

AGENDA

ACCOLEDS 2017 AGM

Thompson Rivers University, Thursday November 30, 2017, 11:00 AM

Attendees:

Chair: Chris Burns, Kwantlen Polytechnic University
Recorder: Rhys Stevens, University of Lethbridge
Marilyn Andrew, University of Regina
Gary Strike, University of Manitoba
Brenda Philip, University of the Fraser Valley
James Doiron, University of Alberta
Bahiyih Egeli, University of Alberta (SLIS student)
Peggy Lynn MacIsaac, Athabasca University
Elizabeth Kreiter, Trinity Western University
Amy McLay Paterson, Thompson Rivers University
Daniel Brendle-Moczuk, University of Victoria
Sarah Stang, Okanagan College
Wanda Power, University of British Columbia (SLAIS student)
Tara Stieglitz, MacEwan University
Will Meredith, Royal Roads University
Ian Fraser, University of Winnipeg
Susie Wilson, University of Northern British Columbia
Chantal Ripp, Statistics Canada
Genevieve Jourdain, Statistics Canada

1. **Approval of the AGM Agenda** – Moved: Marilyn Andrews, seconded: Will Meredith – Approved
2. **Approval of 2016 ACCOLEDS Annual General Meeting Minutes** – Moved: Brenda Philip, seconded: Will Meredith – Approved
 - ACTION – Transfer of GUIDO list; to be discussed later; some people not yet on list
 - ACTION – Include regional lists be included in DLI survival guide – Think that it was added; will check to confirm (Marilyn)
 - ACTION – James to investigate CIHI (on agenda)
 - Dataverse Training Session (yes, this was done)
 - RECOM – Scholars GeoPortal (discussion coming)

Gail Curry from UNBC not UBC – correction to the attendance lists from the last minutes.

3. **COPPUL Update from Director Kristina McDavid**

- Two-page document; members had chance to quickly read and review during meeting.

4. **DLI Professional Development Committee Report** (Marilyn Andrews)

- Several teleconference meetings this year; did the DLI contacts survey; been some work done on core competencies for official data contacts; would like a comprehensive document related to this; will continue to meet as they are gearing up for the national training day 2018; scheduling training prior to the start of iASSIST; likely to include a bootcamp; airfare to training day will be paid for by StatCan DLI; encourages attendance at event as well as the iASSIST conference.
- **Question** – Where does the core competencies stand? Not yet finalized but there is a meeting during the last week in May where it will be discussed.
- IASSIST noted as being a high quality conference and good experience (James D.); this year being combined with ACMLA conference.

5. **ACCOLEDS Website & Guido-L Report** (Tara Stieglitz)

- All past ACCOLEDS conference materials now included on the site; thanks to Anna and others for their contributions to add items to site.
- Listserv – now migrated to a new Google list which is administered by COPPUL; no longer need to rely on a single institution; DLI contacts for the West and others who have expressed interest are now included on the list; noted that some people are not yet on the GUIDO-L list (e.g., Amy from TRU; Rhys/Sandra); list archives from previous two instances not able to be migrated and are now lost.
- Suggestion for a section on the website for storing/providing data training resources (Tara action).

6. **Scholars GeoPortal – Discussion**

- Scholars GeoPortal is a geospatial data repository developed by OCUL; similar to <odesi> but for geospatial data sets. Anyone can search the metadata freely, but only members of Scholars GeoPortal can download datasets.
- At last meeting, discussion about the usefulness of Scholars GeoPortal but ACCOLEDS members can't access the actual files; related to working out an arrangement with Scholars GeoPortal for COPPUL members to have access. COPPUL's Executive Director was asked to initiate discussions. Kristina McDavid's letter reported on her progress.
- ScholarsPortal would like to know how much real interest there is from ACCOLEDS members and perhaps have ACCOLEDS create a working group to move this along. (Marilyn suggests it is of high value); there is no price available yet.
- Daniel suggested a quick poll to gauge interest; twelve members at the meeting are interested enough in the product and would like to know the price of the product. Daniel also suggested that we invite Scholars GeoPortal staff to speak at the next ACCOLEDS. ACTION Tara to bring this back to Kristina as a next step and to request details regarding cost; Daniel willing to be a spokesperson... he will also involve Larry L. (Alberta); would like to extend invitation to them to present at future ACCOLEDS event.

7. CIHI in DLI follow-up (James Doiron)

- Data is of interest to all kinds of researchers even further afield than just health researchers; have some CIHI data in the DLI (Discharge Abstracts / DAD data); There is a program for graduate students to freely access CIHI data (vs. high cost for researchers); would be great to incorporate more CIHI data into DLI... has connected with them and they are onboard with making their data more available as it is not easy to access at present; their data comprised health Services/ health Spending/ health Personnel; he will now follow-up with them and have more conversations; possibility of adding additional datasets to the DLI collection...
- James has inquired about, e.g., Continuing Care Reporting System; National Healthcare Expenditure Database; National Ambulatory Care Report System; Health Workforce Database (HWDB).
- ACTION: James will continue discussions with CIHI and will follow-up regarding absence of particular provinces (e.g., B.C.) in DAD datasets.

8. RTRA Survey Update (Chris Burns)

- Real Time Remote Access (RTRA) is a service offered by Statscan. Researchers can directly query data at more detailed levels than via PUMF data files; but it requires SAS requests for data; also costs \$5000-10,000 / year depending on institution size. After almost 5 years, only three Canadian universities have joined the RTRA program.
- Seeing fewer PUMFs being added to the DLI collection but more content is being added to the RTRA collection.
- At the last ACCOLEDS meeting, Chris reported on a survey conducted by the Regional Library Consortium RTRA Working Group to determine the level of interest in the RTRA service and identify barriers to participation. Output was a report to an external advisory committee that recommended combining this with DLI to enable greater access and more training opportunities, a wider spectrum of cost options; EAC considered this in the Spring and the recommendation was turned down although there was discussion about creating a more user friendly interface to RTRA.
- (Chantal Ripp) RTRA group want to do another webinar in 2018 to discuss developments.

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9. Roundtable – All

- Chris Burns – Kwantlen cancelled DMTI; also did something for GIS day at her institution; great turnout including interest from the local community (agriculture related person).
- Rhys Stevens – sessions related to RDM at Open Access week.

- James Doiron – established formal relations; cyber infrastructure call... he was asked to review applications based on some outreach activities he did earlier in the year.
- Chantal Ripp – Several planned webinars (e.g., CHMS); invites ideas for webinars even beyond the scope of StatCan DLI.
- Peggy Lynn MacIsaac – Use a Contact management system – “called HEAT” to track all reference questions;
- Amy Paterson – mentioned two separate systems used by TRU that track questions as well as research consultations... both done using LibSurveys;
- James Doiron – has also been involved in creating a spreadsheet-based tracking system for data-related questions which also provides information on reporting.

10. **2018 National Training Day** (Marilyn Andrews) – Discussed previously in earlier agenda item; Peggy Lynn question about who presenting IASSIST (James D. submitted several abstracts).

11. **2018 ACCOLEDS** (Tara Stieglitz) – DLI will only fund travel costs for one annual DLI event / year (Chantal); but Tara says that we DO want to hold an event in 2018; please be aware you won't be able to obtain travel funding to attend BOTH the national training day AND the ACCOLEDS training session (Tara/Chantal); UBC is willing and has confirmed interest in hosting event in 2018 (Daryl); Marilyn suggests early planning of this event due to the possibility that extra travel costs might be necessary for some members.

Acknowledgements –

There is a card and gift for Chuck Humphrey for presentation at his event at the U. of Alberta next week; to recognize his significant contributions to ACCOLEDS, DLI and the Canadian data community.

There is also a card for Chantal Ripp in recognition of her valuable contributions to DLI; also a card for Gilbert Bede with best wishes.

Special thanks to the local event organizers at T.R.U.

Motion to adjourn (Peggy Lynn MacIsaac) – Approved – AGM Meeting adjourned @ 1:15pm