

CALL/ACBD (Government SIG)

Annual Report 2019 - 20

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Activities and initiatives that the committee has completed during this past year:

July Co-chair's planning meeting. The goal of the SIG is to bring value to the CALL government libraries members by providing a forum to share knowledge and a safe discussion space on issues we face working in government spaces; sharing our expertise through blog posts and creating a vibrant network of government library participants.

August Co-Chair planning meeting for conference proposal

September Committee Teleconference on Action Plan and Topical Focus for the Year

1. Sponsoring a conference session at Hamilton 2020. In September, the proposed topics were discussed via teleconference with the full committee. Committee voted on submitting a session proposal on Value Impact Analysis.
 - o Value Impact analysis ;

- Procurement – contract issues ;
 - Open Government;
 - Access to justice
 - Wellness what keeps you up at night
2. In year meetings with a topical focus
- September 2019 Meeting Focus – Submitting a conference proposal to raise profile of SIG and engage committee members. Topics to focus on for next 2 committee meetings in November and February with a volunteer session leader.
 - November 2019 Meeting Focus - Procurement – contract issues (security, privacy, confidentiality, ILL, public access) for goods, services, IT or digital licenses highlighting what needs to be considered
 - February 2020 Meeting Focus – Going Digital – external and internal, including digitization of local owned documents
3. Sharing news through the CALL Blog
- Prepare three blog posts with topic of interest on Government related issues.
4. Set up a Government SIG Basecamp site for members and Executive to contribute to the activities of the SIG,

September sponsored Govt SIG conference proposal - Communicating Through Strategic Alignment with Melanie Brown

October Blog Post – Government Information in Canada

November Teleconference – Discussion on open government

January – Fiona McPherson stepped down as co-chair and Alicia Loo appointed

February Teleconference – Going digital – share best practices, messaging, how to stay in touch with the clientele, issues, facilities impact, data visualization and use of database statistics

April Teleconference - Connect with members on how they are managing their libraries during forced closures due to Covid-19 Pandemic

Activities and initiatives that the committee hopes to tackle for the next business year:

Sponsor a 2021 Conference session

2 Teleconference Calls on a Topic of Interest

2-3 Blog Posts

