

A meeting of the Deseronto Public Library Board was held on September 25, 2019 with the following members present:

Mr. S. Everhardus, Vice-Chair/Council Rep.	Ms. J. Rixen, Vice-Chair
Mr. N. Clark	Mrs. J. Hill
Ms. A. Hudson	Mr. D. Simpson
Mrs. M. Wagar	

Also in attendance was Mrs. A. McDonald, CEO/Chief Librarian.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Mrs. Wagar and seconded by Mrs. Hill that the Agenda be approved.

"CARRIED"

2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

3. Minutes of Last Meeting

The Minutes of the June 19, 2019 were distributed.

It was moved by Mr. Clark and seconded by Mrs. Hill that the Minutes of the June 19th, 2019 meeting be accepted as read.

"CARRIED"

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

Mr. Everhardus advised that the Town Council members' deputation with the Parliamentary Secretary for the Minister of Recreation, Culture & Sport was well received. He felt that they were successful in making the point that libraries deserve greater support.

5. Accounts and Financial Report

Mrs. McDonald distributed the Bank Reconciliation and Statement of Revenues and Expenses. She reviewed the Statement of Revenues & Expenses, noting that a reserve surplus had been identified by the auditors.

It was moved by Mrs. Wagar and seconded by Mr. Simpson that the Bank Reconciliation and Statement of Revenues and Expenditures be received and the Financial Report approved.

"CARRIED"

6. Report of CEO

Mrs. McDonald informed the Board that the library had received the Canada Summer Jobs Grant which allowed employment of a Summer Program Co-ordinator for nine weeks and another student was hired for seven weeks through the provincial Summer Experience Program.

The library also received \$493.67 from the Sarah Badgley fund, which staff used to purchase 180 new titles.

The library is participating in the "Tackle Share" program through which fishing equipment and free fishing licenses are available for people 18 years and under.

Hastings County will staff the Employment Services office two days per week, beginning in October.

Several meetings are scheduled. Mrs. McDonald will be attending a meeting of library CEO's on Monday. JASI training is being provided at the Tweed Public Library on October 8. Friends of the Library are meeting at the Brockville Public Library on October 19 and the next Trustee Council meeting is November 9. Interested Board members are to register on the SOLS website. Mr. Everhardus, Mr. Simpson, Ms. Rixen and Mr. Clark expressed interest in attending.

Mrs. McDonald advised the Board of a patron issue in August that required Police intervention.

Mrs. McDonald also inquired about scheduling for Hallowe'en.

It was moved by Mr. Clark and seconded by Mrs. Hill that the library close at 5 p.m. on Hallowe'en.

"CARRIED"

8. Items to Report

a) Chairman's Report

The Chairman advised that the Council members' lobbying effort at AMO was a success. They explained reasons why library service is essential in rural areas and also proposed that access to library services should be free across municipal boundaries.

b) Grant Opportunity

It was moved by Ms. Rixen and seconded by Mrs. Hill that the Board go in camera to discuss a property matter.

"CARRIED"

It was moved by Mrs. Wagar and seconded by Mr. Simpson that the Board rise from in camera.

"CARRIED"

It was moved by Mr. Simpson and seconded by Mr. Everhardus that appreciation be expressed on behalf of the patrons, and Board members for the work of the staff to provide a successful summer at the library.

"CARRIED"

9. Friends of the Library Report

The Friends have scheduled their next fundraising bake sale for December 7, 2019. They will also be running a raffle before Christmas.

10. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for October 30, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

11. Adjournment

It was moved by Ms. Hudson and seconded by Mr. Simpson that the meeting be adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

"CARRIED"



SECRETARY