

The Terrace Bay Public Library held its regular board meeting on Tuesday, June 2nd, 2009 at 5:30pm @ the Library.

Present: Chair- Irene Moore, Vice-chair Chris Stewart, Directors Deb Brazeau and Connie Bryson
Council rep Gino Leblanc and CEO – Mary Deschatelets
Carmelo Notarbartolo (part) and Mike King (part)

Town CAO made a presentation to the library board regarding the township's shortfall of tax revenues and the amount of the budget cuts that are required by the library board. He and Mayor Mike King then fielded questions from the library board.

Carmelo and Mike left the meeting.

Meeting called to order @ 6:00 pm

Declarations of Interest: none

Agenda: Moved by Gino Leblanc and seconded by Deb Brazeau that "the agenda be approved"

CARRIED 09-47

Minutes: Minutes from the May 19th, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Moved by Deb Brazeau and seconded by Connie Bryson that the minutes of the May 19th, 2009 meeting be approved.

CARRIED 09- 48

Business arising from the minutes:

The 2009 budget was discussed and the CEO presented 3 different scenarios on how to make the required budget cuts.

Moved by Connie Bryson and seconded by Chris Stewart that "the 2009 budget be approved and submitted \$158,615.90"

CARRIED 09-56

Playaways were discussed. CEO presented different options for purchasing to begin a new collection for the library and made a recommendation to the board.

Moved by Gino Leblanc and seconded by Deb Brazeau that “the CEO begin purchasing “Playaway” audio books for the library’s collection. Initial purchase not to exceed \$1,000.00”

CARRIED 09-49

Graduation awards – dates and times were set up with board and staff members to present the annual library awards at the ceremonies.

Other:

Resolution from the Corporation of the Township of Smith Falls regarding increased funding for public libraries from the province was discussed.

Moved by Connie Bryson and seconded by Chris Stewart that “ the Terrace Bay Public Library Board supports the resolution put forth by the Township of Smith Falls requesting a change in formulation for how Ontario Public Libraries receive provincial funding and also that the board recommends to the Township of Terrace Bay that they support this resolution as well.”

CARRIED 09 – 50

CEO showed the board the items that were donated to the library’s collection from the Lake Superior Bi-national Forum in celebration of Lake Superior Day. The items consist of a DVD, a children’s book and a non-fiction book. A thank you letter was sent to the forum.

CEO showed the TD Summer Reading Club posters, booklets, book marks and stickers to the board. This program is for children ages 6+ and is designed to keep them reading throughout the summer months while they are not in school. It will run for six weeks. Jean Fenton will attend the elementary schools to promote this program.

Planning and board orientation:

Board chair Irene Moore has circulated the board evaluation forms to the board members and will compile the information she receives back and will present it at the board meeting in September.

New Business:

CEO gave a brief presentation on the Knowledge Ontario AskON project. This project provides a live reference librarian through our website to help patrons, that are located anywhere, with their reference questions. Our library does not have to provide staffing but will participate through having it on our web site and by marketing the project.

Moved by Connie Bryson and seconded by Gino Leblanc that the Terrace Bay Public Library enter into an agreement with Knowledge Ontario and participate in the “AskOn” project.

CARRIED 09- 51

CEO gave a brief presentation on the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters “Tackle Share Program”. This program allows patrons to sign out fishing equipment from the library. There is no cost to the library. The sponsors of the program provide the fishing rods, reels, tackle promotional materials and sign out sheets. As well, they provide replacements for lost or damaged equipment.

Moved by Chris Stewart and seconded by Deb Brazeau that “the Terrace Bay Public Library Board enter into an agreement with the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters and participate in the “Tackle Share Program”.

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CEO gave the board an update on the library expansion project. The steering committee will have their first meeting with the architects on Thursday June 11.

Correspondence - information items:

Moved by Gino Leblanc and seconded by Connie Bryson that “the correspondence package for April 2009 be accepted as presented”

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Correspondence – Action Items:

None

The financial disbursements for May 2009 were reviewed.

Moved by Connie Bryson and seconded by Chris Stewart that "the financial disbursements for May 2009 be approved"

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CEO report for June 2009

May total circulation: 1279

Persons entering the library: 1173

Revenues for May: \$229.25

Knowledge Ontario – NA sessions

Hits to our website -1825

51 Interlibrary loans

Pools 20 Talking Books on CD received and 20 returned

CNIB -2 Braille books received

Winner of the monthly draw: Karen Morley

Lunch Bunch reading group held May 20th. Next meeting June 17th.

Materials for TD Summer Reading Club have arrived. Will be promoted to the elementary school. Program will run for 6 weeks.

Peter Mennie, children's magician will perform on Fri July 10th. Partnering with the rec department on this.

Lake Superior Bi-national forum presented us with materials, in celebration of Lake Superior Day, to be added to our collection.

Outdoor planters were reinstalled.

Reviewed flower order with the town.

3 staff members attended the OLS-North conference in Sudbury on May 12th to the 14th.

Attended training on CNIB VISUNET partnership program.

Meeting with Northern Computers and Schreiber Library to form a partnership to put in a proposal for a grant to hire an IT person.

Teleconference with AskOn project.

Submitted application through the LSPC to Industry Canada to retain our CAP funding.

Ancestry database training

Staff meeting on May 20th. No health and safety issues. Budget cuts were discussed and staff asked for suggestions on savings.

Work on French collection is complete

Student pages completed their contracts on May 31. We began operating on summer hours June 1st. Summer student will be hired for 8 weeks.

Moved by Chris Stewart and seconded by Connie Bryson that “ the CEO report for June 2009 be accepted as presented.”

CARRIED 09- 55

No In-camera session

The next meeting of the Terrace Bay Public Library Board will be held 5:30 pm on Wednesday September 9th, 2009 in the library.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:20 pm

Chairperson _____

Secretary _____