

**2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the  
ONTARIO COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**

Tuesday, February 2, 2021  
1:30pm – 2:00pm  
Location: Zoom (online)

**AGENDA**

**Presiding:** Angela Henshilwood, President

**1. Welcome**

- Thank you all for attending! Please note, only OCULA members can vote

**2. Adoption of the agenda**

Moved by Jan Guise

Seconded by Melanie Mills

No discussion

Motion carried via online poll (99% yes, 4% abstain)

**3. Approval of the Minutes of the 2020 OCULA Annual General Meeting**

Moved by Abeer Siddiqui

Seconded by David Fiander

No discussion

Motion carried via online poll (80% yes, 20% abstain)

**Introduction of OCULA Council 2020-21**

Angela Henshilwood, President

Zack Osbourne, Vice-President / President-Elect

Cindy Smith, Past-President

Jace Harrison, Recent Graduate Representative

Natalie Colaiacovo, Councillor-at-large, Treasurer

Abeer Siddiqui, Councillor-at-large

Aliya Dalfen, Councillor-at-large

Melanie Mills, Councillor-at-large

Heather Buchansky, Councillor-at-large, Secretary

Rob Makinson, InsideOCULA Co-editor-in-chief

Angela would like to formally recognize and thank Andrew Colgoni and Mikayla Redden for their work on planning the OCULA stream for the Super Conference.

#### **4. Acceptance of the treasurer's report (divisional budget)**

Presented by Natalie Colaiacovo, Treasurer

- Link to [Financial Report \(PDF\)](#)  
Overview:
- Due Covid-19, OCULA Spring conference was cancelled, no revenue was generated, but no expenses incurred
- Sept 2019 - March 2020 costs incurred include: in-person meetings, gifts for webinar speakers, lighting strike winners
- Currently have a \$807 deficit

Moved by Thomas Guignard

Seconded by Jason Bird

Motion carried via online poll (81% yes, 19% abstain)

#### **5. President's Report**

Presented by Angela Henshilwood, President

- Link to [full report \(PDF\)](#)

Moved by Melanie Mills

Seconded by Jason Bird

Motion carried via online poll (83% yes, 17% abstained)

#### **6. EDI Committee Report**

Presented by Melanie Mills, co-chair

- OCULA's EDI Committee has met six times over the course of the past year
- Work done so far:
  - established guiding principles for committee's work;
  - consider how committee's Terms of Reference (ToR) might take shape;
  - connected with OLA's *Cultural Diversity and Inclusion Committee* (and its co-chairs, Mandi Arlain and Mai Lu) to ensure that we identify areas of mutual work and interest across committees;
  - hosted two events;
    - November 23rd, OCULA Councillors Abeer Siddiqui and Jace Harrison hosted a '*Holding Space for BIPOC Workers*' event, was well attended and warmly received;
    - November 30th, EDI Committee members hosted an open dialogue on '*Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion in Academic Libraries*', which included facilitated conversations on current recruitment, hiring, promotion, and retention practices, library and archival collections, and spaces

Moved by Nathalie Soini

Seconded by Aliya Dalfen

Motion carried (through majority 'thumbs up' reaction)

## **7. New Business/Resolutions**

- No resolutions put forth by the membership
- No new business arising in meeting

## **8. Election Report**

- OLA suspended the board and council elections for 2020 to maintain consistency and support to the association during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Elections will resume for 2021

Moved by Natalie Colaiacovo

Seconded by Jan Guise

Motion carried via online poll (75% yes, 25% abstain)

## **9. Open Discussion: Any questions? What would you like to see from OCULA this year?**

- Zack noted that OCULA is currently working on the Terms of Reference and how council can better use and engage with Twitter

Topics or questions received by attendees:

- Is there any support being offered to the library staff at Laurentian University at this time?
  - Will look into it, and provide the the support as needed
- EDI committee and focus - will this also include neurodivergent staff, student assistants?
  - Definitely falls within scope, ToR haven't been defined, but this area can be included
- Suggestions for further EDI topics on offering terminology in accessibility & diversity, as it is constantly changing
- Suggestion on topics for hosted discussions of current interest. i.e. returning to campus

## **10. Adjournment**

Moved by Nathalie Soini

Motion carried via online poll (80% yes, 20% abstain)

Remember OCULA Spotlight speaker, Angela Misri, taking place on Friday, February 5 from 1:30pm - 2:15pm. Please join!