

## **Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Creston Valley Public Library**

Date: February 28th, 2023

Present:, Joan Hedstrom, (chair), Kathy Durnin, Laurie Riehl, Monique Ares (Town Rep), Dallas Jordan, Alison Szpak

Regrets: Denné Ahlefeld,

Secretary: Saara Itkonen (Library Director)

Call to order: 7:03pm

### **Approval of Agenda and of Minutes of January 17th, 2022 meeting**

Motion to accept meeting agenda and previous meeting minutes. M/S Kathy/Alison

### **Correspondence/Announcements**

- Saara gave an update on new FOIPPA requirements for libraries
- The library has received a large, anonymous donation

### **Reports**

#### Library Operations & Usage Reports

- Saara presented the reports of the library's operations and usage statistics for January.  
Motion to accept reports. M/S Dallas/Alison. Carried.

#### Finance Report

- Saara presented the finance report for January. The board also discussed financial options for the large donations.
- Action item: Saara will check with the credit union about penalty amounts for breaking our current term deposits.
- Action item: Dallas will check with Jason, Saara will check with Kerry about investing the donation in a high interest savings account.  
Motion to accept the finance report. M/S Dallas/Alison. Carried.

#### Friends of the Library

- The Spring booksale will take place on April 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### Kootenay Library Federation

- The next KLF Board and LDAG meetings will be April 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> in Grand Forks. The September meetings will be hosted by Creston.

#### Labour/Management

- No word yet from CUPE about bargaining.

### **Old Business**

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Review 1<sup>st</sup> Year Outcomes of Strategic Framework

- Saara presented the board with a summary of strategic framework services and projects in 2022. The board discussed the various initiatives and arising issues.

Board Recruitment/Succession Planning

- 3 nomination forms have been handed out.
- Action item: Saara will create social media posts asking interested members to join the board.
- Nominations committee: Kathy, Alison, and Joan
- Deadline for nominations is April 11<sup>th</sup>.
- The board discussed the possibility of a “Council Reads” campaign

RDCK Services Committee tour

- Kathy, Joan and Saara provided an orientation and tour for Area Director Kelley Vandenberghe.

Board Self Evaluation

- Suggestions for board development – a board/staff day (add to annual calendar), have orientation included proper understanding of board scope, provide board with library tour during staff hours

8:29 – meeting in camera to discuss director review

8:40 – meeting resumed

Saara shared that the province had just announced increased 3 year funding of 45 million additional funds from the province.

Adjourn: 8:47pm

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