



Report on Association of Parliamentary Librarians in Canada /Association des bibliothécaires parlementaires au Canada 2006-07 (APLIC/ ABPAC) to Steering Committee meeting August 18, 2007

APLIC held its business meeting in Ottawa May 4, 2007. Two new legislative librarians were present at this meeting, Kenda Clark-Gorey from New-Brunswick and Melissa Bennett from Saskatchewan. There are twelve members in the association.

Subjects discussed:

- Presenting APLIC to a wider audience
- Advocacy role of APLIC (given the significant reduction in staff and displacement of a member library)
- Partnerships
- IFLA pre-conference in 2008
- Should a research service be located under the library or in a procedural division?

Following the business meeting an afternoon panel presentation and discussion on the collection and preservation of government documents was held. .

APLIC directors and their staff in attendance discussed the question: *What is the role of APLIC in the collection, preservation and providing access to legislative and government documents?* Many ideas were put forward and it was decided to set up a working group to: develop shared principles and vision; determine how to implement these principles and visions through the development of a business case and; consider a possible options paper.

President is Kimberly Hammond of Newfoundland and Labrador, co-Vice-presidents are Sue Bishop of Manitoba and Melissa Bennett of Saskatchewan and Secretary is Lynn Brodie, Ottawa.

Next business meeting will be in August 2008 in Ottawa at the national parliament prior to the IFLA meeting in Québec City. APLIC members look forward to meeting you next year in Ottawa and are actively working with the Library of Parliament to plan a most enjoyable program.

Lynn Brodie