



THE CITY OF RED DEER LIBRARY BOARD

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 27, 2024
Snell Auditorium

Minutes

Present: Valdene Callin, Councillor Victor Doerksen, Natalie Day Lazenby, Maureen McCall, Jerry Moore, Shelley Odishaw, Brian Quigg, Sabrina Samuel, Laura Thevenaz (virtual)

Regrets: Gabriel Beck

Guests: Grant Stange and Taylor Mochoruk, RSM

Staff Support: Shelley Ross (CEO), Michelle Hollebeke (minutes)

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 – none were declared.

20. Approval of Agenda

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

MOORE / QUIGG CARRIED

21. Approval of Minutes from the February 28, 2024 Board Meeting

a. MOTION: That the Board approve the minutes from the February 28, 2024 Board meeting as presented.

DAY LAZENBY / MCCALL CARRIED

22. 2023 RDPL Audit Presentation – Grant Stange, RSM

a. MOTION: That the Board accept the 2023 Financial Statements and Auditor's Report as presented.

MOORE / DOERKSEN CARRIED

23. Report from Planning and Finance Committee

- All audit findings were considered satisfactory.

24. Report from Personnel and Administration Committee

a. MOTION: That the Committee recommend to the Board the Code of Conduct as presented. - tabled until the next meeting in order to undertake further review.

- Board retreat will be an educational workshop with CoRD Administration to discuss future branch planning and logistics. Will be held in September with a date to be determined.

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

- AGM took place on March 6, and was well-attended by several Board members. Volunteers are being sought for the upcoming book sale in April.

26. Information Items

- Board Out and About –Board member advocacy reports (discussion)

- A member attended StoryTime with Sunnybrook Farm. Another member visited Santa Cruz Library while on a trip to the Galapagos Islands where many literacy initiatives and challenges were found to be similar.

- [February 2024 Monthly Highlights](#)

27. Strategic Discussion and Board Development

- 2023 Annual Report

- volunteers and staff were thanked by the Board for a successful Action Plan in achieving most goals within the Plan of Service.

- Collicutt Branch Pilot Project: Six-Month Review

- the Board shared positive feedback and their enthusiasm regarding the success of the branch.

28. Adjournment - Valdene Callin adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: April 24, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m.