

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT 2007/2008

(prepared for AGM May 5, 2008)

There are currently one hundred and eighty-five NSIS exchange partners. Two institutions, University of Utah and The Royal Irish Academy, cancelled their exchange program with us over the past year. The number of institutional members has increased by one and is now at twenty-eight. Invoices were sent out in January 2008 for institutional memberships and to date we have received payment for twenty-one renewals.

In October 2007 volume 44 part 1, of the *Proceedings of the Nova Scotian Institute of Science* was mailed to exchange partners and institutional members. In addition, we also did the mailing to personal members. Postal charges for distribution of the printed journal cost the Institute \$1,317.74 in 2007/08.

The *Flora of Nova Scotia* by A.E. Roland was reprinted for a second time in the summer of 2007 in the one-volume format with spiral binding. One hundred copies were printed and the price remains at \$35.00. Sales of past volumes of the *Proceedings* during 2007/2008 generated \$477.50 in revenue. (See Appendix A (attached) for details.)

The Librarian submitted the required forms to Access Copyright for the 2007 repertoire payment to publishers. A cheque in the amount of \$664.56 was received.

During the summer of 2007 volume 1, 1863-1866 and volume 2, 1867-70 of the *Proceedings of the Nova Scotian Institute of Science* were digitized and made available online through a digital initiative in the Dalhousie University Libraries. These volumes were deposited in DalSpace and can be viewed at <http://dalspace.dal.ca/dspace> and clicking on the Institutional Repository Pilot Project link. There are plans to continue this digitization project and volume 3 (1871-1874) to volume 8 (1890-1894) will be worked on during the summer of 2008.

Michelle Paon, a librarian from Killam Library at Dalhousie University who is Chair of the Institutional Repository Committee, gave a demonstration at the December 2007 meeting of NSIS Council of DalSpace and access to the digitized content of volumes 1 and 2 of the Proceedings.

The Provincial Legislative Librarian was contacted to ensure that the Act which incorporates the Nova Scotian Institute of Science in 1890 is not covered by copyright and can be posted on the Institute's website. It was determined that there are no copyright restrictions, so the Act has been scanned and added to the website.

Publications continue to be received regularly from our 185 active exchange partners and this material is added on an ongoing basis to the collection.

I would like to thank Carol Richardson and the Serials Department staff in the Killam Library who ensure that the NSIS Library operations continue to function smoothly.

Respectfully submitted
 Sharon Longard
 NSIS Librarian
 April 11, 2008

Librarian's Report Appendix A

Sales of Proceedings May 2007 – March 2008

Qty	Date	Issue	Price
1	May 31, 2007	v.34, pt. ¾, 1984	\$10.00 + \$2.50 shipping & handling = \$12.50
1	June 20, 2007	v.29, pt. 4, 1979	\$7.50
1	June 20, 2007	v.30, pt. 1, 1980	\$7.50 + \$2.50 shipping & handling = \$17.50
10	July 2007	The Flora of Nova Scotia	\$35.00 x 10=\$350.00
1	August 21, 2007	The Flora of Nova Scotia	
1	August 21, 2007	v. 23 pt. 1	\$35.00 + \$5.00 + \$5.00 shipping & handling = \$45.00
1	October 10, 2007	v.42, pt. 2	\$15.00 + \$2.50 shipping & handling = \$17.50
1	March 7, 2008	The Flora of Nova Scotia	\$35.00
			Total \$477.50