

**MINUTES OF THE FIFTEENTH MEETING OF  
THE GREATER SUDBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
Zoom Meeting

Commencement: 4:34 p.m.  
Adjournment: 6:40 p.m.

**PRESENT**

M. Bellmore, Councillor M. Signoretti, C. Zuliani, M. Lalonde, S. Townend

**REGRETS**

S. Belanger

**CITY STAFF**

Mette Krüger – Interim CEO  
Ian Wood – Executive Director of Strategic Initiatives, Communications and Citizen Services  
Patricia Cote – Administrative Assistant in Strategic Initiatives, Communications and Citizen Services

**GUEST SPEAKER**

Steven Kraus – Ontario Library Service - North

Meeting was called to order.

**AGENDA**

The following motion was presented:

2020-21 S. Townend / M. Lalonde

THAT the agenda of the Fifteenth meeting of the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**DECLARATIONS OF  
CONFLICT OF INTEREST  
AND GENERAL NATURE  
THEREOF**

None declared

**MINUTES**

The following motion was presented:

2020-22 C. Zuliani / M. Lalonde

THAT the minutes of the Fourteenth Meeting of the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board held on May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

## **BOARD ORIENTATION**

### **CFLA Communique: Anti-Black Racism and Public Libraries**

M. Krüger provided information, published by the Canadian Federation of Library Associations, which was prompted by the current situation in Minnesota. The communique also reminds us that although public libraries strive to be open and inclusive, there are still gaps that require attention. M. Krüger will bring information forward as it becomes available.

### **Library Boards and By-Laws – Steven Kraus, Ontario Library Service - North**

M. Krüger introduced S. Kraus to the Board members. S. Kraus spoke to constitutional bylaws and the importance of such by-laws for public libraries. S. Kraus has reviewed the Greater Sudbury Public Library draft constitutional and procedural by-laws and provided input and recommendations to the Board. A copy of these recommendations will be provided to the members for reference and consideration.

## **POLICY REVIEW**

### **Membership and Circulation Policy**

M. Krüger updated the Board regarding the current changes to this policy, which are a direct response to the current pandemic. Since March 25<sup>th</sup>, the Greater Sudbury Public Library has not been collecting overdue fines from patrons as a direct result of COVID-19. M. Krüger provided a breakdown of the new process of receiving materials back from patrons. Staff recommended that overdue fines be temporarily eliminated until the end of the pandemic. A discussion took place regarding the temporary elimination of overdue fines. The Board consensus was to temporarily eliminate overdue fines and review this decision at the September meeting.

The following motion was presented:

2020-23 C. Zuliani / M. Lalonde

THAT the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board temporarily eliminate overdue fines with a review of this practice at the September 24th, 2020 meeting.

**CARRIED**

## **PRESENTATION**

### **Junction East Update**

Ian Wood, Executive Director, Strategic Initiatives, Communications and Citizen Services advised the Board a presentation was made to council on June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Additional information was requested during the presentation and will be brought forward at the July 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. Council has asked that no awarding of this RFP be completed until the information is presented and dealt with. A lengthy discussion took place

breaking down next steps.

## **REPORTS**

### **Chair's Report**

None at this time.

### **CEO's Report**

M. Krüger provided the Board with an update of the online programming among other changes due to the current pandemic and highlighted some successes.

### **Report on Phased Reopening of Library Services**

M. Krüger provided an update to the board regarding the Stage 2 reopening guidelines, which have been outlined by the Provincial of Ontario.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Governance Transition- Budget Process for 2021**

I. Wood advised the Board that dates for submitting the 2020-2021 budget have not yet been confirmed. The delay is a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. I. Wood will provide the dates once they have been set. I. Wood confirmed that the library budget for 2021, drafted by staff, would be presented for the Board's review and feedback at an upcoming meeting. Budgets are presented in November but may be delayed due to the current pandemic.

## **RECESS INTO CLOSED MEETING**

The following motion was presented:

2020-24 C. Zuliani / Councillor M. Signoretti

THAT the Board moves into a closed meeting to discuss a Board Matter.

**CARRIED**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The following motion was presented:

2020-25 C. Zuliani / M. Lalonde

THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 6:40 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Mette Krüger, Secretary

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Mark Signoretti, Vice Chair