

In Session:

CALL/ACBD's Newsletter

August 2015

From the Executive Board

CALL/ACBD at the CBA Legal Conference

We will again have a booth at the Canadian Bar Association's annual conference, this year being held in Calgary August 14-16. Shaunna Mireau will be leading the charge and building on Cyndi Murphy's work last year with a slide show raising our profiles in the context of the future of the legal profession. If you would like to help with the booth, please contact Shaunna at smireau@fieldlaw.com. Please encourage the CBA members in your life to drop by and say hello!

Opening Executive Board Meetings

In the November 2014 meeting of the CALL/ACBD Executive Board, it was decided that meetings of the Board should be made more open. A first step was to make the minutes available to members. Agendas and Minutes starting January 2015 are now available on the website in the "Members" area under "[Member Resources](#)."

The next step is to allow for members to attend Board meetings. Our next meeting is scheduled for **August 12, 1 - 3 pm ET**. If you would like to attend the call, please contact National Office for details: office@callacbd.ca. An agenda will be posted to the website in advance.

A policy is being drafted with respect to Board meetings to clarify member attendance. Essentially:

- Members will be observers and will provide input during meetings only if invited to do so
- Certain business of the Association will be held in camera with only Executive Board present (with or without National Office) and will also not be included in the minutes released to members. To clarify this for everyone, these types of instances will be outlined in the policy and posted to the CALL/ACBD website. In camera items are to be kept to a minimum and should appear on agendas.

We are pleased to make the Board more transparent for all members. Feedback about these changes may be given to any Board member or National Office.

Committee & SIG News

Membership Development Committee

Call for Volunteers – Education Visits Program

We need your help! Every year, the Membership Development committee organizes the Educational Institutions Visits Program. Our representatives talk to students about careers in the field of law libraries, the prospects that are available in this field of practice, and the importance of professional associations. They share with aspiring information professionals insights about law librarianship as an exciting and enriching career option. The format of the program is flexible. The talk can be a guest lecture within a course, a lunchtime session, or another out-of-class opportunity depending on the time and space that the school might make available.

This is an exciting opportunity to reach out to students of Canadian MIS/MLIS programs to inform them about law librarianship as a possible career path and the value of CALL/ ACBD as a professional association for aspiring law information professionals.

If you are interested in participating in the program and visiting an Information/ Library Science School in your city on behalf of CALL, please contact the Program Coordinator, Svetlana Kochkina at svetlana.kochkina@mcgill.ca .

Update – Member Profile!

Check out the newest member profile “Five Questions with Jennifer Walker” on the CALL website. We’ve decided to extend this project through 2016, and MDC will continue reaching out for member participants. The profiles provide a lighthearted opportunity for members to share and celebrate their achievements and show a bit of their personal side to colleagues. We hope you enjoy reading them as much as we do!

Announcements

Writing Opportunity for Canadian Law Librarians Interested in Privacy Rights

Authors are wanted to write entries for the Privacy Rights in the Digital Era: An Encyclopedia. This work is currently in development by Grey House Publishing. We seek to make this encyclopedia the definitive reference work in the subject of contemporary privacy rights, with over 230 entries on the various concepts, theories, persons, statutes, and cases involved in the subject of privacy rights.

This is a great publishing opportunity for publishing in a dynamic, high interest area. The publisher will pay honoraria for entries that are accepted.

If you are interested, please write Chris Anglim, the general editor of this project, at canlim@udc.edu. He will provide additional information, including the list of entries, deadlines, and word count limits. The advisory editor for the project is Professor Jane E. Kirtley, JD, director of the Silha Center for the Study of Media Ethics and Law at the University of Minnesota’s School of Journalism.

Because we seek to make this the definitive reference work in the privacy rights area, we welcome suggestions as to any additional topics that should be included. We also welcome suggestions as to potential writers who might be interested in contributing to this work. We welcome your participation. We hope you will accept our invitation and look forward to hearing from you.



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