



South Shore Public Libraries Board is pleased to announce that Ashley Nunn-Smith has been named Chief Librarian and CEO. Nunn-Smith comes to the Library with more than 15 years of public library experience, most recently serving as the Chief Executive Officer at the King Township Public Library system. Previous to that she spent four years as Manager of Content, Access and Innovation with the Aurora Public Library and 10 years with the Halifax Public Library, where she held a variety of positions from Youth Services Librarian to Collection Development Librarian. Originally from Halifax, Nunn-Smith holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and French and a Masters degree in Library and Information Studies from Dalhousie University in Halifax, as well as a Masters in Children's Literature from Hollins University in Roanoke, Virginia.

"Following an extensive national search, the South Shore Public Libraries Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Ashley Nunn-Smith as the Library's new CEO," said Library Board Chair Patrick Hirtle. "Ashley brings a broad range of public library experience and we know that under her leadership the Library will thrive as we continue to serve the needs of our community. We're thrilled to welcome Ashley back to Nova Scotia."

"SSPL has a great reputation, with great libraries and a great staff, and I'm excited at the opportunity to come home to Nova Scotia and join the SSPL team," said Ms. Nunn-Smith. "It is an honor to be asked to continue the fabulous work that has been done by the staff and board to help make SSPL a destination in our communities." She views libraries as being an essential community asset which is why she's so passionate about her vocation and wants to make sure everyone feels welcome at SSPL. Ashley commented, "We do it because we love what we do. We love helping all people succeed." Nunn-Smith began her position on June 27.

South Shore Public Libraries has libraries in Bridgewater, Greenfield, Liverpool and Lunenburg, and serve many rural Lunenburg and Queens communities with their Bookmobile. For hours and locations please visit www.southshorepubliclibraries.ca or call 902-543-2548.

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