

# GRAND VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Minutes Wednesday, April 10, 2019

**PRESENT:** Chair: Carol Hall  
Board members: Shane di Benedetto  
Julie vanAlstine  
Rahmatu Etti-Balogun  
East Garafaraxa rep.: Fran Pinkney  
CEO: Joanne Stevenson

**REGRETS:** Town of Grand Valley rep.: Philip Rentsch  
Amaranth rep.: Mark Tijssen

1. **Call to order** 7:15 p.m.
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 F. Pinkney, seconded by J. vanAlstine, that the agenda be approved.
4. **No declaration of any conflicts of interest at this time.**
5. **Minutes of the March 13, 2019 meeting.**  
**MOTION #2:** Moved by J. vanAlstine, seconded by F. Pinkney, that the minutes of the March 13, 2019 meeting be approved as amended.
6. **Business arising from the minutes.**
  - 6.1 Carpet  
The carpet was replaced on Saturday, April 6. Shelves were adjusted on Wednesday, April 10 to meet the standard requirements for accreditation and accessibility.
7. **Correspondence.**  
SOLS (Southern Ontario Library Service) Signal. Newsletter.  
**MOTION #3:** Moved by F. Pinkney, seconded by J. vanAlstine that the correspondence be received.  
Board members can sign up to receive the newsletter from the governance website and if they wish to attend any webinars or workshops need to create a LearnHq account and register on LearnHq.

8. **Financial Report.**

8.1 **Operating.**

**MOTION #4:** Moved by J. vanAlstine, seconded by R. Etti-Balogun, that the Board approve payment of the expenses for the month of March (\$21,086.78)

8.2 **Capital** No report

8.3 **1st Quarter Financial Report**

**MOTION#5:** Moved by F. Pinkney, seconded by S. di Benedetto, that the 1st Quarter Financial report be received.

9. **Committee Reports.**

9.1 **Finance.** No Report

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

**MOTION#6:** Moved by J. vanAlstine, seconded by F. Pinkney that the Grand Valley Public Library Board approve the Board Duties and Responsibilities policy.

**MOTION#7:** Moved by J. vanAstine, be it resolved that: Grand Valley Public Library Board proceed into closed session in order to address a matter pertaining to: personal matters about an identifiable individual, including Board members or Library personnel at approximately 7:35pm.  
All in favour. Carried

**MOTION#8:** Moved by J. vanAlstine, be it resolved that: Grand Valley Public Library Board rise and report at approximately 7:44pm.  
All in favour. Carried

Further discussion and clarification needed before a decisions can be made.

9.3 **Advocacy.**

Advocacy committee meeting date is Friday, April 12 at 10:30am.

AODA and Ontario Human Rights Codes online training courses will be completed by board members on April 19 at 10:00am at the library.

9.4 **Strategic Planning.** No report

9.5 **Information Technology/Communications.** No report.

10. **Chair Report.** No Report

11. **CEO Report**

SOLS is reviewing the eBook Vendors, they are recommending a 2% increase to next years budgets to offset any increases.

Attended meeting for DC Moves on March 20, 2019.

Attended meeting for Town of Grand Valley Development Charges on March 25, 2019. The Town of Grand Valley is presently reviewing all Development charges.

Reviewed the 1st quarterly statistics for Grand Valley Public Library.

New upcoming programs : Saturday, May 4th - family tech day

Saturday, May 11th - Mother's day tea.

April 17th- Coffee, conversation & books with Claire Smith.

Sharp containers have become an issue in other libraries and public spaces. Grand Valley Public Library is researching and reaching out to others that will be involved to develop a policy that the library will be able to be able to implement. A meeting will be held on May 2 at the library with the following confirmed to attend :Town of Grand Valley Deputy Clerk, Dufferin County Health & Safety Advisor, Dufferin Ambulance Services, Library Health & Safety representative, Manager of the Grand Valley & District Community Centre. Town of Grand Valley Public Works Superintendent and their Health & Safety Representative have not responded.

Accessibility Plan will need to be updated to meet the accreditation standards. This will be completed when the Town of Grand Valley's accessibility plan has been updated and finalized.

12. **New business.**

Framed photos of past Grand Valley Public Library Boards are to be hung in the McGinnis Room.

CEO is to obtain quotes to place lettering with the hours of the library on the entrance doors.

13. **Next meeting.** Wednesday, May 8th, 2019. 7:15 p.m. McGinnis Room.

14. **Motion to adjourn.** 8:30 p.m. S. di Benedetto.