

Georgina Public Library Board
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
November 17, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

Zoom

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:03 p.m.

2. First Nations Acknowledgement Statement

“The Town of Georgina recognizes and acknowledges that we are on lands originally used and occupied by the First Peoples of the Williams Treaties First Nations and other Indigenous Peoples, and we would like to thank them for sharing this land. We would also like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our close neighbour and friend, one with which we strive to build a cooperative and respectful relationship. We also recognize the unique relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory. They are the water protectors and environmental stewards of these lands and we join them in these responsibilities.”

3. Roll Call

The following Board Members were present:

Mary Catherine Macaluso, Chair
Bobbi Sabatini, Vice-Chair
Rita Beechey
Leslie Johnstone
Nancy Rodrigues
Adrienne McDowell
Shari Hawkins
Naomi Davison (arrived late)

The following Board Members were absent with notice:

Councillor Dave Neeson

The following staff members were in attendance:

Valerie Stevens, *Director of Library Services/CEO*
Serena Hamlyn, *Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)*
Ruth Berry, *eServices Library Technician*

4. Introduction of Addendum Items

5. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Leslie Johnstone, Seconded by Nancy Rodrigues

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2022-117

That the Georgina Public Library Board meeting Agenda of November 17, 2022 be approved as presented

Carried.

6. Announcements - None

7. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest – None

8. Adoption of the Past Minutes – October 20, 2022 Board meeting minutes

Moved by Shari Hawkins, Seconded by Rita Beechey

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2022-118

That the minutes of the October 20, 2022 Board meeting be adopted as circulated

Carried.

9. Delegations/Speakers – None

10. Presentations – None

11. Consent Agenda

- a. Branch Report
- b. Work Plan Update
- c. Financial Statement –October 2022

Moved by Bobbi Sabatini, Seconded by Adrienne McDowell

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2022-119

That Item 11 – Consent Agenda be received as circulated.

Carried.

12. Verbal Communications

a. CEO Update (V. Stevens)

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

- CEO participated in Council Orientation on November 9
- CEO attended Inaugural Council Meeting on November 15
- Programming staff attended the Town's Family Fright Fiesta event, where they spoke with over 1,000 people about Library programs and services

SPACES

- Peter Gzowski branch welcomed students back into the branch in October for the first time since the pandemic began
- Carpet replacement in Pepperlaw was completed on November 15; some minor shelving adjustments still to be completed

PEOPLE & LEADERSHIP

- Hiring is ongoing for additional Casual Library Clerks & Library Students; otherwise, all permanent positions are filled effective Nov 26

COLLECTIONS & PROGRAMS

- Fun & successful author event on October 24 with members of the Georgina Ice leading some hockey-themed activities.

TECHNOLOGY

- Nothing to report

b. Board Chair Update (M.C. Macaluso)

- The Board Chair has been attending the Strategic Planning committee meetings, and the Legacy document committee meetings
- The Board Chair continues to meet regularly with the CEO
- The Board Chair attended the Victorian Tea on November 13th, hosted by the Friends of the Library

c. Friends of the Library Update (B. Sabatini)

- The Friends hosted the Tea Party on November 13 at De La Salle.
 - The event was very well attended.
 - Some new people attended, as well as attendees from past years
- Unofficial numbers indicate the event raised close to \$2,600. Minus expenses, the amount is approximately \$1,500.
- The Friends are considering holding the event at the Kin Hall next year

(N. Davison arrived)

d. Strat planning committee update

- The Committee met with S. Krauss on Oct 21
 - had a robust discussion where the focus was on setting the specific goals we want to achieve.
 - working on what themes we want to include in the plan
- Next step is narrowing down goals
- The Committee's next meeting is scheduled for tomorrow

Moved by Nancy Rodrigues, Seconded by Shari Hawkins

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2022-120

That items 12 a., b., c., and d Verbal Communications be received as presented

Carried.

13. Old Business

- a. Board Legacy Document

The Board Legacy Document will be brought back to the December Board meeting with the discussed changes made.

14. New Business

- a. Policy Review: Financial Policy

Moved by Bobbi Sabatini, Seconded by Nancy Rodrigues

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2022-121

That the Financial Policy be accepted as amended

Carried.

b. Board Holiday Gathering

The start time of the December 15th Board meeting will moved up to 5:00pm, in order for the Board members to hold a holiday gathering after the meeting.

Moved by Leslie Johnstone, Seconded by Bobbi Sabatini

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2022-122

That the Board be permitted to spend the budget normally allotted for the Holiday Board Gathering on a staff recognition program at the discretion of the CEO at all three branches of Georgina Public Library

Carried.

15. Other business

a. Board Self-evaluation

The Board Vice-Chair reminded the Board members to complete the self-evaluation survey. The Board Vice-Chair will resend the link to the survey to the Board members.

16. Closed Session - None

17. Next Meeting Date /Time

December 15, 2022 @ 5:00 p.m. – Zoom

18. Adjournment

Moved by Bobbi Sabatini, Seconded by Naomi Davison

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2022-123

That the Georgina Public Library Board meeting of November 17, 2022 adjourn at 8:12 p.m.

Carried.

Mary Catherine Macaluso
Board Chair


Recording Secretary