

SOUTH SHORE REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD General Meeting, Hebbville Administration Office,
September 20, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.

The South Shore Regional Library Board administers South Shore Public Libraries. South Shore Public Libraries celebrate reading, discovering, learning and sharing.

Present: Mr. Tom Sheppard, Chair
Mrs. Wilma Stewart-White, Vice-chair
Ms. Wendy Dean
Mrs. Marie Hogan Loker
Councillor Cathy Moore
Councillor Robert Myra
Mr. Alan Wilson
Ms. Cathy MacDonald
Mr. Jeff Mercer
Mr. Troy Myers, Secretary/Treasurer
Ms. Lynn Robart, Recorder

Regrets from: Mr. Don Zwicker, Mr. Mark Taylor, Dr. Magdalena Nestel, Ms. Cindy Bruhm,
Councillor Patrick Hirtle and Councillor Randy Dickie.

Ms. Robin Benjamin representing the Staff Association.

C@P Update - see attached.

Jeff presented a short video clip produced by our LQYI Coordinator and C@P Intern, Nicole Byers. It was a collection of 'Acting out at the Library' -- Activities hosted by our Children's Programmer Barbara Jones. Robin Benjamin reported that there was very positive feedback regarding the summer program this year.

MINUTES

Motion: "THAT the South Shore Regional Library Board accept the minutes of the August 23, 2011 General Meeting as circulated."

MYRA/Hogan Loker All in favour. Motion carried.

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT - circulated with Notice of Meeting

A hard copy of the upcoming SSPL Programs for September to December was circulated to the Board.

LUNENBURG COUNTY LIFESTYLE CENTRE

It was reported that the pad for Lifestyle Center has been started. On Thursday, August 25, 2011 was the official sod turning ceremony. According to local news stories, the tenders for the constructing of the Lifestyle came in higher than expected. It will be discussed further at a

LBANS REPORT

Alan Wilson is representing the South Shore Public Libraries at the LBANS/NSLA Conference being held in Sydney, September 23-25. He is to give a three minute presentation regarding the South Shore. The Board agreed the areas that should be highlighted: commitment to mobile services, shifting demographic of more seniors, the rural Alean Freeman Library, and the new facility emphasising the funding gap between administration and public space. Staff will provide stats and a few comments for Alan's presentation.

MARGARET ATWOOD FUNDRAISIER

It was reported that the event raised approximately \$8,500. People who attended found the evening very entertaining.

JACK DIAMOND

An evening with Jack Diamond was held at the Lunenburg Library highlighting his new book "Sketches from Here and There". It was very well attended.

ADOPT-A-BOOK CAMPAIGN

Cathy announced the upcoming Adopt-a-book campaign Oct 24 to Dec 31. The program will be launched with a Coffee Party and Sneak Preview on Saturday, Oct 15 from 1-3 at the office. Your invitations are in the mail!

BOOK SALE

A successful Book Sale was held on September 17th in partnership with the Park View Rugby Team. The Rugby Team provided the venue and the muscle, while SSPL provided the logistics and expertise. The profit will be split between SSPL and the Rugby team once the expenses have been paid. We took in approximately \$1,600. A number of positive comments from the public regarding the partnership between the school and the library were recorded.

STAFF ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE

President Robin Benjamin reported that the Association have not had a meeting recently due to vacations, etc. The Association is going to try electronic meetings in the early morning before the outlets open; hoping to attract better staff attendance.

BOARD MEMBER UPDATE.

Frank Fawson has handed in his resignation to the Board due to a conflict on meeting nights. Shelley Zwicker and David Brattson, Provincial Appointees, terms have ended. NS Provincial Library will be advertising for replacements in October. The Board will be notified when the ad is released. A new updated Board list was circulated.

E-BOOKS – BOOK CLUB

Christina Pottie recently held a workshop with a Mahone Bay Book Club on the use of E-Books. Twelve ladies participated. Wilma reported that Christina was a great leader and was available to answer any and all questions. Christina will be doing the same with the Oakland Book Club in the near future. Wilma thanked her for a job well done.

OTHER

Thanks to Councillor Cathy Moore for the refreshments for tonight's meeting.

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Library Board will be Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at Tom Sheppard's residence in Caledonia at 4:00 p.m. Potluck will follow.

ADJOURNMENT

Alan Wilson moved the meeting to be adjourned

Tom Sheppard, Board Chair

Troy Myers, Secretary/Treasurer

C@P Update

Summer Student

This summer we employed Nicole Byers as LQ YI Coordinator and C@P intern. Here at LQC@P we had 5 interns. Nicole took her responsibilities as regional coordinator seriously; she organized and facilitated our youth orientation, made sure all YI paperwork was done, held C@P day, created and used a regional blog.

SSPL had two special projects for the C@P intern to work on this summer. One was to research Teen Advisory Groups, Nicole researched and compiled a report for us and we hope to implement many of the suggestions from this report in the coming year.

The second project was "Acting Out at The Library". The purpose of this summer program was to explore the basics of performing through improvisational games, characterization exercises and scene study, kids learned to trust their own unique imagination and built up their self confidence.

This weekly program was offered at all three of our town branches for kids aged 8-12, we had to limit it to 12 participants at each branch, I'm happy to say that all 3 classes were full. Nicole's job was to learn how to record and edit the classes, she used equipment purchased in previous C@P projects, found appropriate film editing software and learned how to use it. During the 8 weeks of this program Nicole acted as a second pair of hands to the instructor, bonded with the participants and recorded and edited each class. Nicole also shared her newly learned technology skills with the instructor and students. At the end of the summer each location held a performance for parents and each child was given a personal DVD with highlights of their participation throughout the summer.

"Your Library in Motion"

A project proposal was submitted to C@P for the "In Motion" project, this proposal was accepted so all expenses, except HR which we supplied as in kind support, will be paid by C@P. The tent was aired 10 times, signed up over 60 new members, circulated about 100 items and answered countless reference questions.