SOUTH SHORE REGIONAL LIBRARY GENERAL MEETING, October 19, 2022

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

Present: Patrick Hirtle, Chair

Cindy Bruhm, Vice Chair Councillor David Brown Councillor Stacey Colwell Councillor Tina Connors

Tom Sheppard

Ashley Nunn-Smith, Staff Christina Pottie, Staff

Alisa Hemeon, Staff/Recorder

Regrets from: Councillor Michelle Greek, Councillor Jenni Birtles, Diane Racette, Cathy LeBlanc, Marie Hogan

Loker, Wilma Stewart-White and Jeff Mercer.

Patrick Hirtle called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

MINUTES:

Motion: "THAT the South Shore Regional Library Board accept the Minutes of the September

21, 2022 meeting as circulated."

BROWN/Sheppard All in favour. Motion carried.

2.1 SSPL 50th ANNIVERSARY

On Saturday, October 22, the Lunenburg library will host the 50th Anniversary party for SSPL. Speakers include MLA Susan Corkum-Greek, Mayor Matt Risser, Provincial Librarian Lynn Somers and our own CEO, Ashley Nunn-Smith. There will be a book launch of "Inside – Thoughts from the Pandemic" introduced by Jayme Spinks of Nevermore Press. The documentary film will be publically launched at this event as well as our online survey.

2.2 SSPL Staffing Changes and Positions filled

After successful interviews, several staffing changes, which will help us meet our operational and strategic goals, take effect between October 31 and November 3, 2022 include:

- MHPL Branch Coordinator: Sophia Hopkins
- Library Programmer: Charity Fraser
- Special Project Coordinator: Skylar Barkhouse (11-month term position funded by two grants)
- Bookmobile Driver/Library Clerk: Michele Garrett-Jones

2.3 LBANS

Christina reported that the next regular meeting would be in Truro on November 26, 2022. They are still looking for a representative from SSPL Board.

2.4 OTHER

None

3.1 SECOND QUARTERLY SPENDING REPORT

The second quarterly report (July, August and September 2022) was presented at the Finance meeting held prior to the General meeting. Ashley Nunn-Smith provided a brief overview. Spending is currently on track for this fiscal year.

Motion: "THAT the South Shore Regional Library Board accept and approve the Second

Quarterly Spending report as presented.

COLWELL/Brown All in favour. Motion carried.

3.2 SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

Ashley presented the draft Policy highlighting that it reflected similar policies and best practice adopted by other provincial libraries. While the open nature of the internet prevents the library from being liable for any comments that do not originate from SSPL employees, we nevertheless will utilize procedural and usage guidelines to monitor any platforms on which the Library engages as closely as possible to ensure a safe and welcoming environment for all.

Motion: "THAT the South Shore Regional Library Board approve the draft Social Media policy

as circulated and discussed."

SHEPPARD/Bruhm All in favour. Motion carried.

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next general meeting is set for Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 6pm.

ADJOURNMENT

David Brown adjourned the meeting at 6:16pm.