It’s an exciting time for IBBY Canada! Our membership and support continues to grow, and with it our dedication to creating a more inclusive and equitable world by connecting children to books that spark the imagination, challenge thinking, and promote friendship and understanding between cultures around the world.

**Counting 2022’s Highlights**

1. Hosting **International Children’s Book Day!** Celebrating the theme “Stories are wings that help you soar every day,” written by author Richard Van Camp and illustrated by Julie Flett, we partnered with IBBY New Zealand/Storyline for a global launch event featuring conversation between Elders and storytime with Indigenous authors.

2. Bringing books and children together. Sets of the *From Sea to Sea to Sea: Celebrating Indigenous Picture Books Collection* (IPBC) were donated to libraries serving Indigenous children in Whitehorse, YK; Fishing Lake Métis Settlement, AB; and Esengno’pêti, NB.

3. Shining a spotlight on Indigenous picture books. The third edition of the IPBC is in the works for 2023, along with live readings and events!

4. Promoting literacy in Canada and around the world! Our nominees for reading promotion awards IBBY-Asahi and IBBY-iRead—Ilitaqsiniq/Nunavut Literacy Council’s Pinguq program, and Zohreh Ghaeni, for her Read with Me program in Iran—were both honoured, each receiving a cash prize to fund their work.

5. Supporting Canadian talent at home... Illustrator Gérard DuBois was awarded the **Cleverer Award** for *À qui appartiennent les nuages?*, and Sandra Dumais the **Joanne Fitzgerald Illustrator residency**.

6. ... And abroad! Sydney Smith, our 2022 illustrator nominee for the international **Andersen Award**, was among the finalists for the prize. And Robert Munsch is again our nominee for the annual **ALMA**; the winner will be announced in 2023.


8. Sharing a love of reading. The **Reading with Newcomer Children** program continued online and also returned to in-person locations, and will be held in Toronto, Montreal and Winnipeg in 2023. A celebration is planned for the program’s more than 50 volunteers and hundreds of children and families.

9. Planning for the future. Work is underway for the **2023 IBBY World Congress** in Ottawa, centered on the theme “Listening to Each Other’s Voices.” We can’t wait to welcome the world—and you!

10. Connecting with you!
Nous avons de quoi nous réjouir à IBBY Canada! Le nombre de membres et de soutien continue de croître et avec cette croissance s’ajoute notre volonté de créer un monde plus inclusif et plus équitable en développant des liens entre les enfants et des livres qui vont éveiller leur imagination, susciter leur pensée critique et promouvoir l’amitié et la compréhension entre les cultures autour du monde.

**Les points saillants de 2022**

1. **Accueillir la Journée internationale des livres pour enfants!** En célébrant le thème "Les histoires sont des ailes qui t’aident à t’envoler chaque jour!", écrit par l’auteur Richard Van Camp et illustré par Julie Flett, nous avons travaillé en partenariat avec IBBY Nouvelle-Zélande/Storyline pour faire un lancement international mettant en vedette des conversations entre des Aînés et des heures du conte avec des auteurs autochtones.

2. **Relier les livres et les enfants.** Des ensembles de livres provenant de la sélection *From Sea to Sea to Sea: Celebrating Indigenous Picture Books Collection (IPBC)* ont été donnés à des bibliothèques desservant des enfants autochtones à Whitehorse, YK, Fishing Lake Métis Settlement, AB et à Esingenopetij, NB.

3. **Faire briller les livres illustrés autochtones.** La troisième édition de l’IPBC est en cours de production pour 2023 avec des lectures en présentiel et des activités!

4. **Faire la promotion de la lecture au Canada et à travers le monde!** Nos candidats pour la promotion de la lecture aux prix IBBY-Asabi et IBBY-IBRead—le programme d’Illatasiqinqdu Conseil de littérature du Nunavut Pinguquta et Zohreh Ghaeni, pour son programme Read with Me en Iran—ont tous les deux gagné ces prix et ont reçu un montant pour financer leur travail.

5. **Soutenir les talents canadiens...** L’illustrateur Gérard DuBois a remporté le prix Cleaver pour À qui appartiennent les nuages? et Sandra Dumais a obtenu la Résidence d’illustration Joanne Fitzgerald.

6. **...À l’étranger!** L’illustrateur Sydney Smith, notre candidat pour le prix Andersen 2022 était parmi les finalistes de ce prix. Robert Munsch est de nouveau notre candidat pour le prix ALMA; le lauréat sera annoncé en 2023.

7. **Bâtir des ponts.** Lors de notre deuxième année de jumelage avec IBBY République dominicaine, nous avons accueilli l’illustratrice Sandra Dumais, qui est illustratrice pour la Résidence Joanne Fitzgerald.

8. **Partager l’amour de la lecture.** Le programme Lire avec les enfants nouveaux arrivants a continué de façon virtuelle et aussi en présentiel dans plusieurs villes. En 2023 il y aura des lectures à Toronto, Montréal et à Winnipeg. Des festivités sont prévues pour les 50 bénévoles et la centaine d’enfants et leurs familles.

9. **Planifier le futur.** Le travail est en développement pour le Congrès international IBBY en 2026 à Ottawa, autour du thème "Écouter la voix de l’autre". Nous avons vraiment hâte d’accueillir le monde entier et vous aussi!

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Welcome

Thank you to the membership of IBBY Canada for their support over the past year—and for their consideration of this annual report for 2022. Rather than individual board member reports, this year we are trying something new, reporting by activity and achievement and noting—and celebrating!—the contributions by many.

It is being submitted with gratitude—and opens with pages of thanks to those involved in the awards, honours and programs of IBBY Canada offered in 2022 and appreciation for the members, sponsors and donors that made it all happen. It was quite a year!

We would like to extend special gratitude to our patron, Her Excellency Mary Simon, Governor General of Canada, for offering words of welcome at two of our very special events in 2022: the launch of International Children’s Book Day 2022 and our appreciation event for Reading with Newcomer Children. The patronage of Her Excellency and the beauty of her words inspire us.

The roots of three of programs continued to grow and expand in 2022—From Sea to Sea to Sea: Celebrating Indigenous Picture Books, Reading with Newcomer Children, and our twinning with IBBY Dominican Republic. We are pleased to preview “what’s next” for these programs in this report. And as we prepare for Congress 2026 in Ottawa, we continue to focus on building relationships nationally and internationally through programs such as these—and developing a base of support through our membership and fundraising programs and events—all the while celebrating the best in Canadian children’s literature.

In closing, we express solidarity with our international colleagues. During these challenging times, it is our privilege to be working with all of you to bring children and books together.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Directors
IBBY Canada
1 April 2023
Land Acknowledgement

With peace, harmony and unity, IBBY Canada acknowledges that we walk upon the traditional territories of Indigenous Peoples and recognize their history, spirituality, culture, and stewardship of the land. We honour all of the Indigenous Peoples who now reside on these lands and look forward to walking together as we learn truths of Canada’s past and move forward on a path of reconciliation.
Board of Directors 2021/2022

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Shamaila Siddique, Liaison, CANSCAIP
Dayle Sutherland, Regional Councillor West
Stephanie Wells, Newsletter Editor
Thank you to Committee Members, Volunteers and Program Partners

In addition to the Executive Committee, there were three active board committees in 2022, as well as numerous working committees, volunteers and program partners who contributed to the reach and impact of IBBY Canada in 2022.

They all support our mission to bring books and children together. Their work is celebrated in this report and at the Annual Meeting of Members.
Many Thanks to....

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**Promotions in French Canada**
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Stéphanie Boyer
Cécilia Morin
Josiane Polidori

**Thank you to Michèle Guevara for working with this committee as we develop Congress 2026 communications plans and choose an illustrator.**
Many Thanks to....

Awards and Nominations

Hans Christian Andersen Award 2024
Nicholas Aumais, Co-Chair
Lesley Clement, Co-Chair

Claude Aubry Award
Lisa Doucet, Co-Chair
Susane Duchesne, Co-Chair

Lesley Clement, Co-Chair

Elizabeth Mrazik-Cleaver Canadian Picture Book Award
Heather Doepner, Chair
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Honour List 2022
Stéphanie Boyer
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Nadine King
Josiane Polidori

Outstanding Books for Young People with Disabilities
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Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award 2023
Maral Maclagan, Chair

Frances E. Russell Grant
Deirdre Baker, Chair

Silent Books
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Mariella Bertelli, Chair
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Nadine King
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Many Thanks to....

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Patti McIntosh, Co-Chair

Agency Liaisons
Nahrin Ojanes, COSTI
Denise Hansen, Christie Refugee Welcome Centre

Assistance with Volunteer Orientation
Mariella Bertelli
Theo Heras

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Thank You!

International Children’s Book Day 2022

IBBY Canada was grateful for the opportunity to collaborate with Richard Van Camp, a Tłı̨chǫ writer from Fort Smith, and the acclaimed Julie Flett, a Cree/Métis author and illustrator, on the International Children’s Book Day 2022 theme, message to the children of the world, and poster that travelled the world so beautifully! We are honoured to work with you!
2022: Year in Review

Membership

At 104, the membership base of IBBY Canada continues to be strong—with commitments by volunteers and committee members to join the organization and participate in its governance.

We note the primary benefits of membership are participating at the AMM and program volunteering. And since we are no longer offering tax receipts for memberships, we are seeing that many supporters are choosing to donate to IBBY Canada rather than join as members.

Over 2023, we will continue to build our membership stewardship and renewal campaign, encourage auto-renew, and explore the benefits of joining, including member-only events.
2022: Year in Review

Fundraising

Fundraising through foundations, grants and charitable donations allows us to do programs and projects such as the International Children’s Book Day books-to-libraries initiative and the donation of books to the kids involved in Reading with Newcomer Children program—and will be integral to our success with Congress 2026 in Ottawa.

In 2022, we initiated the following fundraising efforts:

- A Giving Tuesday fundraising appeal to the newsletter list and through social media highlighting the impact of financial support. The graphic, beautifully designed by Michèle Guevara, is on page two of this report.
- Promotion of year-end reminder to please consider IBBY Canada as part of year-end giving.
- Creation of a “database” of potential foundations whose areas of interest align with the work of IBBY Canada.
- Work on Kid Lit Trivia Night with three events planned for 2023.

Many thanks in advance to Toronto Kid Lit Trivia Night host Kevin Sylvester and our all-star team of Cary Fagan, Kenneth Oppel, Teresa Toten and Cybèle Young!

We hope Kid Lit Trivia Night will become annual fundraisers in support of our programs and projects.

*Dates of virtual events may switch.
Awards and Nominations

Huge congratulations to the following nominees and co-nominees who were honoured at the 2022 Congress in Putrajaya, Malaysia.

**IBBY iRead Outstanding Reading Promoter: Zohreh Ghaeni**
IBBY Canada co-nominated Zohreh Ghaeni for her work with Read With Me (Iran), a project where the main objective is to make quality books accessible to children who normally don’t have access to books, like street/working children, young adults or those living in remote and deprived areas of Iran. The project focuses on reading aloud, which aims to create a joyful experience for children, while intending to empower teachers, librarians and volunteers in remote areas, through training workshops and regular mentoring.

**IBBY Asahi Reading Promotion Award: Ilitaqsiniq – Nunavut Literacy Council.** Intergenerational and Family Literacy Initiatives is one of Ilitaqsiniq’s main pillars of work. Pinnguaqta, the organization’s inclusive and culturally meaningful community-based early childhood education program, which IBBY Canada nominated for the IBBY-Asahi Reading Promotion Award, is designed around Inuit societal values. These values support and encourage parents and caregivers in the development of life, literacy and essential skills in their infant and preschool children in preparation for formalized education.
Awards and Nominations

Sydney Smith
Shortlisted Illustrator
Hans Christian Andersen Award 2022
Awards and Nominations

2022 Honour List

Illustration

Julie Flett, *Birdsong* (Greystone Kids, 2019)

French – Text


Translation – English to French

Madeleine Stratford, *Pilleurs de rêve*, a translation of *The Marrow Thieves* by Cherie Dimaline (Éditions Boreal, 2019)
Current Selections and Nominations

2023 Silent Book Selections

on their way to Lampedusa ...

Blanket
Storyline and illustrations by Ruth Ohi
(Groundwood Books, 2022)

Whirl
Storyline by Deborah Kerbel
Illustrated by Josée Bisaillon
(Owlkids Books, 2022)
Current Selections and Nominations

Selections for the 2023 Outstanding Books for Young People with Disabilities list, which premiered at the Bologna Children’s Book Fair in early March.

The Disability Experience: Working Toward Belonging
Written by Hannalora Leavitt
Illustrated by Belle Wuthrich
(Orca Book Publishers, 2021)

Living with Viola
Written and illustrated by Rosena Fung
(Annick Press, 2021)

Pourquoi pas?
Written by Mylène Viens
(Éditions David, 2021)

A Sky-Blue Bench
Written by Bahram Rahman
Illustrated by Peggy Collins
(Pajama Press, 2021)
Current Selections and Nominations

Ten finalists for the 2022 Elizabeth Mrazik-Cleaver Canadian Picture Book Award

Lucie Crovatto
Le sablier de Papijo
Written by Roxane Turcotte
Dominique et compagnie

Nathalie Dion
Kumo: The Bashful Cloud
Written by Kyo Maclear
Tundra Books

Terry Fan and Eric Fan
Lizzy and the Cloud
Written by Terry Fan and Eric Fan
Simon & Schuster Canada

Julie Flett
Still This Love Goes On
Written by Buffy Sainte-Marie
Greystone Kids

Matthew Forsythe
Mina
Written by Matthew Forsythe
Simon & Schuster Canada

Dorothy Leung
When the Wind Came
Written by Jan Andrews
Kids Can Press

Carmen Mok
When I Listen to Silence
Written by Jean E. Pendziwol
Groundwood Books

Dena Seiferling
Night Lunch
Written by Eric Fan
Tundra Books

Esmé Shapiro
My Self, Your Self
Written by Esmé Shapiro
Tundra Books

Sid Sharp
The Wolf Suit
Written by Sid Sharp
Annick Press
AMM Announcements

The following announcements will be made on April 1, 2023 at the AMM

• Winners of the Claude Aubry Award
• Winner and honour books for the Elizabeth Mrazik-Cleaver Canadian Picture Book Award
• Recipient of the Frances E. Russell Grant
Current Selections and Nominations

2023 Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award Nominee

One of Canada’s most beloved and widely recognized authors, and a recipient of the Order of Canada, Robert Munsch has had a long and successful career as the prolific author of nearly 100 books for children. His books have sold more than 82 million copies in North America, and have been published in 31 territories and 45 languages, including 20 Indigenous languages and dialects.

Recently, Munsch has celebrated key milestones relating to his best-known titles. The 40th anniversary of The Paper Bag Princess (Annick Press) was marked in 2020, and 2021 was the 35th anniversary of Love You Forever (Firefly Books). This year marks the 25th anniversary of Munsch publishing with Scholastic Canada with the release of Leaves!
Current Selections and Nominations

2024 Hans Christian Andersen Award Nominees

Illustrator nominee Sydney Smith’s picture books have received wide critical acclaim in Canada and abroad, having been translated into 20 languages and garnered many honours. He has twice won the Governor General’s Literary Award for Young People’s Literature — Illustrated Books: Small in the City in 2019 and Sidewalk Flowers in 2015, a book that also had 4,000 copies distributed to Syrian refugee families in Canada through a special project with IBBY Canada and the Department of Canadian Heritage. In 2018, he was awarded CILIP’s Kate Greenaway Medal for Town Is by the Sea.

Author nominee Angèle Delaunois has 100 books to her credit with several publishers in Quebec and Europe. She is the founder and director of Éditions de l’Isatis. Her books have been translated into more than 10 languages and received prestigious honours including the Governor General’s Literary Award for Young People’s Literature — Text, which she won for Variations sur un même «t’aime» in 1998.
2022 Programming and Special Project Highlights

Reading with Newcomer Children

Virtual reading session continued in 2022 with volunteers from coast-to-coast reading with children in the GTA—and, in the fall, we were thrilled to return to in-person reading with COSTI and Christie Refugee Centre. To celebrate all the readers who participated in the program during the pandemic—and to celebrate the return to in-person reading, we hosted an appreciation event for agencies, children, families and all the volunteers.

Thank you to authors beloved by the program Nadia L. Hohn, Barbara Reid and Senneh Yee for reading to us at this very special event.

Thank you to parent Wafa Chenouti for sharing her appreciation for the program:

“When we first came to Ontario, my daughter spoke and understood very little English and her brother didn’t understand or speak a word of English. They couldn’t make friends or participate in any activity because of the lockdown, which impacted negatively their confidence and their sociability. I was in desperate need of any activity that could help them. The Reading with Newcomer Children program did a wonderful job pairing them with amazing volunteers to whom I owe a tremendous thank-you. The volunteers helped my kids be more confident in their learning process, enjoy reading, and develop their love for stories. I saw my little boy—who was not able to respond when he got asked “how are you?”—read a whole book by himself… and talk about his interests with confidence. They developed a bilingual program to help him in his learning journey, and today he enjoys reading in both languages.”
Another absolute highlight for 2022, was the launch of a new brand—and kid-friendly swag, including the bookmark below, for Reading with Newcomer Children; all thoughtfully designed by Minal Khakar, who beautifully captured the warm and joy of the program. Follow Minal on Instagram @mkdesignone.
As part of International Children’s Book Day 2022 celebrations—and in keeping with IBBY’s mandate of bringing book and children together—IBBY Canada was delighted to raise funds and donate three sets of the Indigenous Picture Book Collections to Esgenoopetij School (New Brunswick), Fishing Lake Métis Settlement (Alberta) and Whitehorse Public Library (Yukon).

IBBY Canada board members, Lorisia MacLeod, Patti McIntosh and Colette Poitras, worked on the development initiative—and recommended the selection of libraries serving Indigenous communities to the IBBY Canada board.

In speaking to the value of this project, Colette Poitras notes: Early literacy is critically important for school readiness and can promote the caregiver/child bond. Unfortunately, children’s libraries in Indigenous communities may face many barriers—one of the foremost being lack of funding.
2022 Programming and Special Project Highlights

2022 Joanne Fitzgerald Illustrator in Residence

The Joanne Fitzgerald Illustrator in Residence program continues to grow with almost 1000 attendees at the events, presentations and workshops during the 2022 program!

The 2022 Illustrator in Residence was Sandra Dumais. Sandra was raised in Toronto and has lived in Montreal for almost 20 years. She creates her illustrations using pencils, gouache, digital collage, and acrylic paint. Sandra is bilingual, and English and French publishers have published her books: Les Oui-dire (Fonfon), The Fossil Whisperer (Kids Can Press), Bob le Bobo (La courte échelle), Simone sous les Ronces (Fonfon) / Olivia Wrapped in Vines (Orca Book Publishers), and the junior graphic novel series Crimes à la Ferme (La courte échelle) / Farm Crimes (Owlkids Books). Sandra began her career as a graphic designer, and since 2013 has worked mainly as an illustrator. In 2020 and 2021, she was awarded Quebec’s Prix des Libraires. CBC Arts covered her daily comic, Staying In, documenting the first 100 days of the global pandemic. In her free time, Sandra wanders the parks and alleys of Montreal with her family and their rescue dog, and paints at the Pointe-Saint-Charles Art School.

Sandra presented to seven elementary school art workshops in-person at Toronto Public Library’s North Central Library—the 2022 program’s only in-person elements.

Most of the 2022 program was online: 11 elementary school workshops, two high school/college presentations, four adult sessions, 27 portfolio reviews, and the launch.

Sandra also made a presentation to IBBY Dominican Republic—our second international presentation—as Soyeon Kim did in 2021.
From Sea to Sea: Celebrating Indigenous Picture Books, 3rd Edition, featuring the best illustrated picture books published between mid-to-late 2020 and mid-to-late 2022 will launch with virtual and in-person celebrations, with very special guests, planned over 2023 and 2024. As well, there will a special edition of the IBBY Canada newsletter featuring authors and illustrators in the collection.

We also look forward to continuing the books-to-libraries initiative, donating three sets of the collection, to libraries serving Indigenous children and families.

Planning work will continue on:

**Sharing the Best Illustrated Caribbean Children’s Books**
A collaboration between IBBY Canada and IBBY Dominican Republic—and inspired by our twinning with IBBY Dominican Republic and our Joanne Fitzgerald Illustrator in Resident workshop—this exhibition, planned for 2024, will showcase the best 25 illustrated children’s books from five Caribbean countries and territories that will appeal to the diaspora—and all international children’s booklovers.

**NNELS Project: Promoting Accessibility in IBBY Lists**
A collaboration with National Network for Library Service, we are working to create—and promote—an IBBY list of accessible titles including books from:
- 2021 Silent Books Collection
- 2022 Elizabeth Mrazik-Cleaver Canadian Picture Book Award
- 2022 IBBY Honour List
- 2023 Collection of Books for Young People with Disabilities

**Promotions focused on French Canada**
We will continue to work on our promotions focussed on French Canada with distribution of a promotional video featuring Josiane Polidori, 2nd Vice-President. As well, the French content on the IBBY Canada website will be updated shortly.

And, in 2023, our planning work will continue on Congress 2026 in Ottawa...
Congress 2026:
Listening to Each Other’s Voices

Congress 2026 Reminder

Date: August 19-23, 2026
Location: Ottawa
Theme:
- Écouter la voix de l’autre
- Pizindàdidà Ekidong
- Listening to Each Other’s Voices

Congress planning was embedded throughout our board committee work in 2022 with significant work completed in budgeting and performance benchmarking, fundraising and sponsorship planning, as well as in programming and communications planning. (We can’t wait to welcome the world at Trieste in 2024!)

Building on this groundwork, we look forward to growing committees in 2023—and engaging accounting and legal counsel.

We look forward to reporting at the AMM:
- Congress 2026 chairs and committee chairs to date
- Major milestones for programming
- Areas to get involved in 2023
The IBBY Canada board remains stable for 2023/2024 with all board members whose terms are up for renewal (*) putting their names forward for a second term.

Over the course of 2023/2024 we will be recruiting for two executive committee positions: Treasurer and 1st Vice-President.

**Executive Committee**

Patti McIntosh, President
*Marcela Mangarelli, 1st Vice-President
*Josiane Polidori, 2nd Vice-President
Yvette Ghione, Treasurer

**Directors**

Helena Aalto, Membership Secretary
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Stéphanie Boyer, Promotions Officer (French)
Lesley Clement, Regional Councillor Ontario
Meghan Howe, Liaison, Canadian Children’s Book Centre
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# Treasurer's Report

Operating account balance at January 1, 2022 was 17,513.84

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**NOTES**
- Cleaner + IFR admin fees, and Cleaner card + IFR poster sales
- Op-to-Cleaver transfers of 2022 + prior year fees; 2022 award
- Russell-to-Ops transfer for 2022 + prior year grants Jan2023
- 2021 expenses cleared Jan2022
- Transfers: balance of 2021 + Jan–Nov 2022 donations
- IBBY Dominican Republic 2022 dues were covered by another org
- "New IBBY initiative soliciting publisher support"

**Comments on Finance**

A reminder that this report reflects cash basis accounting (vs. accrual, which we use in our bookkeeping for the financial statement)—this is simply a summary of the money that flowed in and out of the Operating account in 2022. Carryover prior-year expenses that cleared early in 2022 or income that didn’t clear until early 2023 (flagged in the Notes) distort the picture here. Backing out those carryover expenses and adjusting for pending income, the totals would be significantly closer: $40,166 in credits and $40,589 in debits.

Membership and donation income have remained relatively steady, and efforts continue to bolster engagement in these areas, as well as in sponsorship and fundraising and the pursuit of grant opportunities—particularly around specific events, initiatives and/or programs—to broaden our support base.