

OLITA Annual General Meeting Meeting Minutes 2015
Wednesday January 28, 2015
MTCC 204

1. Call to Order and Welcome - May

- President May Yan called the meeting to order and welcomed members to the 2015 OLITA AGM.

2. Approval of the Agenda - May

- May called for the approval of the agenda for the 2015 OLITA AGM. Approval was moved by Michael Vandenburg, seconded by Diane Bédard.

3. Approval of Minutes from the last AGM - May

- May called for the approval of the minutes from the 2014 OLITA AGM. Approval was moved by Alan Harnum, seconded by David Fiander.

Business arising from minutes

There was no business arising.

4. Treasurer's Report - Steve

- Steve Marks, outgoing OLITA Treasurer, provided the 2014-2015 Treasurer's Report via video located: [http://connect.scholarsportal.info/p3u8rllosgdl/](http://connect.scholarsportal.info/p3u8rllosgdl)
- Noted that these figures are unaudited.
- May called for the approval of the Treasurer's Report. Approval was moved by Jacqueline Whyte Appleby, seconded by Karina Douglas.

5. Annual Report - May

- **May Yan provided the 2014-2015 Annual Report.**
- 30 OLITA sessions at Super Conference this year
 - OLITA council thanked Jacqueline Whyte Appleby and Stephanie Orfano for their efforts in Super Conference planning. Jacqueline Whyte Appleby

is stepping down after this conference and will be replaced by Ana Vrana.

- 2016 Super Conference Planners: Stephanie Orfano, Anna Vrana
- OLITA membership number in 2014 totalled 2010 members which was down from 2013's membership number of 2312; however, it was still up from 2012's membership number of 1912.
- OLITA hosted another successful Digital Odyssey in June 2014. The theme was "Code: The Most Important Language in the World". The event was hosted at Ryerson and attracted 60 attendees. Chris Wu, New York Times developer Advocate, was the keynote speaker.
- OLITA spent 2014 repositioning some of the old technology that had not been circulating. OLITA deaccessioned the sony ereaders and put out a call for those interested in "hacking an ereader". There was lots of interest and all 22 ereaders were claimed a day after the call went out. OLITA received a report from Hackers with Integrity and will publish the report online soon. OLITA will be contacting other group on their ereader hacking progress in the upcoming year.
- For 2014, 6 items from the lending library were borrowed by individuals, and 13 items were borrowed from organizations. OLITA refreshed the Lending Library with new material including an Arduino Starter Kit, 4 Squishy Circuit Kits, and 4 Makey Makey kits. New items are forthcoming and will be announced to the membership.
- The OLITA Award for Technical Innovation has changed its name to the OLITA Project Award and innovation is no longer strictly emphasized as there are now 5 criteria for the award : Problem solving, Innovation, Impact, Timeliness, and Contribution to the library community. This award is geared to projects rather than individuals.
- In the upcoming year, there will be a new working group called Gaming in

Libraries.

- OLITA helped with the new OLA Code of Conduct and the procedures around it.
- Approval of the Annual Report was moved by Doris Rankin, seconded by Sarah Simpkin.

6. New Business/resolutions - May

- There was no new business and no resolutions.

7. Introduction of the new council and year ahead - Dan

- May Yan introduced and handed over chairship of the meeting to the new OLITA president Dan Scott.
- Dan thanked all retiring members for their service on council: Steve Marks, Alan Harnum, Tim Ribaric, Robin Isard and Andrew McAlorum. (Regrets: Steve, Robin, Andrew)
- Dan welcomed our incoming council members: Sarah Simpkin (VP), Jeffrey Toste, Kathryn Lee, Susanna Galbraith, Beth Mens (Regrets: Susanna).
- The Gaming Interest Group was introduced -- Emma Cross, Robert Smith and Pam King.

8. Hackfest result presentations

- Jacqueline Whyte Appleby gave a presentation on the OLITA Hackfest from earlier that morning. There were 45 participants from 36 institutions. Projects included: The Landing Gear Family Tree: Book APIs; Pinpointing Poetry - geomap of poetry; Mapping OLA attendees; Mapping recreation for Edmonton Public Library; Staff digital competencies; Playing with Bibliocommons API; and Clearing the path to embed metadata for TPL Digital Archive. The Hackfest was successful and Jacqueline thanked everyone who participated.

9. OLITA Award for Technological Innovation - Dan

- President Dan Scott gave an update on the name change and new criteria for the OLITA Project Award. Dan explained that all the criteria including the size of the library is taken into account along with voting forms.
- Dan noted that OLITA appreciates the support of [OCLC Canada](#) for their sponsorship of the OLITA Project Award, which includes a trip for the recipient to the CLA Conference to present the project at the annual OCLC / CLA Symposium.
- Dan presented the award to the winner -- Innisfil Public Library for their submission: Cultivating a Hacker Ethic at Innisfil Public Library. Dan went on to explain the project and how Innisfil Public Library created the IdeaLab which had a huge impact by integrating with the community and ultimately achieving culture change within the library. Susan Downs, Chief Librarian / CEO of Innisfil Public Library accepted the award which was presented by Daniel Boivin, Executive Director at OCLC Canada.

10. Other business - Dan

- Dan asked if there was any other business. There was no other business.

11. Adjournment - Dan

- Dan Scott asked to adjourn the meeting, this was moved by Diane Bédard.