library meeting. The ministry will be in contact with Saskatoon Public Schools to discuss.**

Analytics

- **Refer to the attached data. Facebook and Twitter were popular.**

4.2 President Elect

Charlotte is working on the school division distribution email list. The Executive viewed the list to help determine at least one person in each division to discuss libraries.

ACTION: Charlotte will send SLA information.

4.3 Treasurer/Membership

11 new or renewed members from Regina Catholic.

Dawn is having difficulty accessing QuickBooks at school due to SPS filter.

ACTION: Dawn will ask tech person to whitelist Quick books.

QuickBooks will be renewed in February; SSLA may be able to downsize account from the current deluxe version.

4.4 Publication Councilor

Chantelle and Jana are is in the process of obtaining articles. Discussion of how to progress with the publication to a more multimedia format. The STF is maintaining the need for a print document from SSC.

Chantelle and Jana will look at obtaining articles which relate to the Digital Fluency Badges' submission. Articles including interviews and beginning teachers' conference were also mentioned.

4.5 Professional Learning Councilors

Dawn has sent cheque to pay Sylvia Martinez. $500 US is $590.33 with exchange.

Tracy is concerned that she has not heard from David Lankes.

Attendance for Learning Events remains low. 16 additional registrants are needed to break even financially.

The first Learning Event was successful despite some glitches.

November 5th is the second Learning Event featuring Naomi Harm.

ACTION: Tracy will ensure speakers know how to use Adobe Connect prior to presenting.

Conference

Shanoon McClintock Miller will be the keynote speaker.

Conference will be February 25th.

Conference fee will be $135 for members

Conference theme is Be the Change you want to be in Education

ACTION: Carlene update registration form and website, and then open registration

ACTION Gaétan will make poster

ACTION: Carlene will contact SPS TL consultant

ACTION: Dawn will email SPS coordinator, Dave Derksen, to let him know conference details to ensure he starts thinking about the budget.

The Executive will take Shannon out for dinner on February 24th.

ACTION Charlotte will change the bursary form and application date under the veil.

Gaétan needs Saskatoon volunteers to sit on the Conference committee.

ACTION: The Executive will forward Gaétan Saskatoon contacts.

4.6 Communication Councilor

ACTION: Laurie has to send out minutes.

Laurie asked the Executive to contribute to the Facebook page.

ACTION: Carlene and Laurie will look at using IFTTT to post to all social media platforms, as well as to post items on a timed schedule on Twitter.

4.7 Special Projects Councilor

Digital Fluency Badges participants are 11.
Launch video for October 22nd
Carlene and Carla will finalize what debut looks like.
Institutions need to send an individual list to help with contact.

Pricing for Digital Fluency Badging: It will be free for members, $10 non-members, $100 for institutional membership up to 50 participants, $200 for more people. Please allow for flexibility in numbers.

ACTION: Update the website to reflect new pricing.

ACTION: Carlene will add badge budget to the meeting minutes.

4.8 Secretary/Archivist

ACTION: Rachel will create the agenda package for next month

4.9 Past- President

No report

5. New Business

5.1. Correspondence

5.1.1. CLA Leading Learning – Standards for teacher-librarian are available as PDF

ACTION: Charlotte will link to document to The Medium

5.1.2. MultiType Library – Discussion of what to do with information regarding databases?

ACTION: Carlene will send MultiType Library information to gmail account so that Laurie can forward to membership

ACTION: Laurie will look through gmail – we can lurk but Laurie will maintain.

Library Conference in Jasper- proposal to present digital badging if accepted we will look into costs incurred.

5.2. Executive Handbook Distribution

Handbook was given to those who were absent

5.3. SSLA Legacy Project

Update from Charlotte - Data has been gathered, once the snow flies data entry will begin!

5.4. STF Summer Short Course Participant Response

Good response. from Carlene's presentations are available on Slideshare and on Carlene's blog, which is linked to SSLA's Technology blog.

Laurie will post on Facebook.

ACTION: Charlotte will provide Help! How do I Get Started information to The Medium.

The call will come out in January to present at the summer short courses.

5.5. President-Elect and Executive Member PD Opportunity Deadline

There is $ for president elect and 4th year Executive member who will return for a fifth year to attend a PD opportunity. Proposals are due in November.

ACTION: Carlene will update the Executive member PD opportunity behind the veil.

5.6. SCC Reflection and 2015 Date

Now called Professional Growth Network day. Liked the seating arrangements and the ability to plan as an Executive. Executive still concerned about the value of the day. Feedback for SCC Planning Committee – Determine the message, brainstorming groups not working, need something more interactive

Offer from STF to sit on SCC Planning Committee.

Reminder that SCC will be renamed Professional Growth Network

September 26, 2015 – next year's date

5.7. Communication with Members

5.7.1. Bcc

Mass emails must be placed in bcc to align with privacy policy

5.7.2. MailChimp

The newsletter was well received. Carlene has registered for an account. Executive will use SSLA account when creating newsletters. Please use the template and drag and drop blocks for content.

A reminder that if the Executive would like something sent out, please write it out for Laurie. Laurie is CCing whoever has asked her to send emails. This may be a good idea so that we know that mail is being sent.

5.7.3 Forwarded Correspondence

Please cc the orginal Executive member if respond to a forwarded email so that Executive knows it has been dealth with.

ACTION: Carlene will put up access to MailChimp under the veil.

5.8. BookBytes

A profit of $885 was budgeted. $1100 is required for Learning Events, so Executive was asked to brainstorm recouping the $1985. Ideas included a professional bookfair (buy, send out, slideshow – order from us online); more broadcast or podcast pieces, (techbytes, online bookbytes, webinar sessions – books, focused themes) or have the Bookbytes in the Regina area

ACTION: Charlotte will talk to Judy and Gaétan will talk to Joanne about BookBytes in Regina

ACTION Carlene will look into Pearson what they can offer for discounts

5.9. Picture of 2014-2015 Executive

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 2:43 by Dawn. The next general meeting will be online at 9:00 on November 22nd, 2014.

Minutes submitted by: Rachel Florence

Approved by: Carlene Walter

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SSLA Executive Action List

√	ACTION	WHO	COMMENTS
	Update financial statements for SSLA chequing, SSLA Conference, Learning Events, and The Medium prior to each subsequent meeting. Submit with report.	Dawn, Tracy, Carla, Chantelle, & Joanne	Please do
	The Professional Learning Councillors will send the conference and learning events speakers' contracts to Secretary/Archivist.	Tracy and Gaétan	In progress with
	Treasurer will complete 2013-2014 Year End Review	Dawn	To be sent next week.
	Communications Councillor will bring membership list for executive to look through for members who should be removed from the list.	Laurie	Done
	Communications Councillor will prepare a communication each month to be sent to liaisons.	Laurie	Ongoing
	Support new members and be cognizant of stresses and challenges.	Executive	ONGOING

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President's Report

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Updated the web site.
2. Presented Digital Fluency Badges professional learning opportunity at the SCC Day.
3. Started correlating ISTE standards with the Digital Fluency Badges.
4. Met with Carla to storyboard the Digital Fluency Badges movie.
5. Planned and cancelled BookBytes Social.
6. Collated learning events participants.
7. Submitted sector report to the Multitype Library Board.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Finish correlating ISTE standards with the Digital Fluency Badges.
2. Finish Digital Fluency Badges' promotional video.

Report submitted by: Carlene Walter

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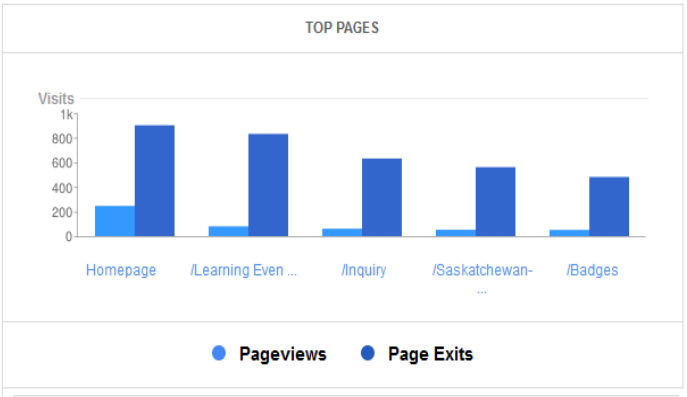
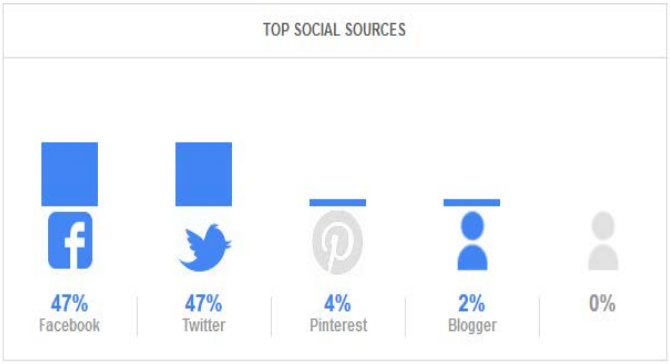
Google Analytics Data

VISITS	BOUNCE RATE
685 The total number of visits to your site this month	**60%** Your bounce rate shows how many people leave your site without visiting any other pages on your site
TIME ON SITE	**AVERAGE PAGES**
01:53 The average amount of time someone spends on your site in a single session	**2** The average number of pages viewed in a single session

What's happening when users come to your site





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President Elect's Report

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Purchased note cards with SSLA logo
2. Contacted school division liaisons to promote Digital Badging, Learning Events, BookBytes Social, and Saskatchewan Library Week
3. Contacted SSLA's liaison group to request reports and update them on SSLA news. The report from CLA and SLA is included in correspondence. SLA was to have a letter regarding a proposal for membership to me by October 10, but I have not received it.
4. Sent a report to Saskatchewan Library Association as they had requested feedback from our September meeting
5. With Rachel's help, I investigated some timeline tools for the Legacy Project.

ACTION ITEMS

1. I have begun work on updating our school division contact list. I will circulate a copy during the meeting and ask executive members to suggest any possible contacts. Some of the e-mails bounced back as undeliverable.
2. I will be participating in the SLA Program Committee conference call on October 21st.
3. Data entry for the Legacy Project will begin as soon as the snow flies!

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Treasurer/Membership's Report

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Financial Statement
   - Term deposits value as of April 30, 2013: $ 9,358.58
   - Bank Accounts as of Sept. 30/14 – Chequing $23 198.29
     Term Deposit $11 793.41
2. Membership – Total 130, 11 are new or renewals whose membership had lapsed for 2 year.
3. The Annual Financial Audit has not been completed, so we have not received the STF grant.
4. The "Sales" line on the October report is for Membership and Book Bytes combined. The actual amount for each is indicated below the generated report

ACTION ITEMS

1. Securing STF grant by submitting the audit to the STF.
2. Contact QuickBooks to fix the problem of Book Bytes and Membership revenue not being separated.
3. Continue to learn and experiment with QuickBooks so that receipts and invoices can be generated.

Report submitted by: Dawn Morgan

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SSLA Financial Report – Banking Summary

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Profit and Loss
September 2014

	Total
Income	
Learning Event	174.18
Sales	384.20
Total Income	$558.38
Gross Profit	$558.38
Other Income	
Interest earned	0.94
Total Other Income	$0.94
Expenses	
Digital Badging	124.63
Executive Meetings	115.30
Executive Travel	126.00
Gifts	62.58
Wufoo Online Survey Maker	89.85
Total Expenses	$518.36
Profit	$40.96

Sales Includes
Membership - $374.79
Book Bytes – $ 9.41

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BUDGET 2014-2015

INCOME	Memo	Budget	Actual	Difference ($)	Difference (%)
Balance	$23 198.29			$ -	#DIV/0!
Membership Fees		$ 3,200.00		$ 3,200.00	
STF Basic Grant		$ 1,728.00		$ 1,728.00	
AccessCopyright		$ 850.00		$ 850.00	
BookBytes	Revenue ($850 profit)	$ 1,960.00		$ 1,960.00	
Interest		$ 10.00	$ 0.94	$ 9.06	
Learning Events	Revenue ($1000 profit)	$ 3,420.00	$ 2,110.00	$ 1,310.00	
Conference	Revenue ($3000 profit)	$ 14,200.00		$ 14,200.00	
Multi-type Library	*From Chequing*	$ 2,000.00		$ 2,000.00	0.0%
Special Subject Council Revenue	*Digital Badging*	$ 500.00	$ 10.00	$ 490.00	2.0%
Special Subject Council Grant	*Digital Badging*	$ 3,000.00		$ 3,000.00	0.0%
Term Deposit Transfer		$ -	$ -	$ -	
TOTAL INCOME		$ 30,868.00	$ 2,120.94	$ 28,747.06	

EXPENDITURES		Budget	Actual	Difference ($)	Difference (%)
Advertising		$ 100.00	$ -	$ 100.00	0%
Accounting Software		$ 250.00		$ 250.00	0%
AGM – Awards and Bursary		$ 825.00		$ 825.00	0.0%
Review for year 2012-2013 & 2013-2014		$ 500.00		$ 500.00	0.0%
Bank Charges		$ 30.00		$ 30.00	0.0%
BookBytes		$ 1,075.00		$ 1,075.00	0.0%
Conference	Expenses	$ 11,200.00		$ 11,200.00	0.0%
CLA Conference Attendance		$ -		$ -	#DIV/0!
Donations		$ -		$ -	#DIV/0!
Executive Meetings	4 F2FMeals X $260/1Exec Dinner-$	$ 2,000.00	$ 115.30	$ 2,000.00	5.8%
Executive Travel and Accommodations		$ 3,100.00	$ 126.00	$ 3,100.00	4.1%
Gifts		$ 350.00	$ 62.58	$ 350.00	17.9%
Learning Events	Expenses	$ 2,320.00		$ 2,320.00	0.0%
Memberships In Partnering Associations		$ -		$ -	#DIV/0!
Multitype Library		$ 2,000.00		$ 2,000.00	0%
Office Supplies		$ 50.00		$ 50.00	0%
Online Survey Maker	$30.00 X 12 months	$ 340.00	$ 89.85	$ 340.00	26.4%
President-Elect PD Opportunity		$ 2,000.00		$ 2,000.00	0.0%
PD Opportunity – Third Year Executive		$ 1,000.00		$ 1,000.00	0.0%
Postage		$ 50.00		$ 50.00	0.0%
Publications	*The Medium*	$ 600.00		$ 600.00	0.0%
Special Subject Council Grant	*Digital Badging*	$ 3,000.00	$ 254.88	$ 3,000.00	8.5%
Miscellaneous		$ 78.00		$ 78.00	0.0%
TOTAL EXPENSES		$ 30,868.00	$ 648.61		

GRAND TOTAL	Budget	Actual	Difference ($)	Difference (%)
Income	$ 30,868.00	$ 2,120.94	$ 28,747.06	93.1%
Expenditures	$ 30,868.00	$ 648.61	$ 30,219.39	97.9%
GRAND TOTAL	$ -	$ 1,472.33	$ (1,472.33)	-4.8%

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Publication Councillors' Report

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Information about the SLA Library Week was posted on the blog
2. In the process of getting three articles for *The Medium*.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Obtain and edit articles. Post online by the beginning of November
2. Continue to post on the blog.
3. Update financial budget once authors are paid for articles.

Report Submitted by Chantelle Anderson and Jana Scott Lindsay

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Publication Councillors' Report – Financial Statement

THE MEDIUM BUDGET 2013-2014

INCOME	Memo	Budget	Actual	Difference ($)	Difference (%)
Balance		$ -			
Income		$ 600.00			
TOTAL INCOME		$ 600.00			

EXPENDITURES	Budget	Actual	Difference ($)	Difference (%)
Submissions 4 issues - 9 articles @ $50	$ 450.00			
Membership Contribution Incentives 4/yr	$ 100.00			
FlipSnack Subscription	$ 50.00			
TOTAL EXPENSES	**$ 600.00**	**$ -**		

GRAND TOTAL	Budget	Actual	Difference ($)	Difference (%)
Income	$ 600.00			
Expenditures	$ 600.00			
GRAND TOTAL	$ -			

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Professional Learning Councillors' Report – Learning Events

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Sent a letter and second copy of contract to Dr. Lankes
2. Prepared meeting room, sent link to participants and hosted first Learning Event.
3. Requested cheque for Sylvia Martinez
4. Sent archive link to all participants.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Confirm Learning Event #2 details with Naomi Harm.
2. Continue to solicit participants for Learning Events.
3. Send all contracts to Rachel.

Report submitted by: Tracy Woodward

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LEARNING EVENTS BUDGET 2014-2015

INCOME	Memo	Budget	Actual	Difference ($)	Difference (%)
Balance		$ -	$ -	$ -	
Registration Fees	$90 per person X 38	$ 3,420.00	$ 2,110.00	$ 1,310.00	162%
TOTAL INCOME		$ 3,420.00		$ 3,420.00	#DIV/0!

EXPENDITURES		Budget	Actual	Difference	Difference (%)
Planning Meetings	Food & Mileage	$ 25.00	$ -		
Keynote	Honourarium (Sylvia Martinez)	$ 575.00			
Keynote Speaker	Honourarium (Naomi Harm)	$ 575.00			
Keynote Speaker	Honourarium (Shannon M. Miller)	$ 575.00			
Keynote Speaker	Honourarium (David Lankes)	$ 550.00			
Office Supplies		$ 10.00			
Banking Expenses		$ 10.00			
TOTAL EXPENSES		$ 2,320.00	$ -	$ 2,320.00	#DIV/0!
GRAND TOTAL		Budget			
Income		$ 3,420.00	$ -		
Expenditures		$ 2,320.00	$ -		
GRAND TOTAL (with $1100 profit)		$ 1,100.00	$ -	$ 1,100.00	#DIV/0!

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Professional Learning Councillors' Report - Conference

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Conference date set to March 6th, 2015 to be held at the Travelodge in Saskatoon according to the details specified in our original contract.
2. Keynote speaker: Shannon McClintock-Miller (contract pending). Shannon was available for March 6th, 2015 at a cost of $5000.00 USD. Adam Bellow was only available from May 29th, 2015 at a fee of $10,000.00 USD. This was felt to be both too late and too expensive.
3. Publicity poster will be completed pending an appropriate theme for the conference.

ACTION ITEMS

1. The conference still requires a theme. Are there any parameters that need to be observed in choosing a theme? Does anyone have any suggestions?
2. Conference fee needs to be established.

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Professional Learning Councillors' Report – Conference

INCOME	Memo	Budget	Actual	Difference ($)	Difference (%)
Balance		$ -			
Registration Fee	based on 90 people X $135	$ 12,150.00	$ 11,610.00		
Dirplayers' Lunch		$ 50.00	$ 50.00		
Sponsorship		$ 2,000.00	$ 2,100.00		
TOTAL INCOME		$ 14,200.00	$ 13,760.00		

EXPENDITURES		Budget	Actual	Difference ($)	Difference (%)
Planning Meetings		$ 125.00			
Keynote Speaker	Honourarium	$ 5,000.00			
Keynote Speaker	Airfare	$ 1,000.00			
Keynote Speaker	Accomodations (2 nights)	$ 475.00			
Keynote Speaker	Meals	$ 100.00			
Décor/table		$ 100.00			
Nametags		$ 50.00			
Facility		$ 850.00			
Swag		$ 250.00			
Presenters' Gift		$ 60.00			
Audio/Visual		$ 215.00			
Program		$ 25.00			
Nutrition Break		$ 700.00			
Lunch	$24 person (plus tip)	$ 2,250.00			
TOTAL EXPENSES		$ 11,200.00			

GRAND TOTAL	Budget	Difference ($)	Difference (%)
Income	$ 14,200.00		
Expenditures	$ 11,200.00		
GRAND TOTAL	$ 3,000.00		

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Communications Councillors' Report

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Sent email(s) regarding the following items:
    a. Membership expiring
    b. Membership expired
    c. Sent Newsletter update to members
    d. Invitation to register for Book Bytes
    e. Invitation to register for Learning Events
2. Updated the email database with new/renewed members.
3. Added relevant posts to the Facebook page
    a. Since June we have added 33 people to our group with 86 members
4. Created a Pinterest Account
    a. Currently we are following 73 and have 86 followers
5. Klout account currently is at 30.

ACTION ITEMS

No action items

Report submitted by: Laurie Hnatiuk

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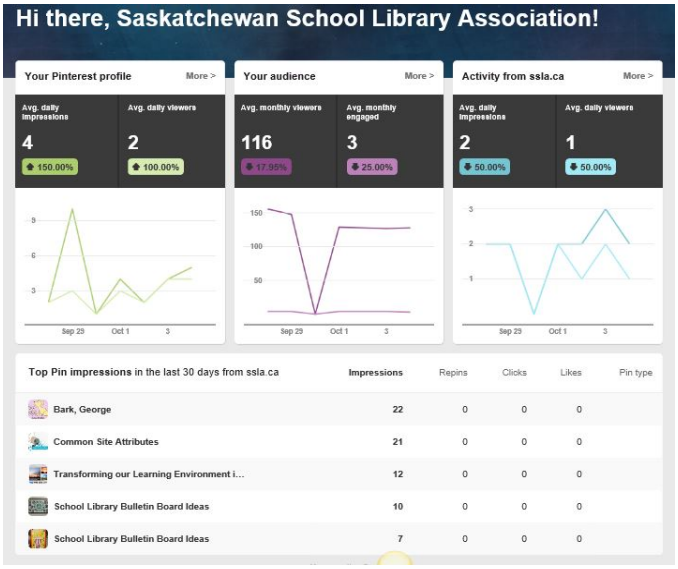

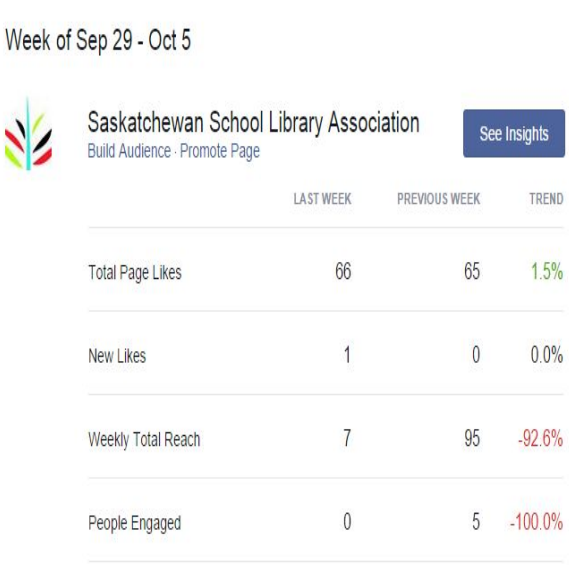

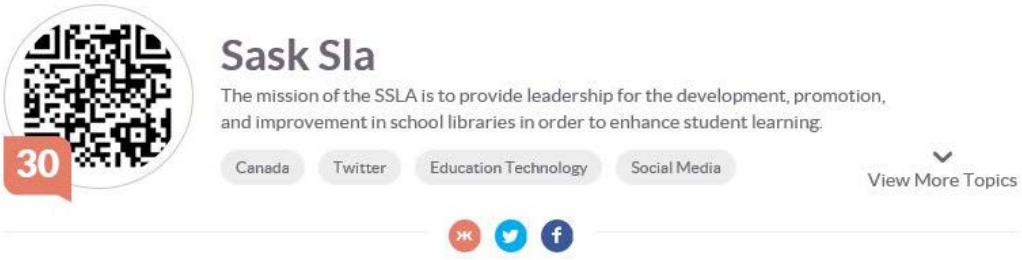

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Information Items

1. Reviewed and approved 7 new
2. Email Focus group set up adobe meeting to update and review responses to Digital Badging.
3. 11 Registered Participants in addition to 13 from the focus group total 24
4. New registrants receive welcome email with login information and option to have one-to-one support if preferred
5. Promotional video is being developed for debut target date of October 22, 2014

ACTION ITEMS

1. Debut and official launch of project week of October 22
2. Continue with registration and submission reviews

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Special Project – Digital Fluency Badges

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2014-2015

INCOME	Memo	Budget	Actual	Difference ($)	Difference (%)
Balance		$ 3,000.00	$ 3,000.00	$ -	
SCC Grant $99.09					
TOTAL INCOME		$ 3,000.00	$ 3,000.00	$ -	0%

EXPENDITURES	Budget	Actual	Difference ($)	Difference (%)
Web Creation- Phase 3 and 4	$ 639.50		$ 639.50	
Web Creation - Phase 5	$ 247.50		$ 247.50	
Focus Group and Usability Testing	$ 240.00		$ 240.00	
Working Group Meetings	$ 240.00	$ 33.17	$ 206.83	
Publicity - Signage and Promotional Materials	$ 240.00		$ 240.00	
Web Design and Badge Creation	$ 1,375.00	$ 254.88	$ 1,120.12	
Miscellaneous	$ 18.00		$ 18.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	**$ 3,000.00**	**$ 288.05**	**$ 2,711.95**	90.4%
GRAND TOTAL	Budget	Actual	Difference ($)	Difference (%)
Income	$ 3,000.00	$ 3,000.00	$ -	0.0%
Expenditures	$ 3,000.00	$ 288.05	$ 2,711.95	90.4%
GRAND TOTAL	$ -	$ 2,711.95		

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Secretary/Archivist Councillor's Report

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Report submitted by: Rachel Florence

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Correspondence – CLA Leading Learning News

Linda Shantz-Kerestzes (CLA Advisory Chair) & Judith Sykes (LL Project Coordinator) have met with Valoree McKay, Executive Director for CLA, and are pleased by CLA Executive Council's response to our June meeting with them in Victoria. As per our requests, CLA Executive Council agreed to undertake the following:

- The development of a one-page graphically enhanced and branded briefing note summarizing the key points of the standard (in draft with the designer now & hopefully ready for Oct 27 national school library day)
- Write and send letters requesting support/endorsement of Leading Learning accompanied by the one-pager to identified organizations (e.g. CME) and government ministries as well as provincial teaching federations, provincial associations, associations for school administrators/superintendents, ALA. (Hopefully also end of Oct)
- Will arrange for French translation: ASTED Quebec has verbally agreed to undertake, again hopefully by end of Oct.

Executive Council decided that they could not undertake the development of a website at the moment due to cost, they did however agree to ensure that there was a place for LL on the existing CLA website and will revisit the request once CLA's new website platform was decided upon and launched. The possibility of a school library event at CLA Conference 2015 in Ottawa was also discussed. Valoree informed us that CLA is going through big changes as to how they are going to be doing conferences in the future. We shared that Voices/OSLA/TALCO would be willing to work on a school library event/mini-conference. Valoree will get back to us with an update on how to proceed with this. We anticipate there will also be a call for new CLA school library advisory members early in 2015 so please encourage SSLA members to start thinking about joining the national effort; I will let you know when I hear more about that.

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What's new at the Multitype Library Board?

Annual General Meeting
The 2014 AGM was held at the MacKenzie Art Gallery, Agra Torchinsky Salon on April 2, 2014. It was an opportunity for the community to come together to chart future directions for cooperation among the sectors.

49 people from libraries, archives and museums attended the Board AGM. In the morning **Brett Waytuck**, Provincial Librarian and Executive Director of Literacy Office, talked about libraries' future roles in content production. **Rob Zylstra**, Executive Director of the Saskatchewan Information and Library Services (SILS), provided an update on future directions of SILS, including evaluating all current services, a common user experience across libraries, and an alternative discovery service.

Through co-operation, libraries contribute to the social and economic development of citizens of Saskatchewan.

Craig Harkema from the University of Saskatchewan presented on the latest Saskatchewan History Online (SHO) portal, as well as new collections added to SHO. SHO includes a wide range of cultural and historical materials from libraries, archives, museums and galleries. The Saskatchewan Archives Board newspaper project, part of SHO, is nearly ready for its launch. The first phase will include newspapers from the 1880s to 1914 to coincide with the centenary of WWI. The University of Saskatchewan will also hire students to translate headlines from community newspapers published in a number of languages.

Michael Shires introduced a timeline of library cooperation in Saskatchewan, which multitype members compiled over the last year. http://www.dipity.com/Sask_Libraries/Sask-Libraries-Cooperation/.

2016 Saskatchewan Super Conference
Susan Baer, the MLB Chair, presented a proposal for a **Saskatchewan Super Conference** in 2016 to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Multitype Library Board. Susan invited all library associations to participate. Volunteers are invited to please contact Barbara.Bulat@gov.sk.ca.

Strategic Planning
AGM attendees identified key MLB initiatives for the MLB Strategic Plan:

- Social media strategy and redesigned website for communication
- Broadening the SHO project
- Content producing with more partners
- Return on investment, Saskatchewan evidence for outcomes and reporting
- Marketing more to other libraries

The MLB will finalize strategic objectives at its next meeting.

Multitype Database Licensing Program (MDLP)
At the MDLP Annual Meeting, partners agreed to renew all current products in the Core Collection and increase their overall contributions by 3 percent to cover the cost. Partners were invited to participate in a potential joint license for the EBSCO *Academic Search Complete* and *Canadian Reference Centre* as part of the MDLP Supplemental Collection.

Multitype Library Board Sessions at 2014 Saskatchewan Libraries Conference
Barbara Bulat and **Michael Shires** presented on a MLB session at the 2014 Saskatchewan Libraries Conference, which introduced the concept of

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Saskatchewan multitype library system and introduced an environmental scan of other multitype systems in North American. It also highlighted MLB initiatives and potential areas of cooperation, with 25 attendees at the session.

Jack Ma hosted sessions featuring Gale Cengage, Britannica, EBSCO and ProQuest trainers – the daylong training workshop at the 2014 Saskatchewan Libraries Pre-conference, covered a range of relevant features from basic to advanced and highlighted recent changes to MDLP products. More than 30 people from public, school, and academic libraries attended the workshop, which helped refresh their knowledge of the resources in the MDLP Core Collection.

Multitype Library Board Appointments
Education Minister **Don Morgan** appointed five new members and re-appointed three current members to the Multitype Library Board on March 26, 2014. These members will serve a two-year term on the Board:

Suzy Bear, Librarian, Prince Albert Parkland Health Region – representing special libraries;
Melissa Bennett, Legislative Librarian, Saskatchewan Legislative Library – representing special libraries;
Allan Johnson, Library Director, Southeast Regional Library – representing public libraries;
Crysta Bradley, Archivist, University of Regina – representing the archives community;
Darren J. Okemaysim, Professor, First Nations University of Canada – representing aboriginal library services;
Jennifer Shrubsole, Collection Development Librarian, SIAST Library and Testing Services – representing post-secondary libraries;
Carlene Walter, Instructional Consultant, Saskatoon Public Schools – representing school libraries;
Brett Waytuck, Provincial Librarian

Thanks were also extended to four former Board members whose term recently expired for their service on the Multitype Library Board and their contribution to library cooperation in the province. They are **Susan Baer**, **Pat Kolesar**, **John Murray** and **Edna Mirasty**.

Orientation for new MLB members is planned for June, 2014. The next MLB meeting will take place on September 18, 2014

New Multitype Library Services Coordinator
PLLO is pleased to announce the appointment of **Regan Gunningham** as the new Multitype Library Services Coordinator. Regan obtained her Library Information Technology Diploma (2003) from SAIT and MLIS (2009) from Dalhousie University. Regan started her library career in 2003 with Regina Catholic School Division as a cataloguer. After completing her MLIS, Regan worked as a librarian for the SIAST Kelsey Campus until July 2013. Over the past year she worked in the country of Qatar as the Electronic Resources Librarian for Weill Cornell Medical College – Qatar Campus. Regan is excited about returning to Canada to join the Multitype Library Development team.

Standards of Practice for School Library Learning Commons in Canada, 2014
Current and former MLB member **Carlene Walter** and **Joanne Beltramini** participated in producing *Leading Learning: Standards of Practice for School Library Learning Commons in Canada, 2014*. This publication represents a national collaboration of school library associations and leaders across Canada, and presents a model for the development and implementation of school library as a learning commons. It provides educators with a common set of standards of practice for moving forward, addresses the impact on education of new technologies, and provides practical approaches for all those engaged in creating successful 21st century school libraries in Canada.

Next Multitype Library Board Meetings
The Multitype Library Board will meet in Regina on October 8, 2014 at Provincial Library and Literacy Office.

Information on MLB is available at
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The Alberta Library Conference (ALC) 2015 Planning Committee, with support from the Library Association of Alberta (LAA) and the Alberta Library Trustees Association (ALTA), is pleased to announce that the call for proposals for the 2015 Alberta Library Conference is open. ALC 2015 takes place in Jasper, Alberta April 30 to May 3, 2015.

The ALC 2015 theme is **#network**. On its own, the word network has many meanings for libraries. The hashtag (#) takes this year's theme to a different level. By the simple act of adding a hashtag to a word or phrase, it becomes searchable on social media, organized by subject or topic, and, if promoted by enough individuals, can "trend" and attract more people to the discussion. What are your strategies for building networks in your library and community groups? What role do libraries play in creating and facilitating community conversations? What are the important social trends that are impacting and shaping the service you design and provide? The #network theme also encompasses the personal networks we form. How does personal networking help improve your library and your life? For example, what kind of networking takes place at this conference and how does it benefit our libraries?

The Committee strives to provide a range of sessions that are of interest to the broader library community in Alberta. Proposals from small rural libraries to large academic institutions demonstrate the complexity of librarianship as well as the adaptability and diversity of those who work within them. We encourage proposals from academic, public, school and special libraries of all sizes for consideration to present at the conference.

We are interested in receiving proposals from trustees for sessions which will provide education and training for Library Board members. If you are a public librarian, please share this call for submissions with your Board. In addition, if trustees have suggestions for speakers or topics of interest to trustees, they are invited to send them to Dr. Tanya Pollard to see if a session can be developed.

If you would like to be part of our program focused on examining and expanding our networks and exploring some the many possibilities for connections facilitated by libraries through our people, services and spaces, please submit your proposal at Alberta Library Conference 2014 Call for Session Proposals http://bit.ly/1tKVLGh

Submission deadline is **September 30, 2014.** Thank you for your interest in the Alberta Library Conference.

Interested in becoming an exhibitor at ALC 2015? Exhibitor information will be available soon!

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