



MINUTES - The Blue Mountains Public Library Board

MEETING DATE: Thursday October 23 2015

LOCATION: L.E. Shore Memorial Library

PREPARED BY: Terri Pope

L. Pier assumed the role of the Chair

1. Call To Order

L. Pier called the meeting to order at 2:10.

Present: L. Pier, M. Pepper, A. Weldon L. Brown, B. Gamble, J. Milne, T. Pope

Regrets: O. Vanderzon, W. Wildman, M. Martin

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: A. Weldon

Seconded by: J. Milne367

To approve the agenda. Carried

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

3.1 Minutes of the previous meeting

3.2 CEO's Report

3.3 Correspondence

Moved by: B Gamble

Seconded by: A. Weldon

To approve the consent agenda including minutes of the September 17 and September 24, 2015 meetings, CEO's report and correspondence. Carried

4. Presentations – none

5. Reports

5.1 CEO Updates

- Class visits from BVCS have resumed
- HVAC – hired a structural Engineer to provide and opinion on the weight of the new units' vs. the old ones and determine if there are any issues with load. Units will not go into production until approval is given based on this latest assessment.

5.2 Budget Variance Report

T. Pope presented the Budget Variance Report.

Moved by: M. Pepper

Seconded by: A. Weldon

To receive the Budget Variance Report. Carried.

5.3 Safety Report

T. Pope presented the Safety Report.

Moved by: J. Milne

Seconded by: A. Weldon

To receive the Safety Report. Carried.

6. Business Carried Forward

6.1 Action Log

L. Pier reviewed the Action Log. T. Pope will contact the organizer for the workshop regarding agenda.

6.2 Review of other charges

Tables until the November meeting.

6.3 Closed Session

Moved by: J. Milne
Seconded by: L. Brown

That with regard to **The Public Libraries Act** R.S.O. 1990 16.1 4b, this Board do now move into closed session in order to address matters pertaining personal matters about an identifiable individual; and 4d, a proposed or pending acquisition or dispositions of land by the board.

Board moved into closed session at 3:11 pm.

Board moved into public session at 3:13 pm.

6.4 Annual Report

J. Milne suggested we need a deadline to get this finished and present it to Council. T. Pope will contact the Clerk for a date in December. A group picture of the Board will be taken at the November meeting. How the report is presented to the public will be a call to action for Council.

6.5 20th Anniversary Gala

T. Pope presented an update on the planning for the event. Suggestions from the Board included having door prizes, selling beer as well as wine. Perhaps finding sponsors for the alcohol.

7. New Business

7.1 Draft Budget 2016

T. Pope provided the Board with a high level view of the draft 2016-2018 Operating Budget. M. Pepper suggested a more detailed review take place at the November meeting.

7.2 E-book pricing.

T. Pope reviewed the toolkit for fair e-book pricing information prepared by The Canadian Library Association Task Force. B. Gamble suggested charging for e-books as a specialized service. T. Pope indicated that under the Library Act we cannot charge for this service. L. Pier reiterated that it is not a specialized service. J. Milne added that e books provide an accessible option because the font size can be adjusted. He also noted that not everything is available in print or e-book so need to provide both.

J. Milne suggested that e-books is a great story to give to the local media. He also suggested we need to look for new revenue streams to offset rising costs.

7.2 House Rental – Beaver Valley Open Door

J. Milne noted that the Board is not equipped to be a landlord. T. Pope noted the report from the County that the costs to make the house livable are \$21,000. Thus the Board is unable to consider the request for housing.

8. Round the Table

No items for discussion

9. Next Meeting Date: Thursday November 19, 2015 @ 2:00 pm.

10. Adjournment

Moved by: L. Brown

That this meeting do now adjourn at 4:45 p.m.

Board Chairperson