

Smithers Public Library Board Minutes

Wednesday, January 18, 2017, 7 p.m., Smithers Public Library

Item	Responsible	Action
Call to Order 7:04	Wally	Present: Wally Bergen, Lorraine Doiron, Kay Mackenzie, John Buikema, Frank Wray, Darcy Repen, Wendy Wright Regrets: Paul Parry, Mark Crisp
Election of Board Officers	Wendy	Motion: To elect the following officers: Chair: Wally Bergen Carried Co-chair: Mark Crisp Carried Treasurer: Mark Crisp Carried NWLF Representative: Kay Mackenzie Carried Building Committee: Paul Parry, Lorraine Doiron, Kay Mackenzie Carried Marketing Committee: Paul Parry Carried Policy Committee: Bruce Hutchinson Carried Friends of the Library Liaison: Lorraine Doiron Carried
Adopt Agenda	Wally	LD Motion: To adopt agenda with addition of Correspondence item Letter from Aboriginal Education Council SD54 Seconded: KM Carried
Adopt Consent Agenda	Wally	WB Motion: To adopt the following items: Minutes of December 14, 2016 regular meeting Seconded: JB Carried
Correspondence		Letter from TOS appointing John Buikema to the Library Board; Letter from Aboriginal Education Council SD54
Business Arising From Minutes TOP Training NWLF Multipurpose Building Partner Facilitation	Wally/Wendy Kay Wally/Paul/ Lorraine	Bios Update. The NWLF and NELF directors sent a letter to Libraries Branch requesting more funding to bring their federations up to par with other BC federations. Funding is allotted per capita but administration costs are the same as other federations. Libraries branch responded that there is no additional funding available. Kay will speak with Lauren about further advocacy channels. Next meeting will be January 23, 7 p.m. at the Old Church. BV Arts & Culture Centre/Town endorsement was discussed; the Village of Telkwa and Area "A" have been invited by the Smithers Town Council to participate in the planning process. The potential economic benefits of a diverse Arts & Culture Centre on the Valley and necessity of communicating them to the community and government were discussed, as was the government's expectation that libraries support the BC Jobs Plan. Population served: various population figures examined in terms of circulation per capita and service areas as viewed by Libraries Branch.

New Business		
2017 Budget	Wally/Frank	Update. Town Council's budgeting process is not yet finalized.
Reports: Treasurer's Report	Wendy	The 2016 budget is coming along as predicted, under budget by a small percentage. Abolishing fines on children's items and raising fines on adult's and teens' items resulted in a revenue increase of \$400. WB Motion: To accept the Treasurer's Report Seconded: KM Carried
Friends of the Library Report	Lorraine/Paul	Work on updating to conform to the new Societies Act has begun. A 2-year strategic planning session will be held in February and an AGM in March.
Librarian's Report	Wendy	JB Motion: To accept the Librarian's Report Seconded: FW Carried
Next Meeting		Wednesday, February 15 at the library
Adjournment	Wally	