



THE CITY OF RED DEER LIBRARY BOARD
6:30 p.m. Wednesday February 23, 2022
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Minutes

Present: Nancy Batty, Valdene Callin, Jerry Moore, David Murphy, Shelley Odishaw (Chair), Carol Puszka, Brian Quigg, Shelley Ross (CEO), Raymond Savage, Laura Thevenaz

Regrets: Councillor Bruce Buruma

Guests: Tatiana Tilly, Library and Community Strategic Initiatives Manager

Welcome and Chair's Remarks

Shelley Odishaw called the meeting to order at 6:32 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.

10. Approval of Agenda

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

MURPHY / MOORE CARRIED

11. Approval of Minutes from the January 26, 2022 Board Meeting

a. MOTION: That the Board approve the minutes from the January 26, 2022 Board meeting as presented.

PUSZKA / CALLIN CARRIED

12. Strategic discussion and Board Development

a. RDPL Plan of Service - Tatiana Tilly, Library and Community Strategic Initiatives Manager

- An overview of the Library's previous and current Plans of Service was presented. PLA's recently published book, *'Strategic Planning for Public Libraries'* by Joy L. Fuller was recommended for planning guidance. Other various tools and resources were shared, such as future public library trends, City of Red Deer 2019-2022 Strategic Goals and Calgary/Edmonton Public Library Plans of Service.

13. Report from Planning and Finance Committee

- 2021 fiscal year audit continues, and will be presented to the Board at the March meeting. Discussed Red Deer and District Community Foundation (RDDCF) managed funds.

a. MOTION: That the Red Deer Public Library surrender funds presently held by the RDDCF in the Marion Roberta Smith fund with the surrendered funds continuing to benefit the Red Deer Public Library.

MOORE / BATTY CARRIED

b. MOTION: That the funds surrendered from the Marion Roberta Smith managed fund to the RDDCF be augmented to be in total \$100,000. Amount to do this will be approximately \$13,000.

MOORE / QUIGG CARRIED

c. MOTION: That the new fund be unrestricted.

MOORE / BATTY CARRIED

14. Report from Personnel and Administration Committee

- Anticipated relaxation of COVID protocols and their impact on Library employees was discussed. The Library will be moving toward a hybrid approach with in-person and virtual programming. Virtual Board meetings are to continue, with the potential of a few in-person meetings depending on the COVID situation and what would work best for the Board.

15. Approval of Red Deer’s 2022 PLSB Public Library Survey and Grant Application

- 2021 Survey and Grant Application for the PLSB requires Board approval to be submitted as part of the annual per capita grant application to PLSB.

a. MOTION: That the Board approve Red Deer’s 2022 PLSB Public Library Survey and Grant Application.

MURPHY / THEVENAZ CARRIED

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

- Members of the Board are invited to attend the Friends’ AGM on March 8.

17. Information Items

- No items were shared

18. Adjournment

Shelley Odishaw adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: March 30, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m.