

The Terrace Bay Public Library held its regular board meeting on Wednesday, February 18th 2009 at 5:30pm @ the library.

Present: Chair- Irene Moore, Vice-chair Chris Stewart, Board members Connie Bryson and Deb Brazeau, Council rep Rick St. Louis and CEO – Mary Deschatelets

Meeting called to order @ 5:45 pm

Declarations of Interest: none

Agenda: Moved by Deb Brazeau and seconded by Rick St. Louis that “the agenda be approved”

CARRIED 09-14

Minutes: Minutes from the January 13th, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Moved by Rick St. Louis and seconded by Deb Brazeau that the minutes of the January 13, 2009 meeting be approved.

CARRIED 09- 15

Business arising from the minutes:

None

Other:

On behalf of council, Margaret Hartling spoke with the CEO about a concern from the December 9, 2008 minutes regarding “staff recognition”. CEO explained to Margaret that the library board considered staff recognition to be in the form of a thank you card, perhaps a luncheon or small token of appreciation for a job well done. Margaret advised that because the town operates in a union environment and that not all CAW employees would be eligible for this type of staff recognition, it could therefore create a conflict and that the library should not practice it. CEO advised the board of this conversation.

Thank you cards were sent to Sean Irwin and Dean Main on behalf of the library board thanking them for their work in completing our successful application for a Build Canada grant.

Discussion was held regarding a new puppet theatre for the library. Howard Elliot has offered to build a new theatre for the cost of the materials.

Moved by Connie Bryson and seconded by Rick St. Louis that” Howard Elliott build a puppet theatre for the library in an amount not to exceed \$200.00”

CARRIED 09-22

Planning and Board Orientation:

A library board gap analysis exercise was held. Chair Irene Moore will compile the results and present them at the next meeting.

New Business:

CEO filled the board in on the disbursement of the \$15 million Ontario Libraries have received from the Ministry of Culture. Each library has received credits. Terrace Bay Public Library is entitled to 17,532 credits. These credits can be used in the following areas: Learning and Literacy Target Groups, Collections, Training, AODA compliance, Automation and new technologies.

Chair Irene Moore and CEO Mary Deschatelets attended the OLA conference in Toronto from January 27th to 30th. They gave a brief presentation on the conference to the board.

Build Canada Grant. The town was successful in its application for grant money to renovate the St. Martin school property into a cultural centre complete with seniors centre, entertainment venue, library, and museum and archive spaces. Special Projects Co-coordinator, Sean Irwin, is working on an application for a grant in order to offset the town’s portion of the project. Results of the application will be known in April 2009.

2009 Library Budget. CEO informed the board of council’s direction regarding the 2009 budget. Chair Irene Moore will meet with the CEO in order to prepare the draft budget. The library board will review the draft on March 10. It will be given to the treasurer for March 18th. It will presented to council on March 27th.

OLS-North Sudbury Conference will be held on May 12- 14th. Cost to attend the conference is subsidized by OLS-North. The CEO would like library assistants Jean Fenton and Justina Pelto to attend.

Moved by Chris Stewart and seconded by Connie Bryson that “ 2 delegates from the Terrace Bay Public Library attend the OLS-North conference in Sudbury from May 12 to 14th, 2009 at the expense of the library but to be subsidized by OLS-North”

CARRIED 09-16

The correspondence package for January 2009 was read and received. Moved by Deb Brazeau and seconded by Chris Stewart that the January 2009 correspondence package be accepted as presented.

CARRIED 09-17

Correspondence action items – none

The financial disbursements for January 2009 were reviewed. Moved by Chris Stewart and seconded by Connie Bryson that “ the financial disbursements for January 2009 be approved”

CARRIED 09-18

CEO report for February 2009

January total circulation : 1,179
 Persons entering the library: 1,045
 Revenues for January : \$657.33
 Knowledge Ontario – 252 sessions

Programming: Storytime continues after a holiday break. It will run until April. Katimavik volunteer running after school “Rock Band II” programming in the curling club lounge. Lunch Bunch adult reading group meets the 2nd Wed of each month. Blue Spruce Forest of reading program runs for 10 weeks. 12 children attend weekly. Family Literacy Day was celebrated with an open house and refreshments on Jan. 27

Adult fiction collection weeded from A – L.

All staff attended a union meeting on Jan 12 in order to vote on their contract. It was ratified.

Met with the seniors organization and will work with them on developing a web site for them.

Staff meeting held on Jan 14th.

CEO and Board Chair Irene Moore attended the OLA conference in Toronto from Jan 27th to 30th. While there they were presented with a certificate of library accreditation from the Minister of Culture, Aileen Carroll. This accreditation is effective for 5 years.

Moved by Connie Bryson and seconded by Chris Stewart that the CEO Report for February 2009 be accepted as presented”.

CARRIED 09-19

In- Camera

Moved by Connie Bryson and seconded by Chris Stewart that “the board proceed in camera in order to address a matter pertaining to labour relations and employee negotiations”.

CARRIED 09-20

Moved by Deb Brazeau and seconded by Rick St. Louis that “the board move out of in-camera session”.

CARRIED 09-21

The next meeting of the Terrace Bay Public Library Board will be held 5:30 pm Tuesday March 10th, 2009 at the library.

Meeting adjourned @ 6:40 pm

Chairperson _____

Secretary _____