

MINUTES OF THE SOUTH SHORE REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD
FEBRUARY 19, 2008 AT THE HEBBVILLE HEADQUARTERS, NS

Present: Mrs. Marie Hogan Loker, Chair
Mr. Tom Sheppard, Vice Chair
Councillor Beverlee Brown
Mrs. Cynthia Bruhm
Ms. Debra MacLean
Councillor Robert Myra
Councillor Susan MacLeod
Mr. Alan Wilson
Mrs. Wilma Stewart-White
Mr. Don Zwicker
Ms. Cheryl Stenström, Secretary/Treasurer
Ms. Cathy MacDonald, Mobile/Technical Services Librarian
Mr. Jeff Mercer, Branch/Extension/Systems Librarian
Mr. Dave White, Supervisor of Vehicles
Mrs. Lynn Robart, Recorder

Regrets: Mrs. Clara Dugas
Councillor Karen Dempsey
Councillor Heather Ann Getson

Dave White represented the Staff Association.

AGENDA

Motion: “THAT the South Shore Regional Library Board accepts the agenda as circulated.”
BROWN/Myra All in favour. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion: “THAT the South Shore Regional Library accepts the minutes of the January 2008 meeting.”
BRUHM/Brown All in favour. Motion carried.

Chair Hogan Loker thanked the Library Board for assisting with Long Range Plan and attending various committee meetings. She said we are going down new roads and participation has been noted.

Chair Hogan Loker also reported on the joint meeting of councils on the proposed multi-purpose facility. She thanked Don Zwicker, Councillor Karen Dempsey and Councillor Brown for their support on behalf of the library.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

- .1 Update Bridgewater Library
Councillor Brown reported that the Lifestyle Committee is continuing to meet regularly. Don Zwicker added that applications for funding have been made. If all the funding is not received, the two councils will renegotiate the package.

ITEMS RECEIVED

- A letter was received from the Municipality of the District of Chester declining the Library's request that they contribute to the Adopt-a-book Campaign.

COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE

Branch/Extension Librarian Jeff Mercer reported that the Collection Meeting has met and three sub-committees are looking at our collections process.

BOARD DEVELOPMENT SESSION – SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2008

An agenda for the Board Development Session on Saturday, February 23, 2008 was attached with Notice of Meeting.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Motion: “THAT the South Shore Regional Library Board receives the 3rd Quarter Spending Report 2007-2008.”

BRUHM/Myra All in favour. Motion carried.

Motion: “THAT the South Shore Regional Library Board direct mobile services staff to place a request for tenders for a new mobile in appropriate local and regional newspapers as soon as possible and that the Board move to use a minimum of \$40,000 from existing reserves and any 2007-08 surplus as a down payment for a new mobile and seek appropriate financing for a period of 8-15 years for the remaining cost.”

BROWN/MacLean All in favour. Motion carried.

LBANS REPORT

Chair Marie Hogan Loker reported that the upcoming NSLA/LBANS Conference will be held on October 3-5 at the Old Orchard Inn and that the LBANS focus right now is on the Funding Task Force.

STAFF ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE

Dave White, representing the Staff Association, said that the Staff are doing a lot of work on these Long Range Planning Committees. He also mentioned the upcoming Adopt-a-Library hockey fundraising game on Saturday, February 23rd.

CHEQUES JANUARY 2008

Motion: "THAT the South Shore Regional Library Board receives the list of cheques totalling \$39,919.97 for January 2008."
BRUHM/Zwicker All in favour. Motion carried.

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

The February 2008 Public Relations Report was circulated with Notice of Meeting.

OTHER

- Small Communities, BIG IDEAS, February 28, 7:30 p.m. , Lunenburg Library
- Hockey Game, February 23, 8:00 , Bridgewater Arena

DISCUSSION

.01 Greenfield Resource Center

Chief Librarian Cheryl Stenström presented some questions/statistics/thoughts regarding the requested for a public library in Greenfield. Discussion will continue at the Board Development session on February 23rd.

.02 Defining Core Business

Motion: "THAT the South Shore Regional Library Board directs staff to being 'South Shore Public Libraries' for all outside library communication, particularly in a new branding program.'
BROWN/MacLean All in favour. Motion carried.

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting will be March 18, 2008, 6:00 p.m. at Headquarters

ADJOURNMENT

Tom Sheppard moved the meeting adjourned.

Marie Hogan Loker, Chair

Cheryl Stenström. Secretary/Treasurer