



Update

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY @ AREA ASSOCIATIONS 2016

One of the key priorities of the LGLA Board has been to build strong relationships with all five of the BC Area Associations. We serve the same delegates across the province and have many of the same interests at heart, so it behooves us to work together to ensure that local elected officials receive all the necessary training and support they require throughout the their terms of office.

While the LGLA annual Leadership Forum brings together delegates from all around the province, it is not always feasible for representatives of the various regions to make their way to the Lower Mainland. The LGLA Board sought to extend its reach to the regions this year and was able to sponsor and hold sessions at the spring conferences of the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC), the Southern Interior Local Government Association (SILGA), and the Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA).

Dr. Michael Shoop brought his interactive Conflict Engagement and Communication workshop to both AVICC and LMLGA, and SILGA attendees were able to take in a presentation on the new Bylaw Enforcement Guide developed by the Ombudsperson's Office and a session on Ethical Issues for Elected Officials delivered by lawyer Olga Rivkin of Bull Housser.

In addition to these presentations, delegates to the Area Associations may have noticed an LGLA Certification flyer – either in their delegate bag or at their registration table. LGLA is pleased to have the support of all five of the Area Associations in conveying information about the LGLA Certificate Program to elected officials, especially in light of time spent at the spring conferences counting towards LGLA certification.

We congratulate the Area Associations on a successful spring conference season and we look forward to continued work and partnership building with our AKBLG, AVICC, LMLGA, NCLGA and SILGA colleagues in the months to come.

