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**OPLA 2015 Annual General Meeting
Metro Toronto Convention Centre
January 28, 2016 9:00 a.m.**

1. Call to order

The 2015 AGM was called to order at 9:00am by Sandi Burgess.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Monika Conduit; Seconded by Kathleen Shannon. Carried.
All documentation and reports are posted for review on the OLA website

3. Thank you to OPLA Council 2015

President Sandi Burgess recognized Council 2015: Lisa Moran, Alexandra Yarrow, Alicia Subniak Kilgour, Monika Conduit, Dawn Kiddel, Kathleen Shannon, Syndie Lane, Elizabeth Sutter, Amber McNair, Maureen Johnson, Roxanne Rissanen, Sarah McDonald. Council was thanked for their work throughout their terms and their dedication

4. Thank you and recognition of Committees

Education Institute-Alexandra Eisenbichler, Justine Gerroir
Hoopla and Open Shelf editors-Catherine Coles and Vanessa Holm
Children and Youth Services Committee-Douglas Davy
Best Bets Committee-Vivien Keiling and Erin Walker
Reader's Advisory Committee-Diana Krawczyk
Community Led Committee-Laura Lukasik

5. Introduction of OPLA Council 2016

New members starting 3 year terms on Council:
Vice President-Jennifer La Chapelle
Central East-Karen Bisschop
Eastern Region- Erica Hesson
Northeastern Region- Karina Douglas Takayesu
Kickstart to Participation- Sarah Gauthier

6. Approval of Minutes 2014

Approved Peggy Thomas; Second Sarah Gauthier. Carried.

7. Business arising from the Minutes

None

8. New Business

None



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9. Fiscal Year Adjustment

Fiscal year will move to September to August to align with Super Conference and OLA fiscal schedule. Change will occur in 2017.

10. Annual Reports

- a. OPLA President: Sandi Burgess expressed thanks to Shelagh Patterson and OLA Office for their continuing support of Council and Ontario libraries. President Burgess outlined OPLA divisional goals of continuing professional development and recognition of excellence, met with OPLW grants, attendance at provincial meetings for community hubs, CRTC and CLEO, Syrian refugee support.
- b. President Burgess reported on Readers' Advisory Committee Chair Diana Krawczyk's behalf that Core Competencies documents have been completed with the last competency, Reader Development. All documentation is available on the OLA website. The RA in a Day theme 2015 was Romance with guests from Harlequin, panel discussion and table discussion encouraging attendees to create a dating profile for a character. Lastly, Best Bet read-alikes lists can be found on the Readers' Advisory page.
- c. President Burgess reported on Children's and Youth Committee Chair Douglas Davy's behalf that the Youth Expo/Blow Out held in November encouraged professional networking with guest speakers, hands on exhibits and authors. Benchmarking information to be shared in February.
- d. President Burgess reported on Community-Led Libraries committee chair Laura Lukasik's behalf that the Community-Led toolkit specific to Ontario libraries is in development. The Second Annual Think Tank took place in May with Bill Irwin as host.
- e. Treasurer-Elizabeth Sutter reported that the 2016 budget will reflect travel expenses for attending PLA. The full budget report is on the OLA website.
- f. President Burgess reported on the work of the Best Bets Committees: RA/Diana Krawczyk Children and Youth/Vivien Keilling, Erin Walker: Lists for both groups can be found on the OLA website.
- g. PLA-travel grant-PLA 2016 will be held in Denver. Applications to be sent to regional council with a final draw by OPLA Council
- h. Public Library Award Winners:
 - i. OPLA Advocacy in Action, Excellence in Children's or Teen Service: Daria Sharanwcyh
 - ii. OPLA Children's or Youth Services Librarian of the Year: Andrea Wesson
 - iii. OPLA Leadership in Adult Readers' Advisory Award: Bessie Sullivan
 - iv. OPLA Lifetime Achievement Award: Rod Sawyer
 - v. OPLA W.J. Robertson Medallion (Public Librarian of the Year): Rebecca Jones

11. Adjournment

Moved by Kathleen Shannon; Seconded by Anne Baxter