

Smithers Public Library Board Minutes

Wednesday, June 28, 2017, 7 p.m., at the library

Item	Responsible	Action
Call to Order	Wally	Present: Wally Bergen, Bruce Hutchinson, Lorraine Doiron, Frank Wray, Mark Crisp, John Buikema, Darcy Repen, Wendy Wright Regrets: Kay Mackenzie, Paul Parry
Adopt Agenda	Wally	Motion: To adopt agenda with/out additions: Staff feedback Carried
Adopt Consent Agenda	Wally	Motion: To adopt the following items: Minutes of May 17, 2017 regular meeting Carried
Correspondence		Letter of thanks from Co-Housing Group; Letter of Apology via Interior News; Provincial Grants Letter
Business Arising From Minutes NWLF BV Arts & Culture Centre Partner Facilitation BCLTA Conference Truth and Reconciliation Event	Wendy for Kay Lorraine/ Wally Mark Wendy	The planned September 9 AGM in Hazelton might change to a teleconference. The architects' presentation at the June 20 th COW meeting was reviewed and the three concept options discussed. The Town will receive the architects' final report in a few days. Mark attended the BCLTA Conference in Vancouver this April. It was inspiring, informative and an excellent networking opportunity. He learned that many other BC libraries share the same struggles. Report on June 10 event. Based on public feedback, we feel that the library's goals for this project were met, namely public education, reflection, inspiration, community-building and relationship-building. Other libraries have expressed interest in hosting similar events and the American Library Association has asked SPL to share a program model with their members. The unfortunate occurrence of one of the speakers being quoted in the newspaper against her will was discussed and proactive strategies identified to prevent this situation in the future.
New Business Chair/Vice-Chair SRC Funding and Hiring Trade Show Beyond Hope Conference & TOP Training	Wally Wendy Lorraine/Wendy John/Wendy	Libraries Branch has informed us that Board Co-chairs are not acceptable; henceforth, the board agrees that Wally Bergen will be the Chair of the Library Board and Mark Crisp will be the Vice Chair. All of the required funding for the Summer Reading Club has been confirmed. Alannah Markert and Tina Edwards are doing an excellent job of planning and promoting the program. Wally, Lorraine, Paul & Wendy will meet to debrief John attended the Trustee Orientation Program (TOP Training) he attended in Prince George in June. It clarified his understanding of the role of a trustee and underscored the importance of the work that libraries do for their communities.

Furnace	Wendy	North Central Heating informed the library that one of our furnaces is running high at 9.1 amps because it is old, and that when it reaches 11 amps in a few years it will need to be replaced.
Reports: Treasurer's Report	Wally/Wendy	Motion: To accept the Treasurer's Report Carried
Friends of the Library Report	Lorraine	The June 10 Book Sale at the Legion was both eventful and a success, bringing in over \$4,000. \$1,400 cash was discovered in a hollow book. When the children of the late owners were contacted they decided to use the money to purchase a memorial bench at the library in their parents' names (Barri and Einar Blix). Two backpacks belonging to students helping unload books for the sale were stolen from outside the building but the Legion's cameras enabled RCMP to identify and locate the thieves. Three RBC staff and their manager assisted with tear-down at the sale and donated \$1,000 to the Friends. Part of the money will be used for a library subscription to The Economist.
Librarian's Report	Wendy	The Friends held their Annual General Meeting in June, immediately followed by a regular meeting. Vandergaag & Bakker have completed their annual audit of the Friends and found no irregularities.
Next Meeting		Motion: To accept the Librarian's Report Carried Wednesday, September 20, 7 p.m. at the Library
Adjournment	Wally	8:55 p.m.