



Minutes –CNIRAC Meeting
May 10, 2011, 7:00 a.m.
Orange County Convention Centre West, Room –303A
Orlando, FL

Present: Joanne Colbourne (ON), Sandra Quayle (SK), Robina Penney (AB-Vice-Pres), Jan Quesnel (AB), Carol Hryniuk-Adamov (MB- CSIG), Barb Galessiere (MB), Garth Brooks (ON-Sec/Trea), Lorraine Giroux (ON-President), Donna McCormick (BC), Mike Bowden (BC-IPSIG)

1. Welcome, introductions & clarification for voting
2. Approval of agenda - Sandra/Robina
3. Minutes of last meeting - Joanne/Carol - approved
4. Financial report
 - Canadian Reception - \$4646.91(\$200 Branch to Branch- ? council)
 - Operating \$6894.34 balanceRobina/Carol - approved
5. Correspondence - non
6. Report on Canadian Reception – Garth
Tuesday, May 10 2011 5:00 pm – Orlando Ballroom N (only 1 change)
 - Donations councils \$3196.91 (13); donations publishing companies \$1450.00 (down to 6)
 - Councils to plan for Chicago 2012 reception in their budget
7. Business arising from last meeting – Robina accepted VP
8. Cross-country Updates –Provincial Coordinators /Designates Report
British Columbia - Donna McCormick – highlights – new website – readingbc.ca – published online cultural awareness newsletter – free download - /lessons/ideas/- Vancouver’s diverse population – points to ponder column – cultural awareness – recognize websites – cultures of the world – evaluation; websites – send recommendations of picture books as part – article in Reading Today article- leadership – May – conference in October Ray Rizolli – keynote – Award of Excellence – Prov council – Terrell Young – Multicultural Lit – Celebrate Literacy Ward – Raise the Reader coordinator newspaper – Outreach – children in Turkey – books – BC Council thriving – locals all but one inactive – leadership challenges on Executive – finding new people
Alberta - meetings in fall – leadership – Garth & Sarah – snowed out last 2 meetings – this weekend in Edmonton – locals support outreach – leadership in fall – Kathleen – Edmonton – struggling used to be strongest – spring conference – 130 reg down from 500-600 – membership down - SE council difficulty – not req # members – Calgary 3 workshops after-school – good attendance – Miriam Treherne -
Saskatchewan – prov council doing well – locals struggling – successful conf end of April – 400 reg – next year in Regina – membership depends on – first time in history SK teachers walked off job – invitation back to table – meet on May 16 – wages
Manitoba –Adolescent Summit – co-chairs Barb & Carol - April 14-15 - aboriginal traditions honoured – 440 registrations - up all over – Vicki Risko & Marino Alvarez – 2 cancellations – David Booth (filled in by Shelley Stagg-Peterson) focus group recommendations to MB

Gov't – what would education look like – lunch & learn – publishers – poster sessions – challenges – number of registrations – presenters to pay reg - Kevin Flanagan, Ontario – prov council focus on Diversity & Leadership – considerable planning and effort – cancelled – end of Jan & end of March also not received – back to drawing of board – moving out of Toronto – EYS – Reading for the Love of It in February – draws large attendance – new Exec Dir – timing – Celebrate Literacy used to be October – perhaps Niagara – Itah Sadu (A Different Booklist) – book recommendations on cultural diversity

9. Updates

- a. Website - Mike Bowden mbowden@sd73.bc.ca
 New version - \$105 – send receipt domain name 2years www.cnirac.ca
 Send Mike updates & information – look at site – suggest updates, corrections and additions – deadline for information and email permission – end of May for beginning of September
- b. C- SIG- newsletter – send news to Dorothy session at 9:00 am - W 305B – designate someone to submit an article – by end of May - card to Dorothy address and email – candidate for CNIRAC Award – Ken/Meredyth/Carol – to Lorraine – nominate Dorothy – send to Meredyth – collect information and cc - members
- c. Indigenous People SIG – membership – free – website – presentation yesterday afternoon – received well – members worldwide

10. Chairperson's Closing Remarks - congratulations to councils that received awards on Sunday – North of 60, Alberta, Kewatin Nene SK – thanks to Dorothy hard work – thanks to Garth for Reception – invitations – changes in IRA –

11. Donna raised issues of rumours regarding IRA – Carol Jupiter feedback – communication/transparency – -gift to Sarah – gift from CNIRAC– Lorraine purchasing card – please sign

12. Meeting Adjournment – Robina/Sandra

Nominating Canadians to committees – website – information on IRA website
 Next meeting: April 30– May 2 2012 – Chicago

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