

## **AGENDA**

Niagara Falls Public Library Board  
Wednesday September 20, 2023 at 4:30pm  
LaMarsh Room, Victoria Ave Library

### **Acknowledgement statement**

*The Chonnonton people have called these lands where we are gathering home for thousands of years and more recently, the Anishinaabe and the Haudenosaunee have been sharing the land as One Dish, One Spoon Treaty territory. We would like to acknowledge the enduring resilience of the First Nations, Metis and Inuit people who call this territory home.*

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Disclosure of Pecuniary and Conflict of Interests
3. Presentation by Lord Cultural Resources
  - 3.1. Niagara Falls Public Library 2024-2028 Strategic Plan
4. Approval of Minutes
  - 4.1. Regular Minutes of June 21, 2023 Board Meeting
  - 4.2. Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes of June 21, 2023 Board Meeting
5. Business arising from the Minutes
6. Committee-of-the-Whole Session
7. Board Recruitment Committee
8. Correspondence
  - 8.1. Thank you Card and Commencement Program, Westlane Secondary School
  - 8.2. Thank you Card from Book Award Recipient, H. Mason
  - 8.3. Independence Letter, Crawford Smith & Swallow
  - 8.4. Post-Audit Letter, Crawford Smith & Swallow
  - 8.5. Management Letter, Crawford Smith & Swallow
  - 8.6. Accessibility Audit Letter of Completion, Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility
  - 8.7. Registered Charity Information Return File Status Update, Canadian Revenue Agency

9. Board Information and Education
  - 9.1. Op-Ed: Don't Blame CopyRight for Declining Revenue. It Won't Help Authors, Canadian Federation of Library Associations
  - 9.2. Government Relations and Support for Ontario's Libraries, Ontario Library Association/Federation of Ontario Public Libraries
  - 9.3. AMPLO/ARUPLO September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Meeting Notes, Ontario Library Service
  - 9.4. ALA Condemns Threats of Violence to Chicago-area Libraries, American Library Association
  - 9.5. Media Release: The Exchange Grand Opening Delayed – September 21<sup>st</sup> Night of Art Relocates to Niagara Falls History Museum, City of Niagara Falls
  
10. Articles of Interest
  - 10.1. Niagara Falls Public Library
    - 10.1.1. *Niagara Falls Business Owner Impacted by Homicide Investigation Troubled by 'Terrible' Situation on Victoria Avenue* | Niagara Falls Review
    - 10.1.2. *Niagara Falls Public Library Hosting Get Your Read On this Saturday* | Niagara This Week
    - 10.1.3. *Niagara Falls Public Library Summer Reading Clubs Promote Kids' Love of Reading* | Niagara This Week
    - 10.1.4. *NF Public Library - TD Summer Reading Club* | The Source
    - 10.1.5. *Explore Space Right From the Niagara Falls Library* | Niagara This Week
    - 10.1.6. *Steph Vivier w/ Becky Dixon, Niagara Falls Public Library* | iHeartRadio CKTB News
    - 10.1.7. *Laugh and Scream with Niagara Falls Public Library* | Niagara This Week
  - 10.2. Other
    - 10.2.1. *Facilitator to Review Niagara's Governance Coming in September, says Ontario's Municipal Affairs Minister* | St Catharines Standard
    - 10.2.2. *Governance Review Pause Expected, Niagara Leaders Say* | St Catharines Standard
    - 10.2.3. *Thousands of Historical Documents Related to Burlington's Past Go Online* | CBC News
    - 10.2.4. *Brock Grad Puts Local History on the Map* | Brock University
    - 10.2.5. *Shelf Help: St. Catharines Library Removes Thousands of Books to Make Space for the Future* | St Catharines Standard
    - 10.2.6. *'Empty Shelves with Absolutely No Books': Students, Parents, Question School Board's Library Weeding Process* | CBC News

## 11. Finance Committee

### 11.1. Library Cheque/EFT registers:

11.1.1.	June 1-30, 2023 - 2023 Fiscal Year	\$395,100.25
11.1.2.	July 1-31, 2023 – 2023 Fiscal Year	\$237,274.49
11.1.3.	August 1-31, 2023 – 2023 Fiscal Year	\$247,342.02

### 11.2. Monthly Revenue detail:

11.2.1.	Revenue details for June 2023
11.2.2.	Revenue details for July 2023
11.2.3.	Revenue details for August 2023

### 11.3. Monthly Actuals

11.3.1.	Actuals as on June 30, 2023
11.3.2.	Actuals as on July 31, 2023
11.3.3.	Actuals as on August 31, 2023

### 11.4. 2024 Proposed Capital Budget

## 12. CEO Report: A. Subnaik Kilgour

## 13. New Business

13.1. Position Statement: In Defence of Drag Storytime: A Statement of Support from Canada's Library Associations, The Partnership

### 13.2. Policy Index

13.2.1.	Accessibility Policy
13.2.2.	Dress Code & Hygiene Policy

## 14. Other Business

- 14.1. April-June 2023 Q2 Snapshot
- 14.2. June/July/August 2023 Qualitative Statistics
- 14.3. June 2023 Quantitative Statistics
- 14.4. July 2023 Quantitative Statistics
- 14.5. August 2023 Quantitative Statistics
- 14.6. September 2023 Circulation Trends
- 14.7. September 2023 Door Count Tracker
- 14.8. September 2023 COVID Recovery Tracker
- 14.9. September 2023 HR Metrics – Absence and Incident Data

Next Regular Board meeting is at 4:30 pm:

October 18, 2023  
November 15, 2023  
December 20, 2023