



Huntsville Public Library

Library Board Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2023 | 3:00 PM | Library – Friends Multi-purpose Room

Mission Statement

To provide accessible services, programs, collections, and spaces designed to inspire and enrich the community.

Present: Ray Love, Christine Passarello, Monty Clouthier (Council Representative), Robert Greene, Anastasia Lainas, David Tremblay (CEO/Chief Librarian/Secretary)

Regrets: Beth Ward, Tyler Ellis, Andrea Gillespie, James Bowler, Bill Coon

1. Call to Order | 2:59 PM
2. Land Acknowledgement: Read by Board Chair Ray Love
3. Approval of Agenda | July 11th 2023 Motion to approve amended agenda adding to New Business c) Board Member Resignation: Monty Clouthier Seconded: Christine Passarello Carried
4. Declaration of Any Conflicts of Interest: None
5. Approval of Minutes from Board Meeting May 9th, 2023, Motion: Robert Greene Seconded: Anastasia Lainas Carried
6. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a) New Policy Review
 - Protest and Public Demonstration at the Library
 - Motion to approve the policy with the following amendment: remove the word “power” from the definition of Violent. Moved by Christine Passarello Seconded by Monty Clouthier Carried
 - b) Board Committees/Strategic Plan Discussion – Spaces committee to be struck and a call out for any members to join. Board Development Committee to be a ad hoc committee closer to the end of board term. The Board worked on clarifying and cleaning up elements of coming completed strategic plan.
 - c) Board Member Resignation – A board member has resigned due to a move out of municipality. Defer discussion about vacancy to August meeting.
7. Committee Reports & Business Arising from Committee Reports

- a) Council Representative Report – Nothing to report currently.
- b) Chair Report/Friends Report – Chair spoke to great fundraising work Friends of the Library do for the library. The Friends have had new members join recently due to article in Forester Newspaper.
- c) CEO Report – CEO spoke to Labyrinths in Libraries initiative.
- d) Monthly Finance Report – Overall budget looking well. Fines Revenue is not tracking with budgeted revenue expected.
- e) Youth Services Librarian Report
- f) Community Engagement Coordinator Report

Motion to Approve Committee Reports: Monty Clouthier Seconded: Robert Greene

8. Roundtable

- a) Board impressed by scope of what is done by the medium sized public library that is Huntsville Public Library.

9. In Camera - Library Act, 1990:

- a) Section 16.1 (4) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual
 - Motion to Move In-Camera: Anastasia Lainas Seconded: Christine Passarello 4:18PM
 - Motion to exit In-Camera: Anastasia Lainas 4:30PM

10. Business Arising from In-Camera (if applicable) - None

11. Date of Next Meeting – Aug 8th 3:00PM in the Friends Multipurpose Room - Hybrid

12. Adjournment 4:31PM Motion: Robert Greene