
EDMONTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Tuesday, June 5, 2018 5:30 p.m.

Aspen Conference Centre

ATTENDANCE:

Board: Dr. Brian Heidecker
Councillor Ben Henderson
Ms. Jennifer Huntley
Mr. Nazir Mulji
Ms. Aaida Peerani
Dr. Fern Snart

Staff: Ms. Pilar Martinez, Chief Executive Officer
Mr. Gastone Monai, Chief Financial Officer
Ms. Tina Thomas, Executive Director, Strategy and Innovation

Regrets: Mr. Jay Ball, Mrs. Kenna Houncaren, Mrs. Zainul Mawji,
Ms. Jill Scheyk

Guests: Ms. Sharon Day, Mr. Johnny Nielsen, Mr. Michael Sambir,
Ms. Laura Winton

Recording Secretary: Ms. Lisette Lalchan

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Brian Heidecker, called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: That the agenda be approved as circulated with the following amendment:

That item 6e, EPL Board of Trustees' Endorsement of Improved eBook and Digital Audiobook Accessibility, be moved to after the Capital Update (item 6c).

Moved by Nazir Mulji. Seconded by Dr. Fern Snart.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest identified regarding agenda items.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION: That the Board approve the May 8, 2018 meeting minutes.
Moved by Nazir Mulji. Seconded by Aaida Peerani.

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no outstanding items identified.

Councillor Henderson joined the meeting at 5:49 p.m.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6a) Secret Shoppers Results

Pilar Martinez introduced Ms. Laura Winton, Customer Experience Team Chair at EPL. Laura presented the 2018 Summary Report, providing the Board with a view of final results, areas of strength, areas of opportunity, and next steps. She responded to questions from the Board.

6b) Capital Projects Update

Pilar Martinez introduced Johnny Nielsen, Director, Facilities and Operations, to the Board and turned the presentation over to him. Johnny presented updates on 3 major projects currently taking place; Londonderry, Capilano, and Stanley A. Milner. All questions were answered to the Board's satisfaction.

6c) EPL Board of Trustees' Endorsement of Improved eBook and Digital Audiobook Accessibility

Sharon Day, Director, Branch Services and Collections shared with the Board the challenges libraries across Canada are facing with providing access to eBooks and eAudiobooks due to licensing restrictions placed by publishers. A nation-wide eBook Task Force is requesting the support of Canadian library boards and municipalities to endorse a motion that would support the investigation into the restrictive licensing models currently being used.

MOTION: That the Board support and champion the investigation of publishers' restrictive practices in making eBooks and digital audiobooks available to public libraries, including the higher prices charged to public libraries, and restrictive licensing models.

Moved by Jennifer Huntley. Seconded by Nazir Mulji.

CARRIED

MOTION: That the Board Request that City Council support and champion investigation of publishers' restrictive practices in making eBooks and digital audiobooks available to public libraries, including the higher prices charged to public libraries, and restrictive licensing models.

Moved by Jennifer Huntley. Seconded by Nazir Mulji.

CARRIED

6d) Finance and Audit Committee Report

Nazir Mulji provided the Board with an update on the Finance and Audit Committee's May activities. He then turned the floor to Gastone Monai, who introduced Michael Sambir, Director, Service Design, to present the Board with an overview of the EPL's Enterprise Risk Management Report. Michael outlined the framework and answered questions from the Board.

MOTION: That the Board receive the May 2, 2018 F&A Committee Report as information.

Moved by Nazir Mulji. Seconded by Jennifer Huntley.

CARRIED

6e) Committee and Chair Appointments

Chair, Brian Heidecker, referred to the report included in the Board Package which outlines the membership for 2018-19. Jennifer Huntley volunteered to be the Anthology representative for the 2018-19 term.

MOTION: That the Board accept the Committee and Chair appointments for the 2018-19 term.

Moved by Dr. Fern Snart. Seconded by Aaida Peerani.

CARRIED

7. IN CAMERA

MOTION: That the Board move *in camera* to discuss the Milner Library Funding Strategy Report.

Moved by Nazir Mulji. Seconded by Jennifer Huntley.

CARRIED

The meeting moved *in camera* at 6:41 p.m.

6a) ii) 2019-2022 Forecast and Budget

MOTION: That the Board move *out of camera*.

Moved by Dr. Fern Snart. Seconded by Nazir Mulji.

CARRIED

The meeting moved out of camera at 6:55 p.m.

8. NEW INQUIRIES

There were no items identified.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.