

SOUTH SHORE REGIONAL LIBRARY GENERAL MEETING, May 18, 2022

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

Present: Mr. Patrick Hirtle Chair
Councillor David Brown
Councillor Stacey Colwell
Councillor Pam Hubley for Michelle Greek
Councillor Tina Connors
Ms. Marie Hogan Loker
Ms. Diane Racette
Mr. Tom Sheppard
Mr. Jeff Mercer, Acting Chief Librarian
Ms. Ashley Nunn- Smith, newly appointed CEO
Ms. Christina Pottie, Staff
Ms. Lynn Robart, Staff
Ms. Alisa Hemeon, Recorder

Regrets from: Ms. Cynthia Bruhm, Councillor Jenni Birtles, Ms. Kara Turner, Ms. Cathy LeBlanc and Ms. Wilma Stewart-White

Chair Patrick called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm and read the Land Acknowledgement statement.

Motion: "THAT the South Shore Regional Library Board accept the Minutes of the March 23, 2022 meeting as circulated."
RACETTE/Colwell All in favour. Motion carried.

EQUITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Jeff reported that a student is being hired for the summer constructing a framework and spear heading (the EDI Collection Audit). and spear heading the plan. The revised document will be distributed to members after meeting. EDI statement is now live on website.

THOMAS H. RADDALL/REGION OF QUEENS

Councillor David Brown and Jeff attended a meeting on May 18, 2022 in Liverpool where Mr. Brown reported that the committee had developed a wish list, reviewed the budget, and determined a work plan. They had 8 potential spots for the location of the new library and narrowed it down to one location that will be presented to the Region of Queens Council meeting next week.

ONE CARD (MIGRATION)

Jeff reported that the new system migration went well with a positive response and many people signing up. They are closely monitoring it for any minor adjustments that may be required and encouraging everyone to get the new library card. Individuals will be able to keep their old library card should they wish to do so.

STAFF ASSOCIATION

Chair Patrick, advised that he had received a report from the Association. The Association has elected two of their members to sit on an Ad hoc committee and requested two Board members be selected for the same. Ms. Diane Racette volunteered and Patrick Hirtle offered to fill the second seat temporarily until one is officially appointed.

Motion: "THAT Diane Racette be appointed as the representative on the Staff Association committee for the South Shore Regional Library Board.
BROWN/Connors All in favor. Motion carried.

CEO/CHIEF LIBRARIAN

Chair Patrick thanked everyone for their diligent and hard work recruiting the new CEO.

Motion: "THAT Ashley Nunn-Smith be appointed as the new CEO of the South Shore Public Libraries.
HOGAN LOKER/Sheppard All in favor. Motion carried.

SSPL 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Jeff reported that the new 50th Anniversary logo has been designed. July 23, 2022 is "the Big 50 Picnic." Jeff mentioned that he had met with a documentarian about the idea of doing a documentary video on the history of the library and long-time book borrowers. The grant funding would provide approximately half of the cost. Ms. Christina Pottie added that they are looking for a student special event coordinator that will help with some of the preparations for the Anniversary.

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be the AGM/General/Service Recognition on June 22, 2022 at the LCLC or via Zoom.

ADJOURNMENT

Tom Sheppard and David Brown adjourned the meeting at 6:29pm.