



ALBERTA LIBRARY

TRUSTEES' ASSOCIATION

May 25th, 2015

The Honourable Rachel Notley
Premier, President of Executive Council
Office of the Premier
Executive Branch
307 Legislature Building
10800 - 97 Avenue
Edmonton, AB, T5K 2B6

Dear Premier Notley,

The Alberta Libraries Trustee Association is delighted to extend our congratulations on your appointment as our new Premier of Alberta.

The Alberta Library Trustees Association (“ALTA”) is the collective voice for library trustees and we build trustee’s capacity through education, leadership, communication, partnerships and collaboration. Founded in 1971, we represent the library boards and trustees that govern public libraries in Alberta. We serve over 2400 volunteer library trustees across Alberta who provide governance to over 165 library boards across the province.

We believe that library services are essential to the quality and standard of life of Albertans and vital to the education, social and cultural development of the province.

As you know, the Public Library Services Branch (PLSB) is part of the Corporate Strategic Services Division of Municipal Affairs. The Branch provides policy, planning and administrative expertise required to develop and maintain provincial legislation related to public library service. It is also accountable to the Minister for ensuring library board compliance with the [Libraries Act](#) and [Libraries Regulation](#). There are seven regional library system boards and the Edmonton and Calgary library boards established under the [Libraries Act](#) in areas related to legislation and management of public library service. We enjoy a very collaborative and sustainable relationship with the PLSB from who we receive partial funding.

We look forward to working together to continue a strong tradition of providing some of the best library services in the country.

Sincerely,

Laura Ross-Giroux,
President
Alberta Library Trustees Association