

Trail and District Public Library Board
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday June 21, 2023
Trail Library Meeting Room
1505 Bay Ave, Trail BC

In Attendance: Jeff Jones - Chair
Joanne Beestra - Vice Chair
Maureen Weddell - Secretary
Catherine McCormick
Jackie Patridge
Nick Cashol – Trail City Council Rep.

Regrets: Janet Bodnarchuk
Mark Wilson

Call to Order 3:07 PM

1. Adopt Agenda as proposed

Motion: 1. Catherine McCormick 2. Joanne Beestra **Carried**

2. Approve minutes of the May 17, 2023 meeting

Motion: 1. Catherine McCormick 2. Nick Cashol **Carried**

3. Library Directors Report - Report Attached

Highlights:

- Summer student positions have been filled - will meet students later in meeting
- Library and Museum will collaborate on a volunteer appreciation luncheon August 31, 2023 - Save the Date!
- Mental Health First Aid workshops scheduled for June 28 & 29 filled up very quickly. Will consider training a facilitator for future workshops as there seems to be a huge demand.
- KLF meetings will be in Creston in September, if a board member is attending let Sam know so she can budget for Travel & Accom.

Motion to receive report: 1. Joanne Beestra 2. Nick Cashol **Carried**

4. Correspondence

Form letter received regarding public interest concern to programming that is not in our plans at this time.

Motion to receive for discussion purposes:

1. Maureen Weddell
2. Joanne Beestra

Motion to respond to letter: Jeff will respond with a short letter highlighting library programming is based on community interest for all members of the community.

1. Joanne Beestra
 2. Catherine McCormick
- Carried**

5. **Summer Students** joined the meeting to share with the board a little about themselves and their library summer position.

Yasmine is a psychology student from McGill University, here for summer, loves that the library staff loves to make things happen, Very welcoming environment. lots of ideas and plans for the summer programming. Will be presenting some french programming over the summer.

Taya is a Grade nine student from Trail, her first summer position, also very excited about the summer programming and that there are so many different ideas and plans. A very well spoke person, contributing much to the summer reading program.

Kalsoom is a student visiting from Pakistan and has been in Trail for 6 months, full of enthusiasm as she had no idea how interesting and progressive a library could be: in her country a library is for reading and books. She will present programming in her native language.

Board members had many questions for the students and were impressed with their energy and enthusiasm.

6. **Indigenous and Evolving Italian Heritage**

Week of activities and programming leading up to national aboriginal day were all very well attended

7. **Trustee Orientation and Development N/A**

8. **Committee Reports**

A. **Finance**

Motion to approve allocating funds to a higher interest rate savings account

1. Jackie Patridge
 2. Maureen Weddell
- Carried**

City audit portion of our funding should go back to the city of Trail as they did our audit financial YE for 2022

Motion to receive the financial statement :

1. Catherine McCormick
 2. Nick Cashol
- Carried**

B. **Governance N/A**

C. **KLF** - Meetings were held recently with some deputy ministers who were surprised by the lack of increase in funding for libraries over the years. KLF has about 3 years of funding left at this point. Meetings in Creston September 15 & 16 venue not yet secured.

D. Personal N/A

9. Meeting Evaluation: Hard to hear in room - Fans and soft voices

Honesty and Humor

Good conversation around correspondence

Meeting Students - Staff - Great energy

2nd quarter report will have to be approved by email when Sam sends it out.

10. Adjournment: 4:22 PM Nick Cashol