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# Minutes February 26, 2018 5:15pm – Board Meeting

## **ATTENDING**

Chair: Kristy Magnusson	David Little
Angie Surzyshyn	Glen Basarowich (regrets)
Barbara Knoll	Robert Ataman (regrets)
Darlene Swiderski (regrets)	Maureen Flynn
Rosalyn Howard Cindy Stewart	Larry Lattanzi (by teleconference) Ken Kuryliw (non-voting)

## **WELCOME**

# **OPENING ITEMS:**

1. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION: TO ADOPT THE AGENDA

MOVED: Angie Surzyshyn	SECOND: David Little	CARRIED

# 2. Presentation by Director, Library Services

Ken delivered an informative presentation to the Board covering the history of the Library. He described the fundraising and project manager responsibilities that he took on during the planning and building of the new Library. He described the numerous initiatives that he has been responsible for since becoming the Director, Library Services including increasing memberships, adding programs, improving technology and adding online services. He described the additional duties that he has become responsible for over his 11 years as Director, such as building maintenance and operations and being on call 24/7.

3. Approval of Minutes from January 22, 2018

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM JANUARY 22, 2018

MOVED: Maureen Flynn	SECOND: David Little	CARRIED
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# 4. Business Arising from Last Minutes I Love to Read Month

Ken advised the Board that we were too late to get the Declaration for I Love to Read Month this year. The process takes two months. Ken asked the Board Secretary to put this on the Board Calendar for next year two months ahead of the Declaration date.

5. Financial: as of the end of January, 2018

MOTION: TO RECEIVE THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF THE END OF JANUARY, 2018

MOVED: Angie Surzyshyn SECOND: Maureen Flynn CARRIED

## **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

## 1. Chair Report:

Kristy asked each Board Members to discuss his or her motivation for being on the Board.

## 2. Friends of the Library Report:

Barbara reported that Friends has another new member. Three Friends including our newest member acted as greeters for Family Fun Day at the Library. To increase our visibility in the Library and to attract even more new members, Friends now has a dedicated shelf in the Library where Friends can place books that we would like to recommend to Library members. The shelf has our name and e-mail address.

#### 3. Librarian's Report: (see attached)

Ken advised the Board that all Library programs are doing well. The Seniors Mobile Library visited 4 seniors' facilities this month and a new series of artwork from Gwen Fox was installed. Ken informed the Board of a number of unexpected repairs to building fixtures including the replacement of a hot water tank. The hard water continues to cause problems in the washrooms. A faulty sensor caused a number of false alarms, requiring attendance by a technician from Winnipeg.

## 4. Grant Update:

Ken advised the Board that the Library's application for a new grant being offered by Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries was not successful. We are considering making an application for a Coop Community Spaces Grant for the Prairie Walkway. Ken has arranged for a cost estimate. The deadline for submission is March 1, 2018.



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## **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

## 1. Election of Board Positions:

Kristy stated that she does not want to continue as Board Chair for family reasons. She also stated that she is not interested in the position of Board Secretary. Kristy indicated that she would like to nominate Barbara for the position of Board Chair. Barbara stated that she would accept the nomination for the position of Board Chair for a short term, if someone else would take on the responsibility of Board Secretary. Barbara stated that it would be a good opportunity to mentor a younger person to be the next Chair. The Board decided to delay the election to the March meeting to give other Board Members the opportunity to express interest. Kristy agreed to send an e-mail to all Board Members advising them of the elections to be held at the March meeting. Ken agreed to collect the nominations for both positions.

## 2. Strategic Plan Update:

Discussion of the strategic plan was tabled to the next meeting. Rosalyn stated that she has experience in facilitating strategic plans and agreed to work with Ken on our plan.

## 3. Board Members Liability Insurance:

Ken explained that Board Members have liability insurance coverage under the Certificate of Insurance issued to the City of Selkirk through the Municipal General Insurance Program. A copy of the certificate is attached to the minutes.

## 4. Contract Committee's Report (In camera):

The Report of the Library Contract Committee dated February 22, 2018 was e-mailed to all Board Members on February 23, 2018. The Board gave the Board Chair the authority to negotiate a new Memorandum of Agreement with the Director, Library Services for 4 years, 11 months based on the Committee's and Board Members' recommendations.

## **ADDITIONAL ITEMS:**

Meeting adjourned: 8:15pm. Next meeting: Monday March 19, 2018 at 5:15pm.