

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Creston Valley Public Library

Date: November 23, 2021

Present: Joan Hedstrom, (chair), Dallas Jordan, Laurie Riehl, Brenda Bruns, Denné Ahlefeld
Regrets: Joanna Wilson, Alison Szpak
Secretary: Saara Itkonen (Library Director)

Call to order: 7:04pm

Approval of Agenda and of Minutes of October 19, 2021 meeting

Motion to accept meeting agenda and previous meeting minutes. M/S Denné/Laurie

Correspondence/Announcements

- Saara gave an update on the recent Union of BC Municipalities conference where motions were passed in support of public libraries. She also spoke about the BC Library Partner's campaign to request 15 million from the provincial government in support of public libraries across the province.

Reports

Chief Librarian's Report

- Saara presented the reports of the library's operations and usage statistics for October.
Motion to accept reports. M/S Laurie/Denné. Carried.

Finance Report

- Saara presented the finance report for October.
Motion to accept the finance report. M/S Dallas/Denné. Carried.

Nominations

- None.

Friends of the Library

- The Friends Booksale was a success. The Friends have also purchased a "guillotine" to break up paperback books for recycling, creating less waste for the dump.

Human Resources

- Saara's performance review is due in January. Dallas and Laurie will work as the HR committee for this process. Joan will send the relevant documents to them.
- The library's collective agreement expires at the end of 2022. Bargaining should commence before then. There have been a lot of changes in staff wages and working conditions during COVID that will require updating in the agreement.

Kootenay Library Federation

- None.

Board Development

- Board homework over the holidays is to read over the Strategic Planning Framework and prepare any edits/additions for the New Year.

Old Business

- None.

New Business

- None.

Strategic Planning

- Board members reviewed and discussed the Draft Strategic Framework. The Board requested more time for review and will bring edits to the January meeting. Saara will add language specific to “digital literacy” for the next draft.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

Next meeting: January 18th, 2021 @ 7pm.