

## **Bibliographic Control Committee Report 2008-2009**

I am pleased to submit the annual report of the Bibliographic Control Committee (BCC).

### ***Membership***

The Committee members this past year were Christine Alexander (Library and Archives Canada), Stéfano Biondo (Université Laval), Trudy Bodak (York University), (Chair), Nancy Lemay (University of Ottawa), Donna Porter (Library and Archives Canada), Grace Welch (University of Ottawa), (Retired), Frank Williams (University of Ottawa), and Alberta Auringer Wood (Memorial University), (Retired).

### ***Meetings***

The Committee held its annual meeting on May 13, 2008 at the CARTO 2008 conference in Vancouver, where we outlined several goals for the coming year.

In December, several BCC members attended a meeting in Ottawa with representatives from LAC (Library and Archives Canada). This was a very productive meeting. Status reports were presented about the Union Catalogue of Maps, AMICUS, the Canadian Cataloguing Committee, and the Published Heritage Branch of the Library and Archives Canada. We reviewed and discussed ongoing projects (Metadata Core Document, Cartographic Citations, LAC Cutter Table, and the BCC web site).

### ***Workshops***

As a continuation of our efforts to educate our members about metadata, BCC organized another metadata information session for CARTO 2008 in Vancouver. The presenter was Andrea Buffam from Natural Resources Canada. Future workshops on RDA (Resource Description and Access) and metadata will be considered for 2010.

### ***Cataloguing***

Throughout the year Donna Porter, as the ACMLA representative on the Canadian Committee on Cataloguing (CCC), has been very active reviewing and submitting comments to the Joint Steering Committee for RDA (Resource Description and Access) scheduled for release in late 2009. Frank Williams has been helping Donna review the new drafts as they are released to the members of CCC. In January, Donna attended the CCC annual meeting in Ottawa. This day long meeting was devoted to issues and concerns with the draft version of RDA. We will keep ACMLA posted on the progress of RDA and the work of CCC.

### ***Other Activities and Accomplishments***

The Committee worked on several intensive and time consuming projects this year. We revised the BCC Rules and Procedures Document, and submitted it to the ACMLA executive. We reviewed the BCC portion of the new ACMLA website and submitted our comments to the ACMLA Web Committee. Alberta Auringer Wood completed the Cartographic Citations Guide. This work was published in ACMLA Bulletin number 132 / spring-summer, 2008, and is available on the ACMLA website. Throughout the year, Grace Welch continued to work on the NAP (North American Profile) metadata template for geospatial core elements that we could recommend to the Canadian map/gis library community. The template of core elements is almost ready. Nancy Lemay is testing it in GeoNetwork. Our future plans are to develop a "Best Practices Guide" and to investigate and make recommendations for possible thesauri for geospatial metadata.

### ***Acknowledgements***

Once again, I would like to express my gratitude to the Committee members for their work this past year. It has been a pleasure chairing such a Committee of dedicated and inspiring colleagues. On behalf of the Committee I would also like to thank the ACMLA executive for their support for travel funding.

Respectfully submitted  
Trudy Bodak, Chair BCC  
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