

**NIAGARA FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 2022**

Victoria Avenue Library LaMarsh Room

This meeting was held in-person
Board Members had the option to also attend virtually via Google Meet

PRESENT: A. Andres-Jones (Chair), J. Anstruther (Vice-Chair), K. Letourneau, L. Lococo, B. Ness,
D. Parakh, T. Tredwell, K. Tsiantoulas

STAFF: A. Subnaik Kilgour, C. Bosco, M. MacLaren, A. Mousley

Meeting was Chaired by J. Anstruther (Vice-Chair)

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 4:43 pm

THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT WAS READ INTO THE MINUTES

The Chonnonton people have called these lands where we are gathering home for thousands of years and more recently, the Anishnaabe 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

MOTION: 2022-94 To approve the agenda of the November 16, 2022 Board Meeting

MOVED BY: B. Ness

SECONDED BY: T. Tredwell

MOTION CARRIED

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

None

3. PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORT

C. Bosco, Acting Manager of Customer Service presented a departmental report

C. Bosco departed the meeting at 4:50 pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 3.1. Minutes of October 19, 2022 Board Meeting
- 3.2. Minutes of October 19, 2022 Committee-of-the-Whole

MOTION: 2022-95 To accept the regular minutes of October 19, 2022
MOVED BY: A. Andres-Jones
SECONDED BY: K. Letourneau
MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: 2022-96 To accept the committee-of-the-whole minutes of October 19, 2022
MOVED BY: A. Andres-Jones
SECONDED BY: T. Tredwell
MOTION CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- 5.1. Email correspondence with the McCall MacBain Foundation
- 5.2. Letter to Inspector M. Lagrotteria, Niagara Regional Police Service
- 5.3. Letter to W. Gates, M.P.P.
- 5.4. Letter to T. Baldinelli, M.P.

MOTION: 2022-97 To accept the correspondence of November 16, 2022
MOVED BY: T. Tredwell
SECONDED BY: D. Parakh
MOTION CARRIED

6. ARTICLES OF INTEREST

6.1. Niagara Falls Public Library

- 6.1.1. Public encouraged to help Niagara Falls Public Library develop future goals | Niagara Falls Review

6.2. Other

- 6.2.1. Freedom of expression in public libraries must apply to all | The Globe and Mail
- 6.2.2. Dr. Huq library branch in St. Catharines to be open 7 days a week | Niagara This Week
- 6.2.3. Libraries Can Unite a Lonely, Divided Nation | Bloomberg
- 6.2.4. Supporters outnumber protesters outside Winnipeg drag queen story hour event | CBC News
- 6.2.5. US judge blocks \$2.2bn Penguin Random House merger | The Guardian
- 6.2.6. Woman jailed for refusing to stay away from West Van library | North Shore News
- 6.2.7. VICE chief people officer: 'If someone needs a mental health day, give it to them' | Human Resources Director
- 6.2.8. The boss is not okay | ICD Director Journal

7. FINANCE COMMITTEE

7.1. Library Cheque/EFT registers:

October 1-31, 2022 (2022 Fiscal Year) \$ 99,204.75

7.2. Monthly Revenue detail:

Revenue details for October 2022

7.3. Monthly Actuals

Actuals as on October 31, 2022

MOTION: 2022- 98 To accept the cheque/EFT register of October 1-31, 2022

MOVED BY: L. Lococo

SECONDED BY: T. Tredwell

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: 2022- 99 To accept the revenue and actuals for the month of October 2022

MOVED BY: T. Tredwell

SECONDED BY: K. Letourneau

MOTION CARRIED

8. CEO REPORT

8.1. October 2022

Written report included for Board review. The report was presented orally and accepted at the October 16, 2022 regular meeting

8.2. November 2022

A. Subnaik Kilgour presented the November 2022 CEO Report

- Information and updates were provided on strategic planning, workplace illnesses, the Stamford Library, community space rentals, holiday closures at Community Centre Library and volunteer recognition awards.

MOTION: 2022-100 To accept the CEO report of November 16, 2022

MOVED BY: A. Andres-Jones

SECONDED BY: D. Parakh

MOTION CARRIED

A. Andres-Jones departed the meeting at 6:00 pm

9. OTHER BUSINESS

The following items were provided for the Board’s review:

- 9.1. October 2022 Qualitative Statistics
- 9.2. October 2022 Quantitative Statistics

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:19 pm

NEXT MEETING

December 2022 TBD
January 18, 2023