



PARRY SOUND PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, April 10, 2024 @ 9:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Tom Lundy – Chair, Archipelago Rep., Susan Murphy – Vice Chair, Carling Township Rep., Joe Ryman, Municipality of McDougall Rep., Doug McCann, Town of Parry Sound Council Rep., Stephen Heder, Jonathan Baxter, Alhan Rahimi

Regrets: Karen Walker, Sandy Bishop

STAFF: Selena Martens, C.E.O., Rolanda Fraser, Manager, Collections & Community Engagement, Cayla Norrie, Manager, Programming, Marketing & Data Analysis

Guest Speaker: Robert Hiuser, Director, Georgian Bay Chess Association

1. CALL TO ORDER at 9:00 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion #2024 – 245

That we, the Parry Sound Public Library Board, accept the April 10, 2024, agenda, as circulated to all members to be approved.

Moved by: J. Ryman and seconded by D. McCann

Carried

3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – None

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion #2024 – 246

That we, the Parry Sound Public Library Board, approve the April 10, 2024, consent agenda, including the Minutes of the Meeting of January 10, 2024, and the items of correspondence, as circulated to all members to be approved.

Moved by: A. Rahimi and seconded by J. Baxter

Carried

4.1 Minutes:

a) Minutes of Meeting January 10, 2024

4.2 Correspondence –

a) Robert Hiuser

b) Cayla Norrie, PSPL Manager of Programming, Marketing & Data Analysis

c) Raquel Des Roches

d) Rebecca Johnson, Town of Parry Sound

5. IN-CAMERA SESSION - NOT NECESSARY

6. NEW BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

6.1 Robert Hiuser spoke to his letter to the Library Board seeking clarity on the PSPL management's decision to discontinue the partnership with the Georgian Bay Chess Association and the Chess Tournaments previously held at the Parry Sound Public Library.

Cayla Norrie, Manager of Programming, Marketing & Data Analysis also spoke to the Chess Tournament program and its conflicts with current library policies.

The Library Board decided that policies will stand as they are and that Mr. Hiuser would need to seek an alternate venue for the Chess Tournaments.

Robert Hiuser left the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Motion #2024 – 247

That we, the Parry Sound Public Library Board, motion to review Library Policy and provide a written response to Mr. Hiuser by the following Board Meeting (currently scheduled for May 08, 2024.)

Moved by: J. Ryman and Seconded by: D. McCann

Defeated

The Library Board provided verbal decision to Mr. Hiuser at the time of the meeting.

The Library CEO was asked to investigate the Library Board's liability for programs or events which occur on Library property that are not directly Library programs (i.e. when the auditorium has been rented to a third party.)

6.2 The accessibility entrance was discussed.

The Library CEO was directed to consult with the Library's Insurance Provider (through the Town of Parry Sound) regarding coverage in the event that something of this nature were to happen again.

6.3 Motion #2024-249

That we, the Parry Sound Public Library Board, direct the CEO to obtain two (2) quotes for an architectural consultation pertaining to the installation of an elevator/lift in the library and/or other accessible options.

Moved by: J. Ryman and Seconded by A. Rahimi

Carried

6.4 The Multi-Year Accessibility Plan was deferred to the following meeting.

6.5 The Library Board's 2024 Plan was viewed.

Alhan Rahimi left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

7.1 Proposal for Creating Library Accounts for Non-Resident High School Students

The review of OP-12 Circulation was put over into the next batch of policies to be approved as it stands without changes.

7.2 Policy Review – deferred to the following meeting.

8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Motion #2024 – 253

That we, the Parry Sound Public Library Board, accept and approve the Treasurer's Report of disbursements as presented, from December 01 to December 31, 2023, in the amount of \$31,929.91.

Moved by S. Heder and Seconded by S. Murphy

Carried

Motion #2024 – 254

That we, the Parry Sound Public Library Board, accept and approve the Treasurer’s Report of disbursements as presented, from January 01 to January 31, 2024, in the amount of \$42,623.41.

Moved by D. McCann and Seconded by J. Ryman

Carried

Motion #2024 – 255

That we, the Parry Sound Public Library Board, accept and approve the Treasurer’s Report of disbursements as presented, from February 01 to February 29, 2024, in the amount of \$140,197.15.

Moved by J. Baxter and Seconded by D. McCann

Carried

9. CEO REPORT:

The Library Board received the CEO’s report.

10. OTHER DISCUSSION:

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT –

Motion #2024-256

That we, the Parry Sound Public Library Board, accept a motion to adjourn the board meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Moved by D. McCann and seconded by S. Heder

Carried

Next meeting Wednesday, May 08, 2024 @ 9:00 a.m. @ The Library