

Minutes of Board Meeting post AGM Mainil Room at GDPL May 13, 2024

Present: R. Bennie, M. Wilson, T. Lavender, A. Plessl, M. Hudson, L. Iverson, H. Evans-Cullen

Guest: Jocelyn, Stewart

Regrets: D. McMahon, T.Southam, A. Gray, J. Bradbury

- 1. Call to Order & Territorial Acknowledgement by Chair
- 2. Motion to adopt the agenda by R. Bennie, seconded by M. Hudson

Carried

3. Motion to adopt the minutes of April 2024 by A. Plessl, seconded by M. Wilson

Carried

4. Guest: GDPL Assistant Librarian Jocelyn Stewart spoke to the IT challenges the library is currently facing and identified the need for a new server.

5. Committee Reports

- a. Governance Committee: M. Hudson, A. Gray, J. Bradbury: No report
- b. Board Recruitment Committee: L. Iverson: No report
- c. **Board Development Committee:** R. Bennie, A. Plessl, H. Evans-Cullen: Committee will meet before the June board meeting to make plans for future discussions and guests.
- d. **Facility and Capacity Committee:** M. Wilson, T. Southam, T. Lavender. J. Bradbury, R. Bennie, H. Evans-Cullen

M. Wilson reported. The Committee met April 19th and May 5th and will continue to meet every two weeks to maintain momentum with the community consultation and engagement campaign. Activities will

include posters, a mail out, newspaper submissions and social media. The committee has developed some catchy taglines and headlines and is working with Spiderplus Graphics to create the posters, postcard handouts, and social media posts.

- e. **Strategy and Reporting Committee:** T. Southam, H. Evans-Cullen, M. Hudson, A. Gray, L. Iverson
- f. **Finance, Lease & Funding Committee:** L. Iverson, H. Evans-Cullen, R. Bennie, M. Wilson: No report
- g. **Fundraising Committee:** T. Lavender, J. Bradbury, A. Plessl, T. Southam: No report

8. Reports (attached or appended to this agenda)

- Chair's Report R. Bennie has been meeting regularly with H. Evans-Cullen. He attended the BC Library conference and particularly benefited from the session on maker spaces. Another takeaway from the conference was how crucial it is for libraries to have robust and clear policies which our library does. Rob communicated with Mari Martin from the BC Libraries Branch around the need for stable ongoing annual funding for public libraries. Rob has been elected as the Vice Chair of the BCLTA. Rob and Heather will be meeting with Mayor White before the June board meeting.
- 2. Library Director's Report- H. Evans-Cullen expanded on her report and presented a revised budget for review. Motion by R. Bennie to approve the revised budget request for IT expenses, seconded by M. Hudson.

Carried

- 3. BCLTA Liaison R. Bennie already reported
- 4. **Interlink Liaison –** A. Plessl reported that the next InterLINK meeting is on May 14th and she has been nominated to be the Vice Chair.
- Foundation Liaison R. Bennie read a note from Joy. The GDLF discussed funding the new chairs, door sensor, and printer that LD had requested and plan to look at each item separately. They are also interested in funding a coffee/ tea station. The website is complete and will go live soon.
- 6. SCRD- no report

9. Next Meetings at 6:30 pm:

Monday, June 10th

Monday, September 9th

Monday, October 21st

Monday, November 18th

Monday, December 9th



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