

**WETASKIWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

DATE: Tuesday March 17, 2009

TIME: 5:00 P.M.

LOCATION: Library Program Room

CHAIRPERSON: Marilyn Keller

Present: Marilyn Keller Fred Hollands
Barbara Macdonald Angela Greenidge
Jason Tran Bill Elliot
Lionel Desharnis
Carol Anderson Carla Frybort (staff)

Excused: Deb Ferguson

Absent:

Marilyn Keller called the meeting to order at 5:01 P.M.

1. Appointments

1.1. Introduction of Heather Willner, new assistant manager

Carla introduced Heather to the Board. Heather has been with the library for over a year in a library assistant II position. Heather is a certified library technician with many years of experience. She has worked in large systems and very small libraries including Saskatoon Public and Grande Prairie. Heather will be attending the board meeting starting in April as the recording secretary.

2. Approval of Agenda

Macdonald/Anderson moved that the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried.

3. Approval of minutes of the February Regular Board Meeting

Elliot/Hollands moved that the minutes be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

4. Unfinished business

4.1

4.2

5. New business/added items

5.1 Library building/Reno update (Bill)

Bill explained that at the end of 2008, Cannon Design was hired to do a study looking at the possibility of an updated recreation centre in Wetaskiwin. The

study looked at different ideas ranging from renovating the existing pool, building a brand new pool, to also adding a library to a new pool. The library is included in two of the options. At this point, the City is trying to secure grant and other funding for the project including partnerships with the County. Bill pointed out that other communities have built similar multi-use facilities and they are very well used. Fred asked if having a pool and library together was a wise idea because of humidity. Carla answered that other pool/library combos work very well and although the facilities are attached the heating/cooling systems are separate. Angela asked if the Library Board would have to look at fundraising. Bill answered that the library and Memorial Society could combine their forces. Bill reminded everyone that this idea is heavily dependant on funding so if the grants will not be made available the multi-use facility likely would not be built.

6. Librarian's Reports –

Carla presented her report. She added that there have been many issues over the last month involving intoxicated people entering the library. These individuals often enter as groups and there have been issues with the washrooms, harassment of staff and volunteers, and waking the ones who have passed out. The RCMP has been called on a few occasions.

7. Committee Reports

7.1 Fundraising and PR – Marilyn Keller (March 12 meeting)

7.1.1 Tradeshow information

The following trustees will be attending the tradeshow:

Friday:

Barb/Marilyn –Setup

Carol – 4-6 p.m.

Lionel – 6-8 p.m.

Saturday:

Fred – 10-Noon

Deb – Noon- 2 p.m.

Marilyn - 2-4 p.m.

Carla will be at the tradeshow Friday and Saturday.

7.2 Plan of service/Policy –

6.2.1 No meeting

Next meeting:

7.3 Finance - no report.

6.3.1

7.4 Board Development Committee

6.4.1 No meeting –

- 8. YRL Report – March 16 meeting
Bill updated everyone on the governance review that was just done of the YRL board structure. The review looked at how the Board functions and what changes can be made. At the meeting, all of the committees were dissolved and the executive committee was given more decision making power. Bill brought handouts for each trustee about the proposed changes.
Bill also said that a response from the MLA consultations sessions on libraries is slated to come out at the ALC conference.
Bill also pointed out that the new Trustee Voice newsletter is out and available online.

- 9. Correspondence
 - 9.1 January and February Marigold report
 - 9.2

- 10. Action List

- 11. In camera items

- 12. Next meeting: April 21, 2009 at 5:00 P.M.

- 13. Adjournment
Fred Hollands moved that the meeting be adjourned at 6:15 PM.
Motion Carried

Chairman _____
Secretary _____
Date _____