



Canadian Federation of Library Associations
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HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO OUR MEMBERS AND THE LIBRARY COMMUNITY

We hope this holiday season is filled with warmth and joy. We've been busy this year at CFLA-FCAB and wanted to share greetings from our committees. If you're curious about more specifics, be sure to check out our Spring and Fall newsletters, and follow us on social media.

CATALOGUING & METADATA

The Code of Ethics for Cataloguers Review Working Group is currently reviewing the Code of Ethics for Cataloguers developed as a joint ALA CFLA-FCAB CILIP project. The working group will study the code and consult with the Canadian cataloguing community, delivering a report on the code to CMSC by the end of 2023.

Stacey Penney (Memorial University) has joined Thomas Brenndorfer (Guelph Public Library) as one of CFLA-FCAB's two representatives on the Canadian Committee on Cataloguing (CCC), replacing Emma Cross (Carleton University). CMSC would like to thank Emma for many years of service on CCC working on behalf of CFLA-FCAB and the Canadian Cataloguing Community.

COPYRIGHT

This fall, the CFLA Copyright Committee has produced a position statement on Controlled Digital Lending, and three papers related to Artificial Intelligence and Copyright, covering its application in Cultural Heritage Institutions; for Text and Data Mining Research; and for Right to Repair, Interoperability and Technical Protection measures.

Work continues related to the Making Content Accessible guide, crown copyright, reasonable search, and data and analysis, as well as ongoing meetings with policy makers to advance our goals for copyright policy that supports libraries and their users.

INDIGENOUS MATTERS

This year the Indigenous Matters Committee's new Chair, Kirk MacLeod (James Smith Cree Nation) largely focused on foundational documents.

Currently there is a call for members, which can be found [here](#).

**ANNUAL
GENERAL
MEETING**
Feb 9/ 2023



We look forward to our work in 2023.

A reminder that our AGM is taking place on February 9th of 2023, so keep your eyes out for information on that. Hopefully we'll see you in person at future library events and conferences.

Until then, we wish you all Happy Holidays,
CFLA-FCAB Board of Directors.

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM

The Intellectual Freedom Committee completed a scheduled 3-year review of its terms of reference, published and revised its Intellectual Freedom Toolkit, and re-established the Intellectual Freedom Award. In addition, the committee also continued to promote, manage and report on the challenge survey, submitted a detailed report to the Board in response to the development of a challenge database project by the Centre for Free Expression, and welcomed four new members.

We also offered guidance and support to libraries in regard to several high-profile intellectual freedom cases, publishing advisory statements on the newly re-designed website.

NEW! CLIMATE ACTION

In November, the CFLA-FCAB Board approved the creation of the federation's newest strategic committee: the Climate Action Committee. This committee will be a Canadian industry platform to advocate for climate policy at a national level, support regional efforts in accelerating climate action in libraries and amplifying the work of climate literacy across the country.

CFLA-FCAB is proud of this new strategic initiative and look forward to the formation of the founding committee in the New Year.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Throughout 2022, we've made a number of improvements to our financial management systems, including migrating our accounting software to Quickbooks. This will result in many efficiencies and service improvements for our members, including simplified invoicing and more regular financial reporting in 2023. Our annual audit review is also on track to be complete in time for the AGM this February. For the upcoming year, our financial goals include growing and diversifying revenue, while investing further in our stakeholder engagement work and participation in the international library community.