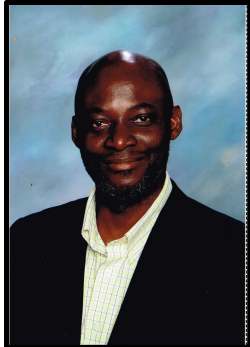


**Austin Uzama PhD. BEd.**

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Nominated for position of Director, BCLTA Board (2018-2020)



I'm a resident of Surrey and have lived in Surrey with my family since 2011 when we moved to Canada from Japan. I'm a career teacher. I earned my PhD in Tourism Marketing from Yamaguchi University, Japan, Masters in Management Research (MRes.) from the University of Essex, Colchester UK and an MBA from University of Phoenix, Az USA. As a researcher, I conducted research mainly on Tourism and Hospitality in Japan, in recent years, my research has evolved into Educational Leadership, Administration and Adult Education. I was recently awarded a grant to conduct research into using Pro-poor Tourism to combat DTES social problems. I'm presently a lecturer at the Faculty of Education in UBC and a part-time teacher with the Delta School District. I have taught K-12 and post secondary in Colchester, England UK, Phoenix, Az., Tokyo, Kyushu & Tohoku regions of Japan.

As an academic, I bring dynamic and current issues from the classroom from the students to the board and address how we can start or consolidate the gains of 'edutainment' and tech-n-classroom. It is with great honor to be serving in the board, and hope to use my past experiences using the library in different countries in and outside campus to contribute to the development of the library in BC.