

## Gaynor Family Regional Library - Minutes

January 18, 2024

5 pm –Library Heritage room/Zoom

### Attendance:

Marian Mair

Cindy Stewart

Erin Nosal -

David Little- Chair

Rosalyn Howard - zoom

Laura Bennett – vice chair

Ken Doornbos

Bert Skogan - zoom

Lori Fiddler

Scott Spicer -

Staff: Ken Kuryliw and Katherine Anderson - attending

### Welcome

1. Called to order at 4:55pm
2. Adoption of Agenda- Remove action item #1 re: expansion discussion.

**Moved**

**Scott**

**Second: Laura**

**Passed- All**

3. Review Of Minutes- November, 2023 – approved

**Moved**

**Cindy Second: Laura**

**Passed- All**

Business Arising: \$5,000 capital returned to Dunnottar. Received notice of grant of \$1900 for Stay and Play. Already a success after two sessions. Staff thanked the Board for the holiday gift cards.

#### **4. Financial Report:** Attached

Note the \$86,000 surplus includes \$50,000 Rotary expansion donation so won't be included in final 2023 operating. There was about \$22,000 in capital purchases that don't show but account will adjust \$19,000 grant in operating to match. Actual 2023 surplus in the \$15,000 range.

Ken K. is to be commended for all the hard work and seizing opportunities that reflect in the budget.

Librarians Report See attached: received

Lori suggested a meet and eat event coupons for I love to Read month.

2. Municipal first quarter letters going out next week.
3. Fund Raising nothing to report.
4. City of Selkirk may take over the Planning side for three to five years.

Information items

1 and 2) Expansion and the Provincial grant

The Provincial grant 2024 was provided showing the effect of the new formula (\$255,233 under new formula down from \$351,084). Although we qualify to keep receiving 2023 amount unless municipal funding decreases. It would take a \$192,000 increase in municipal funding to reach our 2023 grant level under the new formula.

It was agreed that the new formula even if we always get the 2023 grant, this insures no Provincial increase for many years, and a cost fear of a Municipal decrease.

A plan to rise the issue with the provinces was outlined.

Ken K. – Would gather information from other libraries to get a ground swell of understanding and support. The information will be made available to Councillors but the end of February so it can start the AMM process, and additional information as requested gathered in March. The goal is to have Municipal support/resolution in the November AMM meeting.

3) Audit box is going out January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024. It is hoped we are so earlier that having the auditor at our Feb 15<sup>th</sup> meeting maybe possible if not March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 meeting

Action items

2) Approve letter to Minister with changes to draft and cc member municipalities mayors and bc the cao's.

1) Library expansion – Library is still committed to expansion but due to economic situations and new info to defer expansion at this time. Ken K. has permission to contact our donors about revised situation.

**Moved**

**Scott Second: Ken. D.**

**Passed- All**

**Motion: Bert Second Lori Approved - All**

Adjourned 6:20 pm – Lori

Next meeting will be February 15th 2024 at 5pm