

Waterloo Public Library

Regular Meeting of the Board Via Zoom



Board Meeting Minutes

January 26, 2022

Waterloo Public Library – Board Meeting Minutes – 26/01/2022

Board Members Attending: K. Coviello (Chair) 5:18 p.m.; D. Charlton; R. Harder; K. McManus (Vice-Chair); F. Mensink; J. Murphy; I. Pandit; J. Strong

Staff: L. Clarke (CEO); G. Van Eek Meijers (Deputy CEO); Laura Dick (Manager, Branches)

Regrets: Councillor D. Freeman

1. Call to order:

1.1 Land Acknowledgment – K. McManus

K. McManus (Vice-Chair) called the meeting to order.

2. Welcome and introduction of our new Board member - Jennifer Murphy

3. Approval of the agenda

Item # 6 – Deferred

Moved by D. Charlton, seconded by F. Mensink, that the agenda be approved as amended

Motion carried.

4. Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the nature thereof - None

5. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting November 24, 2021

Moved by J. Strong, seconded by R. Harder, to approve the minutes of the November 24, 2021 meeting as amended.

Motion carried.

6. Staff presentation – Madison Paulozza, Collections – Simply Analytics product

Deferred

K. Coviello assumed Chair

7. Business arising from the minutes

7.1 OLBA Diversity, Equity and Inclusion training opportunities - F. Mensink

F. Mensink shared a summary of DEI training articles and videos available, as well as upcoming OLA Super Conference sessions on this topic. Board members will review the sources presented with the goal of engaging discussion at a future Board meeting.

8. Correspondence

- None

9. Chair update – K. Coviello

- None

10. Committee Reports

- None

11. Information items

11.1 Eastside Branch Report – L. Dick

- Milestone achieved with Eastside Branch occupancy granted on Thursday January 17, 2022
- In alignment with the environmental literacy theme of the Eastside Branch, we have partnered with Alveole to implement an urban apiary at the Branch. This unique Bee Project partnership will introduce the community to the pollinator role bees play in every aspect of the ecosystem, supporting the growth of trees, flowers, and other plants, which serve as food and shelter for creatures large and small. Alveole will provide a dedicated beekeeper and offer workshops and webinars
- L. Dick, along with our Eastside architects Tina Ranieri-D'Ovidio (ward99 architects) and Matthew Muller (John MacDonald Architect) will be presenting at this year's OLA Superconference. "A Little Bit of Luck, a Whole Lot of Planning: Designing a New Library in the Midst of a Global Pandemic". Thursday February 3, 2022
- Opening for the Eastside Branch is planned for the spring, date tbd

11.2 CEO Report – L. Clarke

- The Eastside Branch sponsorship marketing campaign has been very successful with all named spaces sponsored along with many \$500 donations for a donor's name to be displayed on the beautiful donor wall
- Reduced library hours, Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and closed Sundays, will continue through February. Regular hours will resume in early March depending on the Province of Ontario Covid-19 Reopening Act guidelines

12. Other Business

- None

13. In-camera for the purpose of considering the following subject matter – personal matters about an identifiable individual

Moved by F. Mensink, seconded K. McManus, to move in-camera.

Motion carried

Moved by K. McManus, seconded by J. Murphy to move out-of-camera.

Motion carried.

14. Date of next regular meeting

Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 5:00pm via Zoom

15. Adjournment

Moved R. Harder, seconded by J. Strong, that the meeting be adjourned

Motion carried.