



THE CITY OF RED DEER LIBRARY BOARD
6:30 p.m. Wednesday November 24, 2021
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Minutes

Present: Shelley Odishaw (Chair), Councillor Bruce Buruma, Laura Thevenaz, Valdene Callin, Jerry Moore, David Murphy, Nancy Batty, Brian Quigg, Shelley Ross (CEO)

Absent: Ray Savage

Welcome and Chair's Remarks

Shelley Odishaw called the meeting to order at 6:56 p.m.

Land acknowledgement: We acknowledge that the land we meet on today is located at the border of Treaty 6, to the North of the Red Deer River, and Treaty 7, to the South of the Red Deer River. We honour and respect the culture, ceremonies and stories of the many nations who made a home on these lands - including the Cree, Blackfoot, Nakota Sioux, Iroquois, Dene, Ojibway, Saulteaux and Inuit - and that this area is a long-established meeting place of the Métis. We are grateful for the traditional knowledge-keepers: elders past, present and emerging. May we live with respect on this land and in peace and friendship with its people.

Conflict of Interest Declaration:

There were no conflicts of interest to declare.

72. Approval of Agenda

a. **MOTION:** That the Board approve the agenda as presented.

QUIGG / MOORE CARRIED

73. Approval of Minutes from the October 19, 2021 Board Meeting

a. **MOTION:** That the Board approve the minutes from the October 19, 2021 Board meeting as presented.

MURPHY / THEVANAZ CARRIED

74. Report from Planning and Finance Committee

- a. MOTION:** That the Board approve the September 2021 financial statements as presented.

QUIGG / BATTY CARRIED

- b. MOTION:** That the Board approve the October 2021 financial statements as presented.

QUIGG / BATTY CARRIED

75. Report from Personnel and Administration Committee

Discussions are ongoing with CUPE and Board education items are currently being determined. Speakers have been lined up for several upcoming meetings with more details to follow.

76. Report from The Friends of the Red Deer Public Library

The Friends successfully hosted the Mayor's Forum via Facebook Live in September, and the event has been accessed over 2400 times since. Book sales continue to be robust. It was also shared that the Friends are enthusiastically supporting a new programming-related initiative involving the addition of a facility dog to the Library, with more details to be shared in the new year.

77. Information Items

2020 Mayor's Recognition Award recipients Dr. Cheryl Cooney and Dr. Richard (Dick) Huddleston were recognized for their contribution to the community as founders of First Thursdays in the Snell. Awards ceremonies were postponed until this year due to the pandemic. Former Chair Mark Waters attended the event.

In an effort to expand the Library's reach and promote visibility in the community, options and ideas are currently being explored.

78. Adjournment

Shelley Odishaw called to adjourn at 7:17 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: January 26 @ 6:30 p.m.

Shelley Odishaw, Chair

Date