

BCLTA

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Subject: Nominations for the BCLTA Board of Directors - Six Positions to be Elected in May 2007

To: Library Board Chairs and BCLTA Liaisons **Please distribute to your boards**

Are you interested in taking your role as a trustee to the next level and serving on the board of the British Columbia Library Trustees' Association?

Now is the time to do it. This year there are six positions for election at our Annual General Meeting on May 11th. (You do not need to be present at the AGM to run.) The six positions are:

- President (a one-year term)
- Secretary Treasurer (a two-year term)
- Four Directors:
 - two positions for two year terms
 - two positions for one year

What is the work of the Board?

BCLTA is governed by a Board of nine and is supported by an Executive Director and an Administrative Assistant. The mission of our organization is to "develop and support library trustees to advance public library service in BC." Our organization provides a range of services to trustees and boards to make them leaders in BC's library community such as conferences, workshops, bulletins, newsletters, etc.

BCLTA also fills an important strategic role providing organized representation to the provincial government levels of government and the public.

Full details on the mandate of our organization, goals for the current year can be found on our website www.bclta.org in the section "About BCLTA".

What commitment is involved to serve on the BCLTA Board?

The Board meets approximately three times per year in the Lower Mainland - typically on a Saturday - plus there is an annual conference. As well, it is expected that board members can attend a few other key events throughout the year such as the Library Reception at the UBCM Convention in September and some of the main provincial government strategic plan symposiums. We try to share these responsibilities across all board members. Your expenses to attend meetings and events are fully covered by BCLTA.

What's in it for you?

Volunteering enables people to explore new options, increase their profile and acquire hands-on leadership experience. And, increasingly, the best employers want women and men with business acumen, communication skills, community connections and a lifelong commitment to learning and growth. So, if you have the energy and enthusiasm and the following benefits interest you:

- increase your leadership skills
- network with your peers

- try something new
- expand your horizons
- improve teamwork and other skills
- do something great for public libraries

.... then why not consider running for a BCLTA board position? On May 11th, at the Conference in Kelowna, your new executive will be elected at the Annual General Meeting. Nomination forms and guidelines are available on our website: <http://www.bclta.org/nomin.html>

Although nominations are also accepted from the floor at the AGM, we encourage early nominations. **Any nomination received in our office before April 20th**, will have the opportunity for that candidate to have their background and biography posted on our website for the information and consideration of our membership.

If you have any questions about any of the roles or responsibilities of these board positions, please do not hesitate to contact me or any of the other board members. Contact information can be found on our website www.bclta.org .

Thank you for considering serving the public library community as part of this board that represents trustees from around British Columbia.

Sincerely,
Lawrence Lavender
President, British Columbia Library Trustees' Association and
Chair of the Nominating Committee

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