

GRAND VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Minutes Wednesday March 11, 2020

PRESENT: Chair: Carol Hall
Board members: Rahmatu Etti-Balogun
Julie vanAlstine
Town of Grand Valley rep.: Philip Rentsch
Amaranth rep.: Mark Tijssen
East Garafaraxa rep.: Fran Pinkney
CEO Joanne Stevenson

REGRETS: Board members: Shane di Benedetto

1. **Call to order.** 7:17pm
2. We [I] would like to acknowledge that we are on the the Haldimand Tract, land promised to the Haudenosaunee **(HOE day na shun ay)** people of Six Nations, which includes six miles on each side of the Grand River. This territory is the traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishnaabeg **(On ish KNOB eck)**, and Haudenosaunee **(HOE day na shun ay)** Peoples.
3. **Approval of the agenda.**
MOTION #1: Moved by J.vanAlstine, seconded by F. Pinkney, that the agenda be approved.
4. **No declaration of any conflicts of interest at this time.**
5. **Minutes of the February 12, 2020 meeting.**
MOTION #2: Moved by J. vanAstine, seconded by R. Etti-Balogun, that the minutes of the February 12, 2020 meeting, be approved.
6. **Business arising from the minutes.**
7. **Correspondence.**
7.1 Donation from Orica Canada for \$3,000.
MOTION #3: Moved by F. Pinkney, seconded by J. vanAlstine that the correspondence be received
8. **Financial Report.**
8.1 **Operating.**
MOTION #4: Moved by R. Etti-balogun, seconded by J. vanAlstine, that the Board approve payment of the expenses for the month of February (\$23,640.57)
8.2 **Capital.** No Expenses to report

9. **Committee Reports.**

9.1 **Finance.** 2020 Budget.

East Garafraxa has approved the 2020 Library Board Budget..

9.2 **Personnel, Administration and By-laws.**

C.E.O Personnel review date: March 13, 2020 @ 11:30 am

9.3 **Advocacy.**

The Library will have a booth at the Grand Valley Lions Club Community Workshop on April 4.

9.4 **Strategic Planning.**

Town of Grand Valley is having a public meeting on Tuesday, March 24.

9.5 **Information Technology/Communications.**

10. **Chair Report.**

The Chair invites all of the board to bring the children in their lives to the Children's March Break programs. Attending Meeting with Sylvia Jones on Monday, March 16 with the other libraries in the Dufferin/Caledon riding.

11. **CEO Report.**

CEO attended the AMPLO meeting on March 6, 2020.

Key Points from SOLS

- SOLS & OLS- North recognized the need to amalgamate and are in the process for approval from the boards.
- Governance Hub – Trustee Council Meeting, April 18, 10am-1pm in Listowel, registration will be in Learn HQ.
- Webinar: The Public Libraries Act: what you need to know, is available through Governance Hub, webinars.

FOPL News – The government has state that libraries are part of the DC(Development) charges & not the CBC(Community Benefit Charges).

Williams HR Law- presentation on Harassment/Addictions/Mental illness, employee/employer responsibilities and rights.

Ongoing programs have been well attended even with a change of staff. The March Break programs are running next week. Home Alone Course is scheduled for Monday, March 16. Registration is also available for the next date of June 6. Children have these 2 opportunities to attend the course if they wish to take the Babysitting Course as it is prerequisite and mandatory.

Carpet cleaning/Chairs will be done on Monday, April 13(Easter Monday). The library will be closed for Long weekend.

12. **New business.** No new business.

13. **Next meeting.** Wednesday April 8, 2020. 7:15 p.m. McGinnis Room.

14. **Motion to adjourn.** 7:45 p.m. J. VanAlstine.