

Bracebridge Public Library Board Meeting
Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 7 p.m.
MINUTES

Present: A. Freer (Chair), T. Henderson, B. Hutchinson, P. Schofield, M. Mayes-Stewart,
L. Jacob, C. Wilson, C. Rodney (CEO)

Regrets: T. Barker, C.A. Robinson

1. Call to Order by the Chair:

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion: To accept the agenda for January 9, 2018

Moved by: L. Jacob, seconded by P. Schofield. CARRIED

3. Delegation/guests: Ruth Holtz

This year the Library is celebrating its 110th anniversary. We have declared 2018 the "Year of Learning". There will be an event held every month with a special speaker. Some of the topics will be holistic medicine, dentures and denture care, wills & estate planning, etc... Ruth will forward a summary of dates and sessions to Board members. We will continue to have our usual programming on top of these special events (tech talk, author readings, travelogues, etc.)

4. Approval of the Minutes of the previous meeting:

Motion: To accept the minutes of Tuesday December 12, 2017 with minor changes

Moved by: T. Henderson, seconded by M. Mayes-Stewart. CARRIED

5. Business Arising:

5.1 RPF for the Capital Financing Plan and Operating Business Plan for a Multi-Use Community Facility – Contract expected to be awarded at General Committee meeting on January 16, 2018. C. Rodney received an email from Cindy O'Regan to inform us that they received no tenders and that this matter is in abeyance at the moment.

6. Correspondence:

6.1 Memo from Mayor Graydon Smith has been forwarded to Library Board by the CEO via Council Correspondence regarding Mayor's efforts to advocate for infrastructure funding specifically for the proposed arena and library facility.

6.2 Privacy Commission Report – Email received by CEO and Board Chair regarding submission of annual statistics on the number of freedom of information requests received in the calendar year. The CEO has never received any requests.

6.3 OLA communication regarding provincial library budget advocacy. A webinar is being held on January 16th regarding tips and resources for conducting a meeting with local MPPs to educate them about libraries, the need for funding, etc. The webinar time conflicts with our CEO's attendance at General Committee but the webinar information is available online. We have met with our MPP – Norm Miller before and he is very supportive of the library. The Muskoka Library CEO's are currently arranging a joint meeting with Mr. Miller.

7. Ad hoc/Standing Committee Reports:

7.1 Friends of the Library – A. Freer: Nothing to report at this time

7.2 Policy Committee – Nothing to report at this time

- 8. CEO Report:** There have been some new things happening; Toasty Teens – 5 teens and 1 adult were able to leave with a coat thanks to the many donations we received; Frostyfest had a very good turnout with crafts, games and a snack – parents were keen; Literature and Libations book club held its first meeting – run by Ashleigh and Sarah – 6 people attended; and Tech Talk is still very popular.
- 9. Financial Report:**
- 9.1** This is not a quarterly report so no motion is required. We are still waiting for several invoices to come in. It may be March before we have the final tally on the year end for 2017.
- 10. New Business:**
- 10.1 OLA Conference Jan 30- Feb 3:** C. Rodney and Staff member Sarah Babineau will be attending this event. Barb Hutchinson will be attending on behalf of the Library Board.
- 10.2 Library research by Board members:**
Everyone received a copy of the report from the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario. It was shocking just how much violence there is in schools. Thank you M. Mayes-Stewart for bring this information to us.
- 11. Closed session**
Motion: To move into closed session.
Moved by: M. Mayes-Stewart, seconded by C. Wilson. CARRIED
- Motion: To move out of closed session.
Moved by: C. Wilson, seconded by T. Henderson. CARRIED
- 12. Date of Next Meeting:** Tuesday, February 13, 2018, 7 p.m.
- 13. Adjournment declared by the Chair:** 9:02 pm.