



Board Meeting December 20, 2017 Minutes

Guests:

Present: Martin Domeij, Cari Lynn Gawletz, Ralph Russell, William Pritchard, Mary Kierans, William Caley, Elise Rimbey, David Rostek, Michelle Boyd

Regrets:

Call to order: 10:02AM

Acceptance of Agenda (William P., William C. – carried)

Consent Agenda (William C., Ralph – carried)

Minutes: March 15, 2017 Minutes

Correspondence:

Delegations / Announcements

Reports

1. Financial Report (attached) **(William P., Mary – carried)**
2. Librarian's Report (attached) **(William P., William C. – carried)**
3. Kootenay Library Federation (KLF) Report
4. Friends of the Library Report
5. BC Library Trustees Association (BCLTA) Report

Old Business

1. Building

Motion: To proceed in principle with the construction of one male and one female washroom with handicapped access for the public (Ralph, Mary).

It was discussed that it is more inclusive, safe, and easier to monitor if the public washrooms are individually contained rooms with one toilet and one sink. Cari wants the washrooms to be non-gendered, and has suggested that two basic washrooms and one fully accessible washroom would be best.

Amended motion: To proceed in principle with the construction of three non-gendered public washrooms, with at least one being fully accessible. (carried)

2. Social

Michelle provided an update regarding the staff/board appreciation party happening at her home on January 21. She has asked that members of the Board bring a dish – Cari will send out a sign-up email for that. She will provide a map to her house.

New Business

1. Policy

The Policy Committee put forward changes to the policies regarding donations and lost items. The nature and location of these changes can be found in the Policy Manual Revisions section (Appendix O) of the Policy Manual.

Motion: to adopt the changes to the Policy Manual as presented (Mary, William C., carried)

2. Resource Sharing Grant

The library lost a substantial amount of money from the Libraries Branch Resource Sharing Grant (about \$2000 less) in 2017 compared to 2016. The grant is calculated on a piece-rate for interlibrary loans sent from our library to other libraries via a program called Agent.

Cari explained that over the last three years, Grand Forks has been part of a different interlibrary loans program called Interlibrary Connect. Interlibrary Connect is a much more popular system, and has almost entirely usurped Agent use for borrowing from and lending to other libraries, at least in Grand Forks. Unfortunately, items lent via Interlibrary Connect are not currently considered in the Libraries Branch Resource Sharing grant allocation, which is why we saw such a decrease in funding.

Motion: the Board will send a letter to the Libraries Branch and share it with other relevant parties on this issue. (Mary, Ralph – carried)

Questions from the Public

Adjournment

11:17AM

(William C., William P. – carried)

Next meeting: January 17, 2018 10:00AM