

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Creston Valley Public Library

Date: January 17, 2023

Present:, Joan Hedstrom, (chair), Denné Ahlefeld, Kathy Durnin, Laurie Riehl, Monique Ares (Town Rep)

Regrets: Dallas Jordan, Alison Szpak

Secretary: Saara Itkonen (Library Director)

Call to order: 7:02pm

Approval of Agenda and of Minutes of November 22, 2022 meeting

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

Correspondence/Announcements

- The board read a thank you card from one of our on-call staff
- Joan reminded the board that their self-evaluation is coming up before the AGM
- Monique Ares is the new Town Rep for the board

Reports

Library Operations & Usage Reports

- Saara presented the reports of the library's operations and usage statistics for November & December.

Motion to accept reports. M/S Denné/Kathy. Carried.

Finance Report

- Saara presented the finance report for December.

Motion to accept the finance report. M/S Denné/Kathy. Carried.

Friends of the Library

- Kathy and Joan attended the Friends' holiday dinner in December.

Kootenay Library Federation

- No news.

Human Resources

- Saara will be completing her self-evaluation by January 25th with the review meeting taking place on February 1st.

Old Business

Budget 2023

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- Saara presented several options for 2023's budget and the board discussed the options. Making sure staff wages keep up with inflation emerged as the most important consideration for this year's budget.

Motion to approve the 2023 budget with an anticipated 4% wage increase for staff. If required (after grants & fundraising) any shortfall amounts will be taken from the capital reserve. M/S Kathy/Denné. Carried

New Business

Strategic Framework Outcomes

- Tabled for next meeting.

RDCK Services committee tour invitation

- Saara will email and invite the new members of the CVSC for a library visit and tour.

Term Deposit options

- Tabled for next meeting.

Adjourn: 8:42pm

Next meetings @ 7pm: Feb 21, Mar 14, Apr 18 (AGM & general), May 16, June 20