

SOUTH SHORE REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD GENERAL MEETING, ALEANN FREEMAN LIBRARY, GREENFIELD
May 18, 2016 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: Mrs. Cindy Bruhm, Vice Chair
Dr. David Brattston
Ms. Marie Hogan Loker
Ms. Sara Lochhead
Councillor Susan MacLeod
Ms. Phyllis Price
Councillor Kelly Wilson
Mr. Jeff Mercer
Ms. Christina Pottie
Mr. Ken Malcolm
Mr. Troy Myers, Secretary/Treasurer
Ms. Lynn Robart, Recorder

Regrets from: Mr. Patrick Hirtle, Chair, Mr. Mark Taylor, Mr. Tom Sheppard, Councillor Eric Hustvedt, Ms. Wilma Stewart-White, Councillor Jennifer McDonald, Ms. Brittany Hachey, and Mr. Alan Wilson.

MINUTES

An omission to add Ken Malcolm to the attendance on the April 19, 2016 meeting.

Motion: "THAT the South Shore Regional Library Board accepts the minutes as circulated with one correction for April 19, 2016 as circulated."
HOGAN LOKER/Lochhead All in favour. Motion carried.

LBANS REPORT

Next meeting will be in Truro on June 11, 2016. A representative from the South Shore is needed for this Association.

The joint conference NSLA/LBANS will be held at Pictou Lodge and Beach Resort, September 23-25, 2016

STAFF ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE - no report

LUNENBURG ACADEMY

Jeff reported that the Lunenburg Academy Finance and Governance Committee is in the process of selecting the successful applicant for the Interior Design RFP. The contract will be awarded shortly.

SSRL STRATEGIC PLANNING

SSRL Strategic Planning Session will be Wednesday, June 22, 2016 beginning at 5:30 pm. Location to be announced.

OTHER

- Lunenburg County Lifestyle Centre lease has been signed; with no ill feelings. A lock has been installed on the back door to allow access from the outside, more minor improvements are expected in the near future.
- The arrears rent (\$32,376. over two years) for the Lunenburg County Lifestyle will affect the budget. The Board's direction was that it did not affect staffing. A reduction to the collections budget for the next two years by \$16,188 per year is the next logical source for these funds. The reduced rent will result in a savings of approximately \$600 per month.
- Lunenburg Lit Festival is planned September 30 – October 1st. Good response from authors and it is shaping up to be a great line up. Working on sponsorships for the event right now.
- Feasibility study regarding moving the Thomas H. Raddall Library to the vacant Liverpool Court house was approved by the Region of Queens and is underway. Hope to have results in the fall.
- Question arose about having a Library Branch in Mahone Bay. The Libraries Act mandates that the Town would provide a building/location, furniture and fixtures; while the Library provides staff and material.
- The Board will have a new representative from the Municipality of Chester after the municipal election this fall.

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next general meeting will be Monday, June 20 beginning at 5:00 p.m. at the Margaret Hennigar Public Library. This will include Annual, General Meetings and the annual Staff Service Recognition.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Kelly Wilson moved the meeting to be adjourned.

Troy Myers, Secretary/Treasurer

Cynthia Bruhm, Vice Chair