

49th Annual General Meeting 16 July 2018



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Singapore Book Council Celebrating 50 Years

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 16th JULY 2018

- Date: 16th July 2018, Monday
- Time: 6.30pm

Venue: Singapore Book Council 90 Goodman Road , Bik E #03-32 Goodman Arts Centre Singapore 439053

AGENDA - 49th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- 1 Chairperson's Welcome Address
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- 6 Administrative Matters
 - a. Staff Changes
 - b. Incorporation of CLG/ IPC Status
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7 Any Other Business

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Executive Director

Minutes of the 48th Annual General Meeting 14 July 2017

Minutes of 48th Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the 48th Annual General Meeting of the National Book Development Council of Singapore, held on Friday 14 July 2017 at the Pod, National Library Building, at 6:30 pm.

Members Present;

Ms Claire Chiang, Chairperson (ExCo Member), Distinguished Individual Member

Mr Chua Hong Koon, Vice Chairperson (ExCo Member), Individual Member, World Scientific Pte Ltd

Ms Lim Li Kok, Immediate Past Chairperson, (ExCo Member), Individual Member, Asiapac Books Pte Ltd

Mrs Klang-Koh Lai Lin, Honorary Secretary, (ExCo Member), Individual Member, National Library Board

Mr Leo Vincent, Honorary Treasurer, (ExCo Member), Individual Member, Advance Library Services Pte Ltd

Ma Evelyn 5 Wong, (ExCo Member), Individual Member, Consultant & Writer

Mr Melvin Choo Von Shan, [ExCo Member], Alkem Publishing Pte Ltd, S8PA Representative

Ms Jennifer Yin, (ExCo Member), Individual Member, National Heritage Board

Mr R Thuraimanikam, (ExCo Momber), Association of Singapore Tamil Writers, Representative

Dr Gwee Li Sul, Individual Member, Writer

Mr Johnson Paul, Individual Member, Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore

Ms Coonoor Eripalani, Individual Member, Freelance Writer

Ms Shova Loh, Individual Member, The Straits Times Press Pte Ltd Ms Samantha Ang, Library Association of Singapore, Representative

Mrs Thevamani Prem Kumar, Singapore Indian Development Association, Representative

Ms Cher Sen Kaek, Singapore Polytechnic Library, Representative

Ms Low Siew Lee Irene, National Trades Union Congress, Representative

Mr Thomas Low, Singapore Teachers Union, Representative

Ms Kam Mi-Kyeong, National University of Singapore, Representative

Ms Yeo Meng Choo, Ngee Ann Polytechnic, Representative

Mden Sharifah Sakinah Ali Alkaff, Yayasan Mendaki, Representative

Mr Francis Ho Yeng Chow, Chinese Development Assistant Council, Representative

Mr Paul Wee, The Copyright Licensing and Admin Society of Singapore Ltd, Representative

Dr Ng Chiew Hong, Society for Reading and Liberacy, Representative

Mr Frank Daniel, Print & Media Association, Representative

Mrs Anne Dhanaraj, Singapore Science Centre, Représentative

Mr Hoinull Amri Tahiran, Angkatan Sastorawan'50 (Association of 50's Malay Writers), Representative

Mr Tan Meng Wee, Society of Singapore Writers, Representative

Ms Wong Yeang Lam Ruth, Individual Member, National Institute of Education

Dr Bibl Ayyub, Individual Member

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Ms Betty Tan, Singapore Book Publishers Association, Representative

Mr Suryadi Bajuri, Angkatan Sastcrawan'50 (Association of 50's Malay Writers), Representative

Mr Edward Llew, Society of Singapore Writers, representative

Absent with Apologies

Ma Valerie Cheng, (ExCo Member), National Library Board, Representative

Mrs Ho Mul Huay, Temasek Polytechnic Library, Representative

Mr Denon Lim, Singapore Association of Writers, Representative

Ms Dumeen Shahnaz, Individual Member, Impact Investment Exchange & Shujog

Dr Patricia Wong May Lynn, National Institute of Education, Representative

Ms Koh Just Musy, (ExCo Member), Individual Member, The Little Blue Dot

Mr David Chua, People's Association, Representative

Mr Gerry de Silva, The Eurasian Association, Representative 50

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Ms Ng Bee Hoon, The Reading Development. Association (S), Representative

Mdm Lim Geok Leng, Singapore Chinese Publishers Association, Representative

NBDCS Staff Present:

Mr R Ramachandran, Executive Director Mr Kenneth Quek, Director Ms Elizabeth Chew, Director Mr Carlo Venson Peña, Assistant Director Ms Vasantha Devi, Admin and Finance Manager

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1	Walcome Remarks to Members Present at the AGM	Action by
1.1	Kenneth welcomed the attending members to the annual general meeting and introduced the Chairperson, who in turn delivered a short welcome remark to the assembly.	-
1.2	She acknowledged that it was the first time the AGM was held at the Pod, and there were several discussion points that needed to be covered by the meeting. She added that the next 3-5 years will be exciting for Book Council given its upcoming 50 th anniversary in 2018.	
2	Approval of the Minutes of the 46 th Annual General Meeting	a de la constante
2.1	The Chairperson asked if there were any queries related to the minutes before calling for the approval of the minutes of the 47 th Annual General Meeting.	
2.2	There being no queries, the Chairperson considered the minutes as read and accepted. The members then approved the minutes.	
	Proposer: Mdm Sharifah Sakinah Ali Alkaff Seconder: Mr Jahnson Paul	
3	Matters Arising from the Minutes	
11	The Chairperson called onto Kenneth to discuss matters arising from the previous minutes.	
3.2	To this Kenneth informed the assembly that there were no matters arising from the last AGM.	
4	Highlights of the Annual Report	Statistics of a
4,1	Kenneth then proceeded to discuss the highlights of the annual report:	
4.2	 Staff Changes A new Director for Marketing had joined Book Council, in the person of Elizabeth Chew. Her role encompasses Marketing, Branding, and Outreach. 	
4,3	 Volunteers Book Council recognised long serving volunteers at AFCC's Celebrating Our stars. These volunteers have come back year after year to help Book Council with its events. 	
4.4	 AFCC 2017 Minister Grace Fullaunched the 8th AFCC in 2017, and in addition to the usual conference programmes for writers, illustrators, teachers, and parents, there was the second Writers and illustrators' Retreat held in Bintan Angsana. 	

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	b. There was also the first ever Edu-tour, where participants were brought to a local kindergarten and a local primary school to learn about their literacy and reading programmes.
	c. This year, Indonesia was the AFCC country of focus, which coincided with the S0 th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Singapore and indonesia. AFCC was also considered one of the key programmes commemorating this relationship under RISING 50, and Foreign Minister Vivian Balakrishnan and the Indonesian Ambassador Ngurah Swajaya both came to Indonesia Night. Book Council published two bilingual picture books to commemorate the event, as well as a collection of papers from AFCC 2016.
	4. All Init Young Writers Festival
	 The festival held its 9th edition at a new venue, SCAPE, which was also a key programme partner for 2017
	b. Significant to note this year, he added, was the support of the National Youth Council; an increase in number of collaborating partners who provided speakers; and the All In Fringe which included film screenings from the National Youth Film Awards, student performances, book talks, and a film exhibition.
	c. All Init also published 2 publications: YouthSpeak, a collection of student essays; and All Init Snack Fiction anthology, a collection of 18 new short stories, both by 13-25 year olds.
	5. AFCC Asian Children's Book Award
	a. AFCC Launched a new biannual award for the best children's book published in Asia, called the Asian Children's Book Award. This year, the award was supported by Genting Singapore.
	b. 245 entries were received from 25 Asian countries, the highest number of entries for any Book Council eward to date.
	c. The prize was won by Singaporean author Adeline Foo and Philippine illustrator Beth Parrocha.
8	6. Buy SingLit
	 Book Council was appointed to provide secretariat services for NAC's Buy SingLit Project last February. This involved working with 30 partners to oversee 40

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	programmes leading up to and during one weekend in February.
	b. More than 23,000 people took part in the events spread out across Singapore, in many different venues, including bookstores; mails like Vivocity, Raffles City, Plaza Singaporic and other locations like Gillman Barracks and Goodman Arts Centre.
	c. Book Council managed this industry-led initiative, comprising publishers, booksellers, distributors, literary non-profits, and supported by NAC to get the general public more aware of SingLit, and to buy it. He added that Council will still manage the programme in 2018.
4.8	 Other Collaborations Book Council continued to collaborate with MOE on the Mother Tongue Language Symposium; and with NHB and the language councils on Bulan Bahasa, Chinese Language Month, and Tamil Language Festival.
	b. The Lee Kuan Yew Fund for 8ilingualism also supported the Council's AFCC Fun with Languages events which were schedule over 4 weekends this year.
5	Audited Financial Statements
5.1	Kenneth invited the Honorary Treasurer Mrs Klang-Koh Lai Lin to present her comments on the audited financial report.
5.2	Mrs Klang highlighted the increase of \$800,000 in income compared to the previous Financial Year (FY), citing the major grant from NAC, as well as sponsorships from Samsung, Genting Singapore and the NAC's grant for the Singapore Literature Prize. Several outstanding grant payments from the previous FY had also been delayed and received during the FV reported.
5.3	She noted that a deferred income of \$292,000 which was a donation from book sales by the Chairperson since 2012 had been included in the income this financial year. This resulted in a surplus of \$143,503 reported.
5.4	The Chairperson added that part of its plans to trim overhead costs was outsourcing selected projects to outside freelancers, and putting hiring on hold for some staff positions that will be vacated within the year.

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5.5	She iterated that although spending for programmes was diligently prudent this year, all programmes would now be run at cost recovery. She added that the Council will also continue to strengthen courses for the Academy of Uterary Arts and Publishing, and will use the Council's new venue to increase income through venue rental.	
5.6	The Chairperson also put on record her commendations on the hard work that the management team has done given the little support that Council receives. She pointed out that income from grants and project monies were helpful to Council's goals of helping the industry, but that these were spent as quickly as they were received for the projects directly. Although Council was reasonably stable financially, she however mentioned that without donations, it could not do all that it has done in past years.	
5.7	She appealed to members to continually recommend potential funders and donors. With good programming, she mentioned, Book Council could attract more supporters.	
5.8	Nr Paul Wee enquired why the Council needed to pay fines, as mentioned in its statement of indirect expenditures. To this Kenneth mentioned that the fines were for late payment of CPF.	
5.9	There being no further comments and enquiries, the members approved the Audited Financial Statements Proposer: Mr Leo Vincent Seconder: Ms Jennifer Fin	
6	Executive Committee Matters	
6.1	The Chairperson called Mr Rama to discuss executive committee matters.	
6.2	Mr Rama presented key impacts that the Chairperson has brought to Book Council in recent years, highlighting her contribution to bringing in more funding, more connections and more key personalities to Book Council events and programmes.	
6.3	He then moved for the motion to consider extending the Chairperson's term of office for another 2 years, in line with the upcoming NBDCS 50 th anniversary in 2018. He added that by doing so, the Chairperson could then continue to do the needful for the Council without the hindrance of constitutional constraints.	
6.4	The members approved the motion to extend the Chairperson's term	

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7	123	Administrative Matters	123
7	1.	Mr Rama continued with the discussion on administrative matters.	
7	2	Company Limited by Guarantee Mr Rama proceeded to discuss the Council's initiative to transform Itself from a society to a company limited by guarantee (CLG). As a federation of associations, he lauded how the Council has served the industry well, starting with a meagre \$10,000 budget to its present day \$2 million, and from volunteer staff to a 10-person strong secretariat.	
7	3	He however mentioned that the Council's perennial weakness was its budget, and how its executive committee remained liable for Council matters.	
,	A	Part of the Book Council's attempt to modernise itself in time for its 50 th anniversary, and after deliberation among the Executive Committee, he then proceeded to share the intent to transform the Council from a society into a CLG. Additionally, he also sought the general members to authorise the Executive Committee to register 'Singapore Book Council' as a company.	
7	5	Once formed, he added that upon taking legal advice, all assets will be transferred to the new company and that NBDCS will then be dissolved accordingly.	
7	.6	The Chairperson then added that nothing will change in terms of engagement with the members, who will then be known as 'friends of the Book Council.' She added that as a CLG, Book Council will be more agile with lesser buneaucratic constraints.	
7	9	The Chairperson also added that the NAC has provided encouraging support for Book Council to pursue the transformation. With support from the general members, the Council will then proceed with the motion.	
7.		Dr Ng Chiew Hong enquired if the move to CLG was for the intent of profit-making, since the Council currently provided some free services and programmes. She further inquired if there would be any risk of bankruptcy for a CLG.	
7	9	The Chairperson clarified that the idea of converting to a CLG had been discussed by the ExCo for some time. She added that Council could not be profiting since most of its funding is still from grants. She cited that as in any organisation, CLGs and non-profits can still become insolvent if not managed well.	
7	.10	That said, she added that she was confident with the management team, having proven that they are driven by passion and not by profit. She iterated that it was time to give the Council a new spirit in line	

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	with its 50 th anniversary, and will start to proceed with the legalities upon endorsement of the members.	
.11	Mr Johnson Paul then asked about ownership and shareholders, and was unsure about being allowed to use 'Singapone' in the new CLG name. To this, the Chairperson highlighted that upon endorsement from members, Council will then start with the process involved in changing company names. She added that the legal structure of the CLG does not allow for shareholders.	
7.12	Dr Bibi Ayyub shared that many organisations have been transforming into CLGs, particularly due to issues of governance. She added that Council was in the right direction in choosing to become a CLG, to protect the people who serve in the Board.	
7.13	In principle, the Chairperson added that once the CLG had been formed, NBDCS will then be dissolved through the formal process required.	
7.14	Mr Paul Wee then suggested that a show of hands be done to confirm the members' support to the motion. The members then unanimously approved the motion to explore Council's transformation into a CLG.	
7.15	New Office Space Mr Rama proceeded to inform the members that Book Council will be moving into a bigger office by end-August, after having secured a 257sqm office space at the Goodman Arts Centre, under NAC's Rental Support Scheme.	
7.16	The Chairperson added that with the new space, Book Council could then pitch for more activities and gatherings at the new space. She added that the new space will also have a physical meeting space for authors and publishers.	
7.17	She then invited the members to the official office warming party on 20 October 2017.	Inform members of the office warming party
7.18	Funding Mr Rama asked the members to continue to introduce Book Council to more potential donors and sponsors, such as the Stephen Riady Foundation, who through the Chairperson, has pledged to donate a total of \$550,000 in the next 5 years.	
7.19	Staff Changes Mr Rama duly announced his retirement as Executive Director of Book Council, and of Kenneth assuming the role of Acting Executive Director. He then formally introduced Ms Elizabeth Chew as the Director of Marketing, having joined Council in early May. Promotions for several other staff were also announced.	

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7.20	He added that the promotions, together with their appending increments and benefits had been duly approved by the Chairperson. Furthermore, he said that the Chairperson had invited him to remain as adviser to the Council accordingly.	
7.21	Mr Rama iterated that with the new designations, the Book Council will be better positioned to meet the challenges for its next 50 years.	
8	Calendar of Events	
81	 Kenneth proceeded to present the Calendar of Events for 2017/2018. He highlighted several key events, including BookStreet@SMU on 8-10 September 2017, which is a new initiative held in partnership with the SMU Arts Festival Buy SingLit Project on 9-11 March 2018, of which Book Council was appointed as working secretariat managing an average of 40 programmes across Singapore All Ini Young Writers Festival on 16-18 March 2018, which will celebrate its 10th anniversary Auto/Biography Symposium in June 2018 Read-a-thon in July 2018, in partnership with the National Library Singapore Literature Prize in July 2018 Book Council 50th Anniversary Gala Dinner on 4 September 2018 Asian Festival of Children's Content on 4-9 September 2018. 	
8.2	The Chairperson added that the initiative to move AFCC to September was based on requests from teachers who shared that the new timing would be better for them to participate fully. She cited that the new dates will suite all parties' interests, and have been decided after consultation with NAC, NLB and other agencies, to ensure that there was something literary every season, without duplicating events.	
8.3	The Chairperson also added that strategic partnerships, such as that with SMU's Arts Festival that involves faculty and students, is significant for Council, given the small team.	
8.4	Kenneth added that new opportunities can be explore when Council moves to its new space. He also noted that Book Council's Academy of Literary Arts and Publishing will also save costs, since it will have its own training room.	
9	Proposed Budget - August 2017 to July 2018	
9.1	Kenneth then presented the proposed budget for the following year, highlighting key income and expenditures, citing that additional costs will be incurred in light of the renovation and costs for partitions for the new office space and training room.	

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2	The Chairperson iterated that transforming into a CLG would be an excellent idea for Book Council to build up and improve literature in Singapore and beyond.	
13	Mr Paul Wee pointed out that as Council, being dependent on grants and donations, it should ensure that staff income would not be based on the amount of grants it neceives. He suggested that this be given serious consideration. He further enquired about the projected cost under the line item 'bad debts' and asked what the item was for.	
9.4	To these, the Chairperson mentioned that balancing the budget has always been a perennial struggle for Council, but highlighted that compared to 20 years ago, the Council has more support now. She added that as the corporate world in Singapore is too small, pockets intended for donations have become smaller, and more organisations are learning to be smarter in sourcing for funding.	
9.5	She iterated the goal for the management team to see it as a career to be in the Council.	
9.6	As for the bad debts, Kenneth shared that the amount was a projection for non-payment of ALAP courses by attendees.	
9.7	There being no other comments, the members approved the proposed budget for 2017/2018.	
	Proposer: Mr Poul Wee Seconder: Dr Bibl Ayyub	
10	Other Matters	開始ななのから
10.1	 Book Quotes Mr Rama shared that as Council was continuing to find ways to get support for its programmes, it is inviting its individual and institutional members to sponsor a book quote in the upcoming AFCC programme booklet. 	
10.2	Tagged at \$200/quote, he added that the list will be circulated among the members in the coming weeks. The Chairperson added that once a quote had been selected, the name of the individual/organisation will be placed alongside the selected quote in the booklet.	Marketing Director to note
10.3	 Dotation Wall Ms Cooncer Kripslani suggested that a wall with a plaque be placed in the new office space to entice sponsors to donate for the CounciFs renovation. She added that each quote/message written on the plaque could fetch up to \$5,000. 	Marketing Director to note
10.4	3. ALAP Dr Bibl Ayyub mentioned that for ALAP, the academy could explore having senior citizens signing up for any of its courses under the	

	SkillsFuture scheme. To this Kenneth mentioned that several ALAP courses have been submitted to the SkillsFuture organisers for consideration.	
10.5	4. 50 th Anniversary Celebration Kenneth reminded that for next year's 50 th anniversary, Book Council Intends to organise several events, including AFCC, Read-A-Thon, All In1, NBDCS Gala Dinner, and a dinner at the new space to kick off the year's celebration.	
10.6	The Chairperson invited the members to be part of the anniversary celebration, not just to provide links to potential funders, but for creative contributions as well. She added that Council was exploring similar collaborations with SBPA, book projects and cross-fertilisation of creative expressions.	
10.7	Ms Evelyn Wong mentioned that at AFCC 2018, Singapore was to be the country of focus, to coincide with the CounciFs 50 th anniversary, and that the programming committee was welcoming contributions to showcase the full spectrum of Singapore's publishing landscape.	
10.8	She added that AFCC had also recently launched a website to house the four past themed bibliographies. She mentioned that the next theme was robots/bechnology, and encouraged the members to suggest titles.	Carlo to send Themed Bibliography Website URL to members
20.9	There being no other matters raised, the meeting ended at 7.35pm.	

Recorded by: Carlo Venson Pella

Vetted by: Kenneth Quek

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Ms Claire Chiang Chairperson

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My Leo Vincent Honorary Secretary

Annual Report August 2017 -July 2018

1. Introduction

This past year saw significant changes at NBDCS, with a new office space at Goodman Arts Centre and new staff. A new company limited by guarantee. Singapore Book Council, has also been formed. SBC now has Charity and IPC status. NBDCS will be transitioning to SBC in 2018, and will be dissolved as a society.

This year is momentous for the Book Council as we are celebrating our 50th anniversary. We will mark the milestone in 2018 with a series of celebratory events, including the Singapore Literature Prize (SLP) in August, as well as the Asian Festival of Children's Content (AFCC) in September, AFCC will feature Singapore as the Country of Focus.

In terms of organisational structure, there are a number of key staff changes. The Book Council has a new Executive Director, William Phuan, who joined in March 2018, while a number of senior officers have left the organisation.

With the new ED at the helm, the Bock Council is ready to move into its next chapter of development and transform the organisation to meet the new challenges ahead.

2. Administrative

I. Executive Committee

The current Executive Committee* was elected during the Annual General Meeting in 2016 and comprises:

- Ms Claire Chiang, Chairperson Senior Vice President, Banyan Tree Holdings
- Mr Chua Hong Koon, Vice-Chairperson Publishing Director, World Scientific Publishing Company
- Mrs Kiang-Koh Lai Lin, Honorary Secretary Consultant, National Archives of Singapore, National Library Board
- Mr Leo Vincent, Honorary Treasurer Director, Advance Library Services

- Ms Lim Li Kok, Immediate Past Chairperson Managing Director, Asiapac Books
- Ms Evelyn S Wong, Member Author & Consultant

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- Dr Gwee Li Sul, Member Author
- Ms Jennifer Yin, Member
 Director of Volunteer Engagement Division, National Heritage Board
- Mr Melvin Choo, Member Director of Business Development & Projects, Alkem Company (representing Singapore Book Publishers Association)
- 10. Mr R Thuraimanikam, Member Vice President, Association of Tamil Writers (representing Association of Tamil Writers)
- Ms Valerie Cheng, Member Director of Content Services, National Library Board (representing National Library Board)

*Ms Koh Juat May [Author and Chief Alignment Officer, The Little Blue Dot Consultancy] resigned from ExCo as a Member in June 2017.

II. Subcommittees

The following are the subcommittees of the ExCo:

- 1. Audit, Funding and Finance Committee
- 2. Marketing and Social Media Committee
- 3. Programme and Services Committee
- 4. Community Outreach Committee

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5. Human Resources, Remuneration and Staff Appointment Committees

An ad-hoc committee to plan for the NBDCS 50th Anniversary in 2018 was also formed with the following members:

- Ms Claire Chiang
- Mr R Ramachandran
- Ms Evelyn Wong
- Ms Koh Juat Muay
- Mr Leo Vincent
- Mrs Kiang-Koh Lai Lin

Each of these committees met separately, either in person, or via email over the course of the year.

III. Executive Committee Meetings

The Council's Executive Committee meets regularly to review the Council's activities and programmes, and to provide advice and direction on future projects and festivals. In addition, the secretarial staff met with the Chairperson on several occasions at her office for detailed planning and updates.

3. New Initiatives

I. Training Room and Writers Lounge

At its new premises at GAC, the Book Council has set up two fully equipped spaces, Training Room and Writers Lounge, to organise to its own programmes and to cater to the needs of the literary arts sector. The Book Council now uses the Training Room to run its own training courses, workshops and talks. In addition, the Council rents out the room for external events, and the rental becomes another source of revenue for the organisation.

The Writers Lounge is a free space for writers of all genres to work and network. They only need to book a time and can use the workstation here for free. Writers and literary arts organisations can also use the lounge for small sharing sessions and talks.

The Council will ramp up its efforts to promote the spaces and explore more opportunities to partner with literary arts organisations and writers to organise events here.

4. <u>Staff</u>

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The Council currently employs a total of 7 full-time staff including:

- 1 Executive Director
- I Director (Marketing)
- 1 Assistant Director (Programmers)
- 1 Senior Manager (Admin & Finance)
- 1 Manager (Programmes)
- 1 Senior Executive
- 1 Executive (Programmes)

Please see below the new organisational chart.



In addition, the Council continues to employ interns, part-time staff and to outsource work in the following areas:

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- Website development and maintenance
- Technical support

5. AFCC Midstream Meeting

As AFCC celebrates Singapore as the Country of Focus this year, the Book Council organised an AFCC Midstream Meeting in March 2018, gathering local writers, illustrators, educators, publishers and practitioners for a discussion. The Book Council shared its upcoming plans for the festival with the industry partners, and gathered ideas, recommendations and feedback from them.

AFCC will run from 6 to 8 Sep 2018 at the National Library.

Festivals August 2017 -July 2018

6. Festivals

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I. All In! Young Writers Festival

16-18 March 2018

The All Ini Young Writers Festival is an annual festival for aspiring writers between the ages of 13 and 25. The gathering brings together a wide array of writing mentors and industry players in various fields including publishing, broadcasting, blogging, screenwriting journalism and advertising to meet and share their expertise with today's young writers.

All Init celebrated its 10th anniversary this year, and it was held at "SCAPE for the second time, who was the festival's key partner and venue sponsor. The roster of sessions for 2018 were divided into four tracks: Creative Writing, Media, School-Related, and Singapore-Focused. Running from 16 to 18 March over three days, the festival top-billed seminar-interactions, capsule trainings, workshops, fringe activities and youth content on varied fields of interest, with the objective of inspiring the next generation of writers to become even more involved in writing.

A total of 761 delegates, guests and speakers participated this year. The festival was supported by the National Arts Council as an Art Education Programme (AEP), where schools could use the Tote Board Arts Grant to receive up to 50% subsidy on Festival ticket costs. All InI 2018 featured 143 speakers and moderators across over 70 activities, including 42 panel discussions, 16 workshops/masterclass, 11 fringe activities, a BookStreet fair comprising six publishers and vendors, and an exhibition featuring both poetry and photography.

For the first time, All init also convened its very own programme committee of young writers and editors, who suggested programming and speakers for the Festival. The festival also featured a mobile app game, and a QR-based feedback form. In addition, the festival collaborated with the Singapore Kindness Movement (SKM) on organising a full day of six workshops that focused on creative writing, poetry and illustration,

Highlights of All Inl

a. Programming

All Ini 2018 featured a total of 58 seminars and panel discussions, capsule training sessions, workshops, and masterclasses, as well as 11 fringe activities and a poetry-cum-photography exhibition.

- i. Seminars And Panel Discussions: The topics covered a wide, diverse range – from snackable fiction, fashion and lifestyle writing to documentary writing, creative advocacy, short story writing, young adult fiction, comedic writing, poetry and photography, developing stories for AR/VR and writing socially-relevant content. More than 150 speakers and moderators were featured in these sessions.
- I. Fringe Activities: There were 11 fringe activities held over the weekend, including performances, book launches, and film discussions. In addition, Poetry Festival Singapore supported a visual exhibition called Lens and Lines, featuring a fusion of poetry and photography. Programme partner Barterli provided a book swap activity, while IT company FromLabs created a mobile app game that was played throughout the festival.

b. Competitions

All Ini held five pre-festival competitions for 2018: the 55-Word Fiction Competition, the 10-Word Story Competition; the YOUTHspeak Essay Competition; the All Ini Snack Fiction Anthology; and the All Ini Young Short Filmmakers Exhibition. The festival received almost 750 submissions in all across the five competitions. Please see below the breakdown of submissions received for each competition:

Competition	Submissions Received (2018)
55-Word Fiction Competition	323 (32 schools)
10-Word Story Competition	347 (35 schools)
YOUTHspeak Essay Competition	24 (7 schools)
Snack Fiction Competition	44 (18 schools)
All In! Short Filmmakers Exhibition	4 (3 schools)

This year's winners for 55-Word came from Naval Base Secondary School and SIM International School, while 10-Word's winner was from the National University of Singapore. The winning essay for YOUTHspeak came from Tanjong Katong Girls' School, and would be featured in the highlights of the magazines. Asian Geographic and Unseen Magazine.

The winning works from the 10-Word, 55-Word and YOUTHspeak publications would be published online in April 2018 via the portal issuu.com (https://issuu.com/alin_singapore). The All InI Snack Fiction Anthology was scheduled to be published online end of 2018.

The festival's media partners AUGUSTMAN Singapore and Symbol Magazine also launched writing competitions alongside AII ini 2018, whose winners were published on their online portals. These young writers were provided free tickets to the festival as part of their prize.

Snopshots from All Inl 2018



Witter/educator Laremy Lee's keynole speech and his use of \$2.do were one of the highlights on the first day of the conference.



Sessions on content editing and similar panel discussions were popular with delegates this year.



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Documentaries were a hit with delegates this year, especially those that featured tilmmakers Sumithra Prasanna and Prabhu Silvam.



Both the poetry workshop by Deborah Emmanuel and the creative writing workshop on Sunday were at full capacity.



The Noose's Chua Eniai and Prem Anand opened the morning sessions with a panel on the award-winning TV show.

The panel on designing content for games. AR and VR was also quite popular among delegates this year.



Students from Singapore Polytechnic, whose work got picked up by Toggle, shared about their writing and production experience.



The panel on how youths perceive what writing out to be altracted both budding and seasoned authors alke.

Awards August 2017 July 2018

7. Awards

a. Hedwig Anuar Children's Book Award 2018 (HABA)

The Hedwig Anuar Children's Book Award (HABA) is presented biennially to an outstanding children's book written by a Singapore citizen or Permanent Resident. The prize carries a cash award of \$10,000, which is to be shared by the writer and the illustrator. Should the book be a translation, the award will be shared equally between the writer, illustrator, and translator. In addition, the writer/ illustrator/ translator will each receive a plaque.

The next HA8A will be announced at AFCC 2018. Books published from 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2017 are eligible. We received 65 entries.

b. Scholastic Asian Book Awards 2018 (SABA)

The Scholastic Asian Book Award (SABA) is a joint initiative between the Book Council and Scholastic Asia. To promote Asian experiences and expression in creative and innovative forms, this award recognises writers of Asian origin whose manuscripts have the potential to share uniquely Asian experiences of life, spirit, and thinking with the rest of the world. The award will be presented at AFCC 2018. We received 60 entries.

c. Singapore Literature Prize 2018 (SLP)

This biennial competition is open to Singapore citizens and Permanent Residents whose works of fiction, poetry, and creative non-fiction have been published in Singapore or abroad in any of Singapore's four official languages — English, Chinese, Malay, or Tamil.

The shortlist for SLP 2018 was announced at a press conference on 19 Jun 2018. Fifty shortlisted authors and their books are in the running for Singapore's top literary prize. Awards in 12 categories will be given out at an awards ceremony on 6 Aug 2018. For the first time in SLP's history, the public can attend the ceremony via free registration and take part in the proceedings.

Among the 50 shortlisted writers this year, 32 are nominated for the first time. The biennial award attracted a total of 172 eligible submissions from across the

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different genres and languages. There were 43 submissions in the Chinese categories; 91 in English; 16 in Malay and 22 in Tamil, The poetry category received a total of 50 submissions; creative nonfiction had 66; and fiction 56.

To promote SLP and showcase the writers, SBC will be organising a series of outreach events. One of the events is a special display of all the SLP-winning titles at the National Library. Running from 16 Jul to 8 Sep 2018 at the Lee Kong. Chian Reference section on level 9 of the library, the exhibition "Celebrating Our Writers: The Journey of the Singapore Literature Prize" will trace the development of the prize vis-à-vis SBC's own history.

Furthermore, shortlisted writers will be featured in public talks at local bookstores, schools, as well as the National Library as part of Read! Fest in July, SBC is also launching the SLP Campus initiative in an effort to promote Singapore writers and SingLit in schools, A couple of SLP writers will be speaking at the National Schools Literature Festival end July as well.

Please refer to Appendix A for the list of shortfisted authors.



8. Training

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The Book Council rebranded its Academy of Literary Arts & Publishing (ALAP) as the Singapore Book Council Academy or SBC Academy. The rebranding conveys the work of the Academy in a more direct and memorable way. The Academy aims to provide training to empower Singapore's publishing industry and literary arts community in the latest professional knowledge and skills. From August 2017 to July 2018, the Academy organised 23 workshops on various topics related to reading, writing, storytelling and publishing.

Genre	Number of workshops August 2017 to July 2018
Publishing	5
Reading	2
Writing	S116
Storytelling	5
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New courses included Journaling: Reflective Writing for Self-Discovery: Love Travelling and Writing? Be a Travel Writerl; Augmented Reality (AR) Storytelling for Kids: Virtual Reality (VR) Storytelling for Kids: How to Survive as a Freelance Writer?; and Writing Contemporary Kaiki and Haibun. Upcoming courses in August and September 2018 Include Introduction to Literary Translation; Pitch to Publication Workshop; and Drawing for a Living: Opportunities and Challenges.

Participants continue to enjoy national-level grants and subsidies such as the Capability Development grant from NAC, SkillsFuture and NTUC's Union Training Assistance Programme.

Please refer to Appendix 8 for the complete list of workshops.

9. Advisory Services

The Council continues to give local authors and self-publishers advice and guidance either in person, over the telephone, or via email. Common queries include the following:

- ISBN application/Legal Deposit requirements
- Publishing process and writing
- Introductions to publishers and agents
- Awards
- Copyright Act
- Participation in local and international book fairs
- Launching of books
- Editorial services

10. Website / Online

The Council maintains several websites and sub-domains pertaining to different areas of work, including:

- www.bookcouncil.sg (Overall information and general news)
- www.afcc.com.sg (Asian Festival of Children's Content)
- academy.bookcouncil.sg (Programmes organised by the Academy)
- all-in.bookcouncil.sg (All Ini Young Writers Festival)
- buysinglil.sg

In addition to the websites, the Council is active on several different social media platforms, including Facebook, instagram, Twitter and YouTube:

- www.facebook.com/singaporebookcouncil
- www.facebook.com/AFCCSingapore
- www.facebook.com/AllinYWF
- www.facebook.com/buysingit
- www.instagram.com/afccsg
- www.instagram.com/buysinglit
- www.twitter.com/sgbookcouncil
- www.twitter.com/alin_singapore
- All Inf; www.youtube.com/channel/UCefs49x8emVMZyv5XANXR_w

BuySingLit: www.youtube.com/channel/UCbjMbjYUCR91pCceNlofn4w

The Council is focusing more on its digital and social media marketing as well as outreach efforts to promote its programmes.

11. Publications

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I. All In! Young Writers Festival Publications

a. YOUTHspeak: A Collection of Essays

Funded by the National Youth Council, All Int launched a publication, in both hard copy and e-version, a collection of essays submitted by students from Singapore for the YOUTHspeak Essay Writing Competition in 2017. This second edition of YOUTHspeak featured 21 essays from seven local schools. The anthology was edited in collaboration with Write the World, an online platform for teachers and students that promote peer editing for essays.

The e-version could be found on the portal issuu.com [https://issuu.com/allin_singapore/docs/youthspeak_book_2]. The YOUTHspeak 2018 edition was launched in April 2018.

b. All In! Snack Fiction Anthology

As part of programme segments supported by National Youth Council for 2017, All Ini published a collection of short stories called All Ini Snack Fiction Anthology, featuring 18 original stories shortlisted from 31 submissions islandwide. The shortlisted young writers were mentored by four published short story writers from Pulp Toast and Super Cool Books to bring the stories to publishable standards. The anthology, published in both hard copy and an eversion (https://issuu.com/alin_singapore/docs/final_combined_snacfic) was launched in 2017.

All In! Publications



YOUTHspeak In Collaboration with Write the World



All In! Snock Fiction Anthology In Collaboration with Pulp Teast & Dan Basco

Community Outreach August 2017 -July 2018

12. Community Outreach

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1. #BuySingLit 2018

The Council was appointed by NAC as the secretariat for the #BuySingLit project for two years from 2017 to 2018. The industry-led movement, supported by NAC, involved working with the agency and a working committee comprising industry members to organise a three-day campaign to promote Singapore literary books and activities.

The second edition of #BuySingLit took place from 9 to 11 March 2018 to coincide with the school March holidays. There were a total of 77 programmes spread over three days (up from 45 in 2017). About 41,000 visitors took part in the programmes, an increase of more than 60% over the 2017 attendance of about 26,000. The number of language programmes in Chinese. Malay and Tamil have also doubled (from 10 to 19), appealing to a wider range of audiences from children to families. This year, The Arts House became the main hub of the campaign, as it organised a new literary festival Textures – A Weekend With Words that featured a variety of events, including a book fair by BooksActually, performances, exhibitions, discussions, workshops and film screenings.

This year, the Council commissioned seven programmes, including Textures; two book fairs; Love Letters to Singapore, a partnership with Ethos Books and Singapore Post; A City of Books, an autdoor art installation at Bras Basah Complex; as well as two projects by DDB Singapore, Tikam Books and Chatbooks. The campaign reached out to more locations this year (from 43 to 52), including shopping mails like VivoCity and Citylink Mail, and new venues like Gardens by the Bay and Tampines Hub,

In addition, \$40,000 worth of #BuySingLit vouchers were given out by partners [\$10,000 more than 2017]. These vouchers could be used to buy any SingLit titles at participating bookstores till 31 August 2018.
Please see Appendix C for the full list of programmes and partners for #BuySingLit 2018.

II. Twilight Tales

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First begun in 2015, Twilight Tales was a regular programme that brought prominent Singaporean authors to new locations like people's homes for talks. The Book Council hosted three Twilight Tales sessions in 2017 from April to August. featuring the poet Joshua Ip, fiction writer Balli Kaur Jawal and nonfiction writer Wendy Tan. Each session had good attendance, attracting about 30 audience members each. The last session was held in August 2017.

Please refer to Appendix D for the Twilight Tales programme.

III. Language Programmes

a. Storytelling at Bulan Bahasa (September 2017)

The Book Council presented two programmes at 2017 Bulan Bahasa, which were supported by the Lee Kuan Yew Fund for Bilingualism. The two programmes featured local writer/storyteller Jumaini Ariff as Nek Selampit, a persona created when the Council first collaborated with her for Bulan Bahasa in 2015. They targeted two different audiences: one for schools and the other for general public. The first programme. The Legends and Fables with Nek Selampit Accompanied by Gamelan Music, comprised two one-hour storytelling sessions, featuring music by BronzAge Gamelan. The sessions included performance storytelling of two stories by Jumaini, quizzes and hands-on activities (children could try playing with the gamelan instruments). The first session was held at the opening of Bulan Bahasa at the Malay Heritage Centre in September 2017, and the subsequent one at OneKM Shopping Mali.

The second programme, Express Yourself Through Starytellingl, was presented in four primary schools, targeting Primary 1 and 2 Malay language students. The schools included St Hilda's Primary School, Lakeside Primary School, St Stephen's School, and Woodlands Primary School, with a total of about 220 students in attendance. Each session

included a storytelling by Jumaini, activities reinforcing words introduced in the story and a retelling by selected children.

The National Heritage Board and the Malay Language Council acknowledged the effort Jumaini Aritf had put in to promote the Malay language and appointed her as one of their language ambassadors in 2017.

b. Tamil Language Festival (21 April 2018)

The 2018 Tamil Language Festival showcased a rich calendar of Tamil events from 1 to 30 April 2018.

The Book Council co-presented a storytelling and colouring contest with Urumi e-Magazine, a community e-magazine that features articles written by Singaporean youths. The programme which targeted preschool and lower primary children leveraged on the Book Council's experience in putting together educational and interactive sessions for children, and on Urumi's extensive database of Tamil-speaking families.

The first part of the programme had storyteller and theatre practitioner, Sashirekka Rountan entertain the children with an engaging story in Tamil. This was followed by a colouring competition where the kids had to colour the Tamil alphabet and the image related to the alphabet. The activity aims to create an interest in Tamil language from a young age.

The session was held at the Programme Zone of the Central Public Library on Saturday, 21 Apr 2018 and had 150 registered participants.

The Book Council also ran a social media on Urumi's Facebook and gave away our bilingual books to persons who liked our Facebook page so as to increase the followers to our page.

c. Fun With Languages (May to November 2017)

The Fun With Languages programme was open to the public to enable children to attend more literary workshops, while having fun learning their mother tongue. In 2017, 12 language programmes were held before and after AFCC at various locations, including Ang Mo Kio Library, Bishan Library, Woodlands Regional Library, Jurong West Public Library, as well as the Training Room at the Book Council. Almost 360 children attended the sessions.

Please refer to Appendix E for the Fun With Languages events.

13. Other programmes

The Book Council was involved in many other events in its efforts to support the wider literary arts sector in Singapore, strengthening its connections to various partners as well. Please refer to Appendix F for the full list of partners for all our programmes.

L MILS Consolidated Sales Booth

The Council was appointed by the Mother Tongue Language Symposium (MTLS) to manage a Consolidated Sales Booth for the third year at their event in August 2017. This work involved coordinating with different selected publishers of Chinese. Malay, and Tamil books and educational materials intended for preschool and early primary students.

II. BookStreet@SMU

The inaugural BookStreet was held from 8-10 September 2017 as part of the SMU Arts Festival. The book fair consisted of 15 vendors, including local publishers, handmade bag makers, illustrators, and independent book seliers. The Book Council also organised activities and games to engage the SMU students and public.

III. Book Council's Office Warming

The Book Council celebrated the move to our new office to Goodman Arts Centre on 20 Oct 2017 with an office warming party and special edition of

BookStreet. We had about about 200 guests. It was a vibrant gathering of the literary arts community filled with food, drinks, as well as prose and poetry readings by students from the National University of Singapore and A Touch of Moonlight. Besides featuring the new Training Room, we also drew attention to our Writers Lounge and highlighted our commitment to providing spaces for the community to use.

IV.Book Drive

As part of our pre-50th anniversary celebrations, the Book Council launched a book drive from 24 to 25 Nov 2017 to collect children's books for charities in Singapore. Over 10,000 books were collected from about 80 individual donors and 11 corporate donors. Working with 45 valunteers, the books were distributed to 17 beneficiary charities, including Club Rainbow, Jamiyah Singapore. KK Women's and Children's Kindergarten and a few primary schools. We engaged our community of publishers to donate new books and expanded our pool of volunteers. We gave needy children opportunities to read and learn.

14. Media Coverage

The Book Council is boosting its effort to engage with the media and maintain its relationship with the various media outlets. It has consistently gamered media coverage for its programmes, including SLP, All Ini and #BuySingLit. The coverage helps to market the Council and its programmes, and raise its visibility.

Piease refer to Appendix G for selected media coverage.

15. Funding

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Funding continues to be a challenge on all fronts, including revenue sources from ticketed income, as well as corporate and individual donations.

I. Ticketed Income

There continues to be pressure on the Book Council's event ticket prices. For AFCC, local participants found the full price ticket of around \$200 per day to be high, even for professional development. For AFCC, the Book Council tried to offer a

range of discounts and special offers, particularly for those who took part in online contests and submissions. For international and in particular regional participants, the cost of travel and accommodation in Singapore was considerable. Nevertheless, the Book Council tried to work with regional partners to regularly offer a range of discounts to attract participants.

II. Donations

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The outlook for corporate donations remains poor given the poor economic forecast. However, the Book Council was given a boost with a commitment of \$550,000 to be disbursed over five years from the Stephen Riady Foundation. For this generous donation. Mr Riady was recognised as an "NBDCS Champion of Books" during AFCC 2017.

III. Immediate Outlook

In conjunction with the 50th anniversary of the Book Council in 2018, the management and ExCo would be working closely on fundralsing plans to solicit donations and sponsorships.

16. Conclusion

As the Singapore Book Council marks its 50th anniversary in 2018, it is looking to further refine and strengthen its core mission. With a new legal structure, a new Executive Director and new staff in place, it will continue to develop its core programmes and partnerships to better serve the needs of the literary arts sector. It will also develop the skills of its staff to boost the professional capability of the organisation.

Given the less-than-positive economic outlook, the Book Council will continue to face funding challenges ahead. In the coming year, the management will work closely with the new board on fundroising efforts and strategic plans to ensure the sustainability of the organisation.

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APPENDIX A: Singapore Literature Prize Shor	fist 2018
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No.	Author	Title of Book	Book Cover	
1	概志礼 Chua Chee Lay	股低限法/W C Ling Ting Mo Di Sheng/ Melody From Foreign Lands) [Lingzi Media, 2017]		
2	简志视 Tan Chee Lay	新統治标時学 (Shi Cheng Di Blao Shi Xue/ Landmark Poetics of the Lion City) (City Book Room, 2017)		
3	林得釉 Denon Lim Denon	加累还有萤火点 (Ru Guo Hai You Ying Huo Chong/ If There Are Still Fireflies) (Lingzi Media, 2017)	-	
4	本子 Mu 辺 (李雍民 /U Fu Min)	時有別語 (Shi You Bie Qu/ Delights of Poetry) (Singapore Association of Writers, 2016)		

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5	作時 Tong Nuan	杆轮集 (Cheng Tuo Ji /Weights) (Self-published, 2017)	1
		ENGLISH	
t	Amanda Chong	Professions (Math Paper Press, 2016)	Parlementari
2	Euginia Tan	Phedra (Ethos Books, 2016)	
з	Loh Guan Liang	Bitter Punch (Ethos Books, 2016)	ate a
4	Samuel Lee	A Field Guide to Supermarkets in Singapore (Math Paper Press, 2016)	A Fluid Galate In Superinghal

5	Theophilus Kwek	Giving Ground (Ethos Books, 2016)	
Ť		MALAY	
1	Farihan Bohron	Tukang Tunjuk Telunjuk (Finger-Pointing Expert) (Unggun Creative, 2017)	大
2	Peter Augustine Goh	Sumur Kebenaran (The Well of Truth) (Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka, 2016)	Reserved to the second
3	Yazid Hussein	Murad Mafi: Pak Long Kisahkan (Murad is Dead) (Self-published, 2017)	
		TAMIL	
i.	A.K. Varadharajan	னீ குலான் இது பின்னைத்தமிழ் (Lee Kuan Yew Pillalth Thamith/ Lee Kuan Yew Imaginary Childhood) (Self-published, 2016)	

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		CREATIVE NON-FICTION CHINESE	
No.	Author	Title of Book	Book Cover
1	钟志邦 Choong Chee Pang	从南大到北大 (Cong Nan Da Dao Bei Da/ From Nanyang University to Peking University) (Ungzi Media, 2017)	The Ast Ast
2	印譜 Ho Yuen	弊城重来录之管匪嘎血 (Shi Cheng Zhong An Lu Zhi Jing Fei Die Xua/ Singapore Crime Scene 1)	-

2	所直 Ho Yuen	(Shi Cheng Zhong An Lu Zhi Jing Fei Die Xue/ Singapore Crime Scene 1.) (Lingzi Media, 2016)	
3	市田間 Lee Kok Leong	大肥為 + 結洋人 (Da Yan Ji, Yue Yang Ren/ Breaking the Waves) (Traveler Palm Creations, 2016)	A A A
4	進馬 Liu Su	蔷薇边缘 (Qiang Wei Bian Yuan/ Roses at the Edge) (City Book Room, 2017)	¥



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5	西讯射 Weng Xian- Wei	第二张脸 (Di Er Zhang Lian/ The Second Face) (Global Publishing, 2016)	
6	単重紅 Zhang Xing Hong	雇佣服先 (Xing Zhou Xing Guang/ Island of Stars) (Giobal Publishing, 2016)	and the second
		ENGLISH	
ĩ	Charmaine Chan	The Magic Circle (Ethos Books, 2017)	The Magic wele
2	Charmaine Leung Foong Har	17A Keong Saik Road (Ethos Books, 2017)	HARMAN AND
3	Melissa De Silva	"Others" is Not a Race [Math Paper Press, 2017]	

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4	Nirmai Ghosh	Unquiet Kingdom: Thailand In Transition (Straits Times Press Pte Ltd, 2017)	
5	Shubigi Rao	Pulp: A Short Biography Of The Banished Book (Rock Paper Fire, 2016)	
6	Tjio Kayloe	The Unfinished Revolution: Sun Yal- Sen and the Struggle for Modern China (Marshall Cavendish Editions, 2017)	
		MALAY	
ï	Ahmad Bin Md Tahir	Rona Wicara (Colour of Expression) (Self-published, 2016)	ROMAWICARA
2	Sharifah Mohamed	Mokmal Penulis (Author Labs) (Self-published.2016)	AN CONTRACTOR

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2	Chitra Romesh	یندهد. میکرد. (Attokrop/ Autograph) (Self-published, 2016)	
3	M. Segar	engyligeb melmenyda (Euttum Egnamum/ Words and Thoughts) (Self-published, 2017)	37

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No	Author	Tille of Book	Book Cover
ţ:	市选校 Lee Chuan Low	載宋町頃 (Jiu Zai Qian Xan/ Rescue Frontline) [Lingzi Media, 2017]	
2	修高 Lin Goo	框起人间章 (Kuang Qi Ren Jian Shi/ Life Between Frames) (Lingzi Media, 2017)	

3	着尼尔 XI NEE	志忘存城 (Lian Lian Fu Cheng/ The Floating Republic) (Lingzi Media, 2017)	-learning decision
4	张辉 Zhang Hui	領事発発 (Yan Shi Niao Niao/ Smoker Memories) (Society of Literature Writing, 2017)	grower m
5	甲膏松 Li Qing Song	竹橋 (Shu Goo/ Manuscript – Collection of Short Stories) (City Book Room, 2016)	

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1	Balli Kaur Janwal	Sugarbread (Epigram Books, 2017)	
2	Jennani Durai	Regrettable Things that Happened Yesterday (Epigram Books, 2017)	Regrettalle Things That Haffened Yesterday JEMMAMEDIERAL
3	Jeremy Tiang	State of Emergency (Epigram Books, 2017)	C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C
a.	Nuraliah Norasid	The Gatekeeper (Epigram Books, 2017)	
5	Wong Souk Yee	Death of a Perm Sec (Epigram Books,2016)	DEATH OF X O PERM SEC

		MALAY	-
	Adam Bin Fadila	Bial Mencati Nur (Muezzin în Search of Light) (Self-published, 2017)	BILAL
2	Djohan A Rahman	Tika Aksara Menari (When The Alphabets Dance) (Mini Monsters Limited, 2017)	
3	Farihan Bahron	Kesumat Sang Avatar (Avatar's Wrath) (Unggun Creative, 2017)	KESUMAT
4	Hamed Bin Ismail	Bunga Tanjong (A Dancing Club: Bunga Tanjong) (Mediacorp Eaglevision, 2016)	
5	Hassan Hasaa'Ree Ali	Souvenir Dari Angkasa Lepas (Souvenir From Space) (Kapi Cetak Sdn Bhd, 2016)	A REAL PROPERTY OF A REAL PROPER

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1	Chitra Ramesh	9:5 guil #j/Zprayik (Oru Thuli Santhosham/ A Drop of Happiness) [Self-published, 2017]	
2	M.K.Kumar	5.12 pm (Yaavarum Publishers, 2017)	5.12
3	Prema Mohalingam	武行法 愛知研究を示 (Neerth Thivalaikal/ Water Droplets) (Aaria Creations, 2017)	And and a second

APPENDIX 8: Academy Workshops

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Full list of workshops run by the SBC Academy from August 2017 to July 2018.

No	Field	Workshop Title	Trainer	Workshop Date
1	Publishing	ALAP-IPA IP Knowledge Series: Copyright and e-Publications	Mark Cheng	18-Aug-17
2 Storytelling Improvising stories - before A creation comes imagination		Ana Sousa Gavin	23-Sep-17	
3	Reading Children Can Write their Own Dr George Jacobs Books		Dr George Jacobs	20-Jan-18
4	Publishing Effective Writing and Editing for Melina Chua-Clark In-house Publications and Corporate Communications Materials		26-Jan-18	
5	Storytelling Telling Folktales from Southeast Karen Lee and Wong Asia Swee Yean		27-jan-18	
6	Reading Improving the reading Steven Sim, Hidayah comprehension skills of dyslexic Amin, Lee Seaw Ser, children aged 7-9 Heman Tan, Sylvia Foo		3-Mar-18	
7	Writing	Let Them Speak: Writing Better Dialogue (Fiction, Creative Non- fiction, Graphic Novels and Drama)	Danyi Whetter	3-feb-18
8	Writing	Metaphor: the Core of Poetry and a Transferable Skill for all Genres	Donyl Whetter	10-Feb-18
9	Publishing	Copywriting Workshop	Rachel Maund	7-Mar-18
10	Publishing	Impressive Marketing Plans	Rachel Maund	8-Mar-18
11	Writing	Children can write their own book	Dr George Jacobs	14 Apr 2018

12	Writing	Role of Animals in Books for Children and Youths	Dr George Jacobs	28 Apr 2018
13	3 Writing Journaling - Reflective Writing for Self-Discovery		Melina Chua-Clark	12 May 2018
14	4 Writing Improvising Stories - Stories to Remember!		Ana Sousa Gavin	19 May 2018
15			Chris Mooney Singh	26 May 2018
16	Writing	Love Travelling and Writing? Be a Travel Writer! (2-day workshop)	Shivaji Das	9 Jun 2018
17	Storytelling	Augmented Reality (AR) Storytelling for Kids	Alson Foo Benson Teo	22 Jun 2018
18	Storytelling	Virtual Reality [VR] Storytelling for Kids	Alson Foo Berson Teo	22 Jun 2018
19	writing	How to Survive as a Freelance Writer?	Anthony Koh Waugh	22 Jun 2018
20	Writing	Love Travelling and Writing? &e a Travel Writer! (2-day workshop)	Shivaji Das	23 Jun 2018
21	Storytelling	Storytelling with Papercraft	Karen Lee Wong Swee Yean	7 Jul 2018
22	Publishing	Drawing for a Living: Opportunities & Challenges	Debasmita Dasgupta	14 Jul 2018
23	Writing	Broken Verses	Ni A. Parkes	14 Jul 2018

APPENDIX C: #BuySingLit Programmes and Partners

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Full list of 2018 #BuySingLit Programmes and Partners.

	Organiser	Programme	
F.	Armour Publishing	Creative Art Workshop with Ranger Anne	
2	Aslapac Books	Illustrating SingLit	
3	Avant Theatre	Here Comes the Groom!	
4	Books & Beer	#BuySingLit X Books & Beer	
5	BooksActually	#BuySingLit Bazaar (Arts House)	
		#BuySingLit Festival (VivoCity)	
6	Booktique	Scene Lit Contest	
7	Bubbly Books	Brand-New Bubbly Books!	
8	City Book Room	SingLit Writers-A New Generation 2.0	
9	DD8	Chalbooks	
		Tikam Books	
10	Epigram Books	SingLit Heartland Book Drop	
		#BuySingLit Affiliate Café Programme	
11	Ethos Books	Love Letters to Singapore	
12	Global Cultural Alliance	If Food be the Love of Words	
13 Global Publishing		in the Mood for Words	
		Yip Cheong Fun - Back to Chinatown	
14	Grassroots Book Room	Poems for Supper	
15	More Nair	ModBlake: Auguries of Modern Innocer	
16	Method Productions	Pioneer Passages: Women's Writes	
		That's the Story of my Life	
17	Mini Monsters	There are Monsters in the Gardens	
		Anak Itik - A Malay Pop-Up Theatre	
		Performance for Pre-Schoolers	
		Adil's Book Birthday Partyl	
18	OHI Open House	A City of Books	
19	Poetry Festival (Singapore)	Love @ The Gallery 2	
20	Popular Book Co	#BuySingLit with Popular	
21	Project Dignity	Story Telling & Book Sale	

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22	Pustaka Nasional	Find Books by Our Singaporean Writers	
		Let's Get Ready for a Party With the Little Cheft	
23	Screenbox	Book Trailer Workshop	
24	Sing Lit Station	The World in a Book	
	- 35	Out of Print - An Exhibition	
25	Squircle Line Press	At the National Gallery: Writings about Histor & Architecture	
		The Witness of Poetry: Emotions, Trauma, and Healing	
26	The Arts House	Textures - A Weekend With Words	
27	The Storytelling Centre and Words Go Round	Making Stone Soup and Vegetable Prints	
28	Ungu Pen	Pen UPI and UPQuizi	
29	Woods in the Books	LITTLE SingLit Puppet Theatre	
		Hello SingLitt Pop-Up Book Fair	
30	Venue & other programme partners	HDB, NLB, Ho Printing, Singapore Post, Basheer Graphics, Evenew and Maha Yu Yi	

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1	Twilight Tales #12 Wendy Tan	22 August 2017
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	of Wholeness in a Disruptive World: Pearls of Wisdom from	8.30pm
	East and West	
	The non-fiction book, written after her physical	
	breakdown from trying to "do it all", combines the	
	wisdom of East and West thinking, along with extensive	
	interviews with leaders and executives. Wendy is an	
	entrepreneur, speaker and mother of three school-going	
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List of Fun With Languages programmes from August to November 2017.

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1	Colour Your Reading!	Su Zhangkal	26 August 2017	Chinese
2	Have Fun with Public Speaking	Nor Salehafi Bte Ahmad Fausi	26 August 2017	Malay
3	Fun stories in Beautiful Tamil Storytimel	Sashirekka Rountan	26 August 2017	Tamil
4	Workshop in Chinese for children	Tan Lay Keng	18 November 2017	Chinese
5	Warkshop in Malay for children	Nabilah Abdul Karim	18 November 2017	Malay
6	Workshop in Tamil for children	M. Bharathi	18 November 2017	Tamil
7	Fun with Languages In Chinese for 7 - 9 years old	Liang Hulyu	25 November 2017	Chinese
8	Fun with Languages in Malay for 4 - 8 years old	Muhammad Ashraf Bin Mohd Salleh and Zainab Yasin	25 November 2017	Malay

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List of Partners and Supporters the Book Council has worked with.

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- Library Association of Singapore
- Ministry of Education Singapore
- National Library Board
- National Youth Council
- Singapore Kindness Movement
- Singapore National Commission for UNESCO
- Stephen Riady Foundation
- The Asia Foundation

Schools

- Anglo-Chinese Junior College
- Association for Early Childhood Educators (Singapore): AECES
- Cedar Girls' School
- Innova Junior Callege
- Kumon
- LASAULE College of the Arts
- Lorna Whiston Schools
- Nanyang Technological University
- National University of Singapore
- Republic Polytechnic
- Singapore Management University
- Tanglin Trust
- Victoria Junior College

Media Partners

- Asian Geographic Junior
- AUGUSTMAN Magazine
- Clara Magazine, Indonesia
- Mondate.TV

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- Parallel Ink
- Singapore Press Holdings
- The Straits Times
- Unseen Magazine
- What's Up.

Others

- AIESEC Singapore
- Association of Comic Artists Singapore (ACAS)
- BananaMana Films
- Closetful of Books
- Haque Centre of Acting and Creativity
- Kitoob
- Mummyfique
- Pulp Toast/Rofi Bakar
- Red Dot Cinema
- *SCAPE
- Singapore National Co-operative Federation
- Singapore Writers Festival
- Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators (SCBWI)
- Tusitala

International

- Ananta Legian Hotel, Indonesia
- Badan Ekonomi Kreatif Indonesia, Indonesia
- Children's Book Ireland, Ireland
- Culture Ireland, Ireland
- Dharma Dexa, Indonesia
- Goethe Institut, Germany

- Ikatan Penerbit Indonesia (Indonesian Publishers Association) (IKAPI), Indonesia
- Indonesian Section of the International Board on Books for Young People ٠ (INABBY), Indonesia
- Kelompok Pencinta Bacaan Anak/ Society for the Advancement of Children's Literature, Indonesia
- National Book Development Board, Philippines . .
- National Back Trust, India

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- Perbadanan Kota Buku, Malaysia
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Supporters

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- Bookmate
- Centre 42
- Courseline Training Centre, Philippines
- Drowing Right
- Early Childhood Development Agency
- Eye Power Games
- Food for Though!
- Ingenio
- Japanese Association of Children's Book Publishers
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- Monsters Under the Bed
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Summary of Media Coverage August 2017 -July 2018

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List of media coverage (selected) for the Singapore Book Council's events.

I. All Ini Young Writers Festival 2018

All Init focused on digital and online for its marketing efforts to reach out to its target audience. It relied heavily on the social media efforts by its partners as well.

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