

MINUTES
NOV 7, 2023
INVERMERE PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
6:30 PM BY ZOOM

MISSION

Connecting the Columbia Valley community and opening the door to a world of knowledge and adventure.

HONOURING THE INDIGENOUS LANDS

We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the unceded territory of the Ktunaxa and Secwepemc (Shuswap) Peoples and the chosen land of the Métis.

PRESENT: D. McAffer, R. Martin, A. Rogers (LD), T. Wood, H. McLeod, W. Cunningham, N. Ayers

REGRETS: C. Palmgren

MINUTES RECORDED BY: A. Rogers (LD)

AGENDA

1. Call to order: D. McAffer at 6:32 PM
2. Official welcome of Norm Ayers to the Board of Trustees
3. Honouring the Indigenous Lands: N. Ayers
4. Opportunity to pull anything from the consent agenda for further discussion:
 - **Nothing pulled**
5. Consent Agenda Reports attached: Verbal or written
 - a) Financial Report for August and September 2023 – A. Rogers – reports emailed to board prior to in-person meeting
 - b) Labour Management Committee
 - c) Planning and Policy Development Committee – C. Palmgren and W. Cunningham, R. Martin.
 - d) Community Relations and Resource Development Committee – renamed Advocacy and Engagement – D. McAffer, H. McLeod.
 - e) Multi-Use Facilities Operations Committee – T. Wood
 - f) BCLTA – C. Palmgren
 - g) Kootenay Library Federation –D. McAffer and H. McLeod
 - h) Friends of the Library – A. Rogers
6. Additions to and adoption of the agenda: H. McLeod added item to New Business, 9 (b) plans to acknowledge staff at Christmas whether they would like a dinner or other form of celebration.

Motion to adopt the agenda:1. R. Martin and 2. W. Cunningham **~CARRIED**
7. Approval of minutes from October 2023: 1. T. Wood and 2. W. Cunningham.

~CARRIED

8. Library Director's Report – accepted as presented

Additional comments:

- FOL are on board with helping fundraise for the bookmobile; \$4500 has been raised and will be added to the bookmobile fund.
- Comparison stats were shared with trustees. These stats compare libraries with similar sized service areas and the per capita funding each receives from local government. These stats are included in the annual budget request from RDEK.

9. **New Business:**

- a. Trustees whose terms end in December 2023 and March 2024 are asked to indicate their intention to reapply to the board. Those positions are the two Area F positions and the one for Canal Flats. RDEK will be posting ads soon inviting members of these electoral areas to apply. A. Rogers will look into the process of adding a member-at-large to the board.
- b. December 2023 board/staff get together: H. McLeod wanted to know the DOI position on including the IPL in their Christmas party plans. There is no formal position on this. IPL staff may do something small amongst themselves and the board will acknowledge staff in the same manner as in previous years.

10. **Old Business:**

- a) Approval of 2024 Budget: The board approved the 2024 Budget. The motion passed unanimously. 1. R. Martin and 2. N. Ayers **~CARRIED**
- b) Bookmobile update: Discussion took place about the type of engine the bookmobile should have – electric or hydrogen cell. Further inquiries will be made though the board felt that these new technologies should perhaps be in place for a while before adopting them for the bookmobile.
 - H. McLeod offered to work with the staff on communications for this project. A motion was made to form a sub-committee to manage the roll out of communications. 1. H. McLeod and 2. R. Martin **~CARRIED**

11. Adjournment: 7:42 PM. D. McAffer

12. Next Meeting: December 5, 2023

Board Chair

Library Director