

Meeting Minutes City of Grande Prairie Library Board

Tuesday, June 8, 2021 Zoom Video Meeting

Attendees

Present: D. Cryderman (Library Director), N. Chappell (Chair), G. Scerbak (Vice Chair), D. Normington, M. Evans, E. Fisher, E. Friesen, M Pollock

Regrets: J. Makus Recording Secretary: N. Hojka

1. Call to order

Board Chair N. Chappell calls the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

1.1 Approval of Agenda

Addition of Item 4.2 Community Groups Funding.

Moved by E. Friesen. Seconded by G. Scerbak.

CARRIED

2. Consent Agenda

- 2.1 Approval of the minutes of the May 11, 2021 Board Minutes
- 2.2 Library Report

N. Chappell confirms the consent agenda is adopted.

3. Items for Information

The Board accepts the items for information as presented.

4. Items for Discussion/Action

4.1 Report Board Hours (Monthly Request)

Board members reported their volunteer hours for May.

4.2 Community Group Funding

D. Cryderman was informed that Community Group Funding will be reduced to below 2021 levels. The current funding proposed for 2022 is \$1,632,660. Council will be meeting June 9 to discuss.

D. Normington informed the board that this funding cut will lead to a reduction in hours and staffing and reminded the board that GPPL funding is well behind comparable communities.

D. Cryderman to provide information to E. Friesen to present to council in support of GPPL's original funding ask for 2022.

5. Items for Decision 5.1 Financial Statements

Moved by D. Normington. Seconded by M. Evans. That the board accepts the April balance sheet and income statement.

CARRIED

5.2 Board Committee Reports

5.2.1 Finance Committee – D. Normington informed the board that M. Evans is the new chair of the forthcoming Friends of the Library. The inaugural meeting had six members and the executive positions have all been filled. The Friends also established both finance and stewardship committees which are currently reviewing bylaws and getting ready to formally re-establish the Friends of the Library.

5.2.2 HR Committee – Nothing to report at this time.

5.2.3 Planning Committee – Nothing to report at this time.

5.3 Policy – Section 8: Library Materials

Policy 8.2 Donations moved to 2.6 in the administrative section. Move donation of library materials to 8.1 Collection Management. Renumber Intellectual Freedom to 8.2.

The board to review Policy 2.6 Donations in September.

Moved by M. Evans. Seconded by M. Pollock. That the library materials policies be approved as amended.

CARRIED

5.4 In-camera discussion (standing item)

Not required at this meeting.

6. Other

6.1 News

M. Evans informed the board that the Friends of the Library is looking for new members so please refer those interested to the Friends group. The next meeting is June 29.

E. Fisher reported that GP Pride was able to get sponsors for drive-in movie events and also that the radiothon raised more than \$23K in one day for the Hospital Foundation.

G. Scerbak emailed the city manager expressing concern about community group funding.

N. Chappell loved seeing GPPL's pride month celebrations.

D. Cryderman updated the board that GPPL will likely be open Thursday June 10. Emerging Technologies Librarian C. Anderson began a fundraiser featuring one book per week to purchase additional eBooks and eAudiobooks. This first week raised \$113 in donations.

7. Next Meeting

September 14, 2021

8. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Minutes Approved:

Chairperson

Date