

Wetaskiwin Public Library Regular Board Meeting

Date: May 16, 2017

Time: 4:30 pm

Location: Wetaskiwin Public Library

Chairperson: June Boyda

Present: June Boyda, Patricia MacQuarrie, Ren Goode, Deb Lentz, Hazen Evanson, Rachelle Kuzyk, Michelle Loov

Excused: Lindsay Urkow, Jeff Harper, Ralph Tarnasky

Absent:

Boyda called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

Evanson moved to approve the agenda as amended. Carried.

2. Approval of minutes of April XX, 2016 meeting

Lentz moved to approve minutes. Carried.

3. Old Business

3.1 Survey Results and Discussion

Public input to inform the plan of service was collected using a survey this year. The last time the plan of service was updated, a community task force of 15 people were brought in to provide feedback.

The board drafted values, services, and objectives for the plan of service, with the staff to review, with further discussion to follow at the June board meeting.

3.2 Indigenous Survey Initiative

Status cards aren't required to receive service, but there are concerns that we won't be able to track the home address of library users. When the Wetaskiwin Public Library visits different locations in Maskwacis, they ensure to notify everyone on social media, etc. what is required to get a library card (identification and information).

Some discussion on the library card holder policy ensued. Most board members agreed not to alter the current policy, but instead to advertise the requirements to obtain a library card more frequently.

3.3 ALC 2017

MacQuarrie shared her experience at the conference. Here are a few details:

- *There was a session on LGBT-inclusivity in libraries, which turned out to be more of a history lesson with no solutions/recommendations on inclusive public spaces.*
- *There was a session on the importance of library staff being able to safely voice their concerns/questions regarding visible minorities. This will ensure continued*

openness, as well as a means to identify, work on, and hopefully rectify any issues.

- *Digital literacy is on the rise, and trends concerning it are constantly changing, requiring constant attention and training.*
- *LAA is going to put a proposal into the government to be the overarching organization to oversee all the other library associations. The “unity agreement” will be available by the 2018 ALC.*

4. New Business

4.1 Video Games

The library received a donation of video games (rated Mature). There was some debate among the library staff as to whether the library should censor the availability of mature-rated video games. Board discussion ensued, with board members agreeing to not limit the availability of the video games, but not allowing the mature games to be played within the library.

4.2 YRL Conference

The YRL Conference is September 8, 2017. It's less than \$200 for each board member to attend, so there is no limit on attendees. Please email Rachelle if you're interested in attending.

4.3 Training Orientation

Lentz asked the board if they were still interested in a board orientation with Ken Fesar. MacQuarrie mentioned that a new library act will be coming out in the future (no set date yet), and that a new training session may be forthcoming with the changes (once finalized).

5. Committee Reports

5.1 Finance Committee (Harper)

5.1.1 Update

Next Meeting: TBD

5.2 Plan of Service/Policy Committee (MacQuarrie)

5.2.1 Update

Next Meeting: TBD

5.3 Public Relations/Fundraising Committee (Lentz)

5.3.1 Update

Next Meeting: TBD

6. Library Manager's Report

7. Correspondence

8. Parking Lot

9. In-camera

10. Next meeting date:

11. Adjournment:

Evenson motioned to adjourn at 6:42 pm. Motion carried.

Plan of Service - Background & Discussion

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