

The Richmond Hill Public Library Board
Thursday, May 16, 2019

MINUTES

The Richmond Hill Public Library Board held its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, May 16, 2019 in the Boardroom at Central Library, 1 Atkinson Street, Richmond Hill, Ontario.

Present: Councillor Greg Beros – remote attendance
Stephen Chait
Regional and Local Councillor Joe Di Paola
Claire Yuanfeng Geng
Gwen Johnstone, Vice Chair
Alicia Lauzon
Councillor Tom Muench
Regional and Local Councillor Carmine Perrelli – remote attendance
Mahnaz Shahbazi
Jane Zhang

Staff: Louise Procter Maio, Chief Executive Officer
Mary Jane Celsie, Director, Content
Catherine Charles, Director, Community Connections
Barbara Ransom, Director, Customer Experiences
Nusrat Ahmed, Executive Manager, Business Services
Eva Liu, Executive Manager, Talent and Culture

Greg Patterson, Manager, Central Library
Susan Quinn, Advisor, Business Services

1.0 Call to Order

The Vice-Chair called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. She announced Councillor Li's resignation from the Board and noted his years of service, and welcomed the new Board members, Regional and Local Councillors Di Paola and Perrelli and Councillors Beros and Muench.

2.0 Regrets

David Bishop
Chungsen Leung

3.0 Adoption of Agenda

Motion:

19:46

Moved By:

S. Chait

Seconded by:

J. Zhang

THAT the Agenda of May 16, 2019 be adopted as revised with the addition of Item 8.5 Reconsideration of Election of Chair and Vice-Chair positions

CARRIED

4.0 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

7:36 p.m. Councillor T. Muench arrived to the meeting.

5.0 Minutes

5.1 Library Board Minutes – April 18, 2019

Motion:

19:47

Moved By:

A. Lauzon

Seconded by:

C. Yuanfeng Geng

THAT the Minutes of April 18, 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED

6.0 Correspondence

There was no correspondence

7.0 Presentations

7.1 Mary Jane Celsie, Director, Content

Re: Content Division

Motion:

19:48

Moved By:

Regional and Local Councillor J. Di Paola

Seconded by:

C. Yuanfeng Geng

THAT the Library Board received the *Content Division Presentation* for information.

CARRIED

7.2 Catherine Charles, Director, Community Connections

Re: Community Connections Division

Motion:

19:49

Moved By:

C. Yuanfeng Geng

Seconded by:

S. Chait

THAT the Library Board received the *Community Connections Division Presentation* for information.

CARRIED

8.0 Reports

Accessible documents can be accessed through the [RHPL website > Your Library > About Us > Library Board](#)

8.1 SOLS Public Governance Best Practices Report – verbal

S. Chait, C. Yuanfeng Geng, G. Johnstone, A. Lauzon and J. Zhang gave a verbal account of their participation in the SOLS Public Governance Best Practices Workshop held at RHPL on Saturday, May 4, 2019.

Motion:

19:50

Moved By:

A. Lauzon

Seconded by:

J. Zhang

THAT the verbal SOLS Public Governance Best Practices Report, be received for information.

CARRIED

8.2 Impact of SOLS 2019 Budget Cuts Report – SRLIB19.22

A report was issued prior to the meeting and was presented by L. Procter Maio, Chief Executive Officer.

Motion:

19:51

Moved By:

S. Chait

Seconded by:

C. Yuanfeng Geng

THAT the Impact of SOLS Budget Cuts Report, dated May 16, 2019, be received for information.

CARRIED

8.3 Reconsideration of 2019 Library Services Report – SRLIB19.23

A report was issued prior to the meeting and was presented by L. Procter Maio, Chief Executive Officer.

Motion:

19:52

Moved By:

Councillor T. Muench

Seconded by:

S. Chait

THAT the Reconsideration of 2019 Library Services Report, dated May 16, 2019, be received for information; and

THAT the Library Board approve restoring Sunday service from June 9 to September 1, 2019, by temporarily reallocating personnel costs in 2019 earmarked for the new Oak Ridges Library.

CARRIED

8.4 New Oak Ridges Library Status Report – SRLIB19.24

A report was issued prior to the meeting and was presented by B. Ransom, Director, Customer Experiences.

Motion:

19:53

Moved By:

A. Lauzon

Seconded by:

Regional and Local Councillor J. Di Paola

THAT the New Oak Ridges Library Status Report dated May 16, 2019 be received for information.

CARRIED

8.5 Reconsideration of the Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair Positions

The Vice-Chair quoted the Public Libraries Act noting Section 14. (3) *A board shall elect one of its members as chair at its first meeting in a new term.*

This agenda item was withdrawn.

9.0 Member Announcements

G. Johnstone complimented staff on the wonderful display cases in the front lobby and the great Arts Contest Celebration held on Tuesday, May 7, 2019.

10.0 Date of Next Meeting

The next Regular Meeting of the Library Board will be held on:

Thursday, June 27, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at Richvale Library.

11.0 Adjournment

Motion:

19:54

Moved By:

S. Chait

Seconded by:

A. Lauzon

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

“Signed version on file in the Administration Offices”

G. Johnstone
Vice-Chair

L. Procter Maio
Chief Executive Officer