MINUTES OF THE

QUINTE WEST PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

March 28, 2018 - 2:00 p.m.

Multi-Purpose Room

Present: J. Vanleeuwen - Chair

D. Couture N. Gates

G. Quinn

B. Yakachuk

Staff: R. Turtle

C. Boutilier

Y. Wolters

Regrets: C. Lane

Absent: S. Freeman

CALL TO ORDER

J. Vanleeuwen called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: to accept the agenda, as amended.

(Yakachuk, Gates) carried.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were none.

MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETING

Motion: to accept the minutes of February 28, 2018 as circulated. (Couture, Gates) carried.

Motion: to accept the in camera minutes of February 28, 2018 as circulated.

(Yakachuk, Couture) carried.

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Motion: to accept the special budget meeting minutes of March 7, 2018 as circulated. (Couture, Yakachuk) carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

RFID Planning – R. Turtle informed the board that the Request for proposal (RFP) is out, a site visit has been completed and confirmed an April 10th deadline.

STAFF REPORTS

Chief Executive Officer's Report – R. Turtle updated the board on activities in the library in the preceding month, including quarterly reports from Adult and Children's services departments.

Financial Report

There was none.

Motion: to accept the CEO's report. (Quinn, Couture) carried.

DECISION ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS

FOPL Funding 2018

The Federation of Ontario Public Libraries (FOPL) invites all libraries to engage with your MPPs and work with FOPL and OLA to ask for an increase in the Public Library Operating Grant (PLOG), greater support for all public and First Nation libraries and an Ontario Digital Library in the 2018 provincial budget.

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Motion:

WHEREAS, public libraries provide safe, inclusive, and vibrant community spaces where everyone of all backgrounds are welcome to learn, work, innovate, explore, connect, and collaborate; and,

WHEREAS, the Quinte West Public Library engages with the community and contributes to a culture of social good by sharing knowledge and resources; and,

WHEREAS, the Quinte West Public Library continues to seek funding opportunities through donor development and sponsorships to increase services and expand programming outside of their core funding; and

WHEREAS, in 2017 the Quinte West Public Library continues to have a limited resources budget despite an increase in new cardholders, increases in eresource usage and increases in programming attendance; and,

WHEREAS, the Quinte West Public Library continues to manage public resources with the utmost care and are committed to the sustainability of their services, materials and programming; and,

WHEREAS, the Quinte West Public Library continues to deliver services that support provincial initiatives, such as poverty reduction, lifelong learning and skill development, local economic development, health literacy, and provides equitable access to provincial government web sites and services; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Quinte West Public Library Board urges the province of Ontario to recognize the contribution of local libraries within their communities and to cease the 20 year budget freeze to local libraries in an acknowledgement to the services they offer to all residents; and,

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Quinte West Public Library Board urges the province of Ontario to reinstate adequate and appropriate funding for local libraries, increasing each year going forward in line with the Consumer Price Index; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport, Minister of Finance, Minister of Education and Minister responsible for Early Years & Child Care, to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Minister of Advanced Education and Skills Development, to the Ontario Library Association, to local MPPs, and the City of Quinte West Council.

(Gates, Quinn) Carried

Further, Library Board members are invited to attend a meeting with Lou Rinaldi, MPP at his constituency office to discuss this issue. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 4th, 9:00-9:30 a.m. in Cobourg.

CEO Hiring Committee

The committee has met to begin the process of hiring a new CEO and has discussed the need to establish a preliminary budget for this work.

Motion: That the Quinte West Public Library Board authorizes the transfer of funds from the library project reserve, to cover any expenses incurred for the search and hiring of a new library CEO, at the upset limit of \$10,000.00.

(Couture, Gates) carried.

R.Turtle submitted an updated CEO Job description to the committee for their review.

CORRESPONDENCE, ITEMS OF INFORMATION AND PUBLIC INPUT

Policy - The amended *Circulation policy #2 Library Membership* was reviewed and approved. Note: policy was rewritten for clarification purposes only.

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Canada Council Grant – R.Turtle shared that we while we have received funding from this grant in previous years, in 2018 we are not recipients.

Blue Cloud Mobile – QWPL is going to participate in a trial period for the app, Blue Cloud Mobile. This will offer better access to the library's catalogue for iOS and Android devices. This 4-5 month test project is available discounted through the Ontario Library Consortium (OLC).

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING: April 25th, 2018 2:00 p.m.

AJOURNMENT

Motion: to adjourn.

(Vanleeuwen, Yakachuk) carried.

Secretary