Greetings all!

As always, March is a busy time of the year at SLA. Normally we would have just held our two-day board meeting, but unfortunately, we were unable to do so. That did not stop us from having a productive and engaging meeting. Our next board meeting will be held in conjunction with the conference and it will be amazing to meet everyone in person.

Planning is well underway for the Saskatchewan Libraries Conference and for the May 6th AGM being held at the conference. I hope to see you there. Registration is still open. We are excited for the amazing speakers, sessions and entertainment including key note speaker Tomson Highway and Mary Donaldson Memorial Lecture speaker Aaron Paquette. This will be our first in-person meeting and conference since 2019.

Although the loss of Anne Pennylegion was deeply felt during the planning and delivery of One Book One Province this year, Leslie and the OBOP committee have done a phenomenal job. It has been a different year of programming: a combination of virtual and in-person programming, films, cooking demonstrations, readings, and more.

We are coming up for a bit of change at the SLA. I would like to welcome Lynn Penner to the position of Research and Administrative Assistant. The Executive Director position has been posted and Dorothea Warren is planning her retirement. I have so enjoyed working with Dorothea, who has been ED since I became President in 2019. We also have a couple of key board positions looking for new bodies – Treasurer (one year) and VP Communications and Engagement (two years). Please reach out if you are interested in finding out more.

Enjoy the longer days and warmer sun.

Amy Rankin President, SLA