

RMWB Library Board Meeting Minutes

DATE: *Wednesday, April 19, 2023*

TIME: *6:00 pm to 8:00 pm*

LOCATION: *Syncrude Program Room*

ATTENDANCE: *Board: Corinna Pirie, Martin Wright, Dean Chappelle, Jennifer Kennett, Councilor Funky Banjoko, Ijeoma Uche-Ezeala (IJ) (joined at 6:05pm), Shazia Mughal (joined at 6:06pm)*

Staff: Melissa Flett, Lindsay McFarlane

REGRETS: *Amanda MacPherson, Koteswara Verrnaki*

ABSENT:

1. Treaty 8 Opening

Corinna called the meeting to Order at 6:03 pm. We respectfully acknowledge that Wood Buffalo Regional Library is situated on Treaty 8 Territory, the traditional lands of the Cree, Dene, and the unceded territory of the Métis.

a. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt agenda made by Jennifer/Seconded by Dean.

Carried

b. Adoption of Consent Agenda

- Minutes of March 15, 2023
- 2023 Board Schedule – April
- REVIEW Health and Safety (General) Policy
- REVISE Violence and Harassment Policy
- REVISE Working Alone Policy
- REVIEW Emergency Preparedness Policy

Motion to approve items in the consent agenda made by Dean/Seconded by Martin.

Carried

IJ entered the meeting.

c. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

No conflict of interest was declared.

Shazia entered the meeting.

2. New Business

a. 2022 Year in Review

Melissa shared the 2022 Year in Review. The Board expressed positive feedback on the new layout and content.

Motion to approve the 2022 Year in Review made by Funky/Seconded by Martin.

Carried

b. 2023 Community Survey Results

Melissa shared the 2023 Community Survey Results. The survey included questions designed to complete the annual RMWB survey. The Board discussed the positive results around staff service and the inclusive community outcome. Melissa and Lindsay explained pricing and licensing restrictions for library eContent.

Motion to approve the 2023 Community Survey Results made by Shazia/Seconded by Dean.

Carried

c. May 29, 2023, Alberta Provincial General Election – for discussion only

Corinna presented information regarding the the upcoming provincial election. WBRL will provide door hangers to patrons to advocate for library funding and the Board will send a letter to the successful local candidates following the election. The Board requested staff draft the letter for review at the next meeting on May 17.

3. Advocacy Roundtable

Melissa extended the invite to the Board to the Words in Motion event on April 26.

4. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 6:37pm made by Dean/Seconded by Jennifer.

Carried