



**Nelson Public Library Board
Regular Meeting
Thursday April 18, 2024
Minutes**

In Attendance

Tracey Therrien, Chief Librarian
 Laura Harris, Assistant
 Anni Holtby
 Sue Adam
 Fernando Murray
 Caroline McChesney
 Kathleen Cauley

Regrets

Jesse Pineiro
 Dey Stuart
 Lesley Garlow

Recorder: Zoë Creighton (from recording)
 Guest: Kathy Spears (Area E)

	SUMMARY OF ACTIONS FROM THIS MEETING	Who	By When
1.	Send out poll for Board/Staff luncheon dates	Tracey	May
2.	Share back the ideas generated during the advocacy activity	Fernando	May meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:32 PM by Chair Anni Holtby, who offered a territorial acknowledgement.

Anni introduced Kathy Spears as a guest, who has put her name forward as the Area E Representative.

1. Adoption of Regular Agenda

M/S S. Adam/ K.Cauley

That the Agenda for the meeting be adopted as circulated. **CARRIED.**

2. Adoption of Consent Agenda

- Minutes of March 21, 2024 Meeting (date corrected from Tuesday to Thursday)
- Committee & Liaison reports:
 - Fund Development: Sue
 - BCLTA: Dey
 - Gov and Nom: Anni and Caroline
 - KLF: Sue

Anni declared the consent agenda adopted.

3. Committee Reports (not in consent agenda)

- Friends: Kathleen/Tracey
 The Friends will hold a literary trivia fundraising event on Monday, May 13th from 6pm at Finley's – lots of locally-donated prizes - the Friends are energised!

4. **Board Annual Agenda:**

- April: Board & Staff annual luncheon - confirm dates

Tracey proposed a series of dates at noon in June.

ACTION: Tracey will send out a poll for Trustees to confirm availabilities.

- May:
 - Invite RDCK Area H, F & E to board meeting
 - Conduct Board self-evaluation

5. **Librarian's report**

Tracey offered highlights of her distributed report, including:

- Seniors' outreach, Area E outreach at Redfish School
- Staff training
- Projects funded by province's enhancement grant (internal signage, multilingual welcome signs)
- Ensuring all Trustees are signed up for newsletter
- Truth and Reconciliation: looking to engage a consultant to support this work
- Funding received for 2 students for summer reading program
- Magazine drive has raised \$3000 to date
- 3 staff are heading to the Provincial Library Conference next week
- Heather Joy is making efforts to increase accessibility to the Library's website

A conversation ensued.

6. **Financials, quarterly report:** Tracey

Tracey presented the Q1 financial report, and invited questions.

M/S/C S.Adam/ K. Cauley

That the Q1 Financial Report be accepted as presented.

7. **Juvenile Memberships recommended policy change**

Tracey provided the rationale for the recommended policy change.

M/S C. McChesney/ S.Adam

To change juvenile membership age range from 0-14 to 0-12 and adult membership age range from 15 and up to 13 and up.

A discussion ensued. **CARRIED.**

8. **Advocacy** – who are our stakeholders? Fernando led an activity around exploring social networks and community connections. The topic explored was *building alliances for creating a new library facility*. Below is an overview of the steps of process.

Step 1: (1 min.) Write the names of the key group members in the center of the page.

Step 2: (5 min.) Who are other people actively pursuing this purpose?

Brainstorm and create post-its with the names of people you would like to include in your **immediate network**.

Organize the post-its around the key group, with “degrees of separation” between the person and the core group members.

Step 3 (5 min.) Who else would you like to include in this work?

Brainstorm and include names of other people (friends of friends?) that you would like to include in the **peripheral network**.

Step 4 (7 min.) Observe the map and reflect:

Who knows whom?

Who has influence and expertise?

Who can block progress?

Who can accelerate progress?

Create lines of connection between people.

Step 5 (12 min.) Create at least three strategies to:

Invite and attract new people, weaving the network to achieve our purpose

Navigate around blockages

Boost progress

Trustees reported out their ideas, and thanked Fernando for the engaging activity.

ACTION: Fernando will share back the ideas generated during the activity at the may Board meeting.

9. **How did we do check -in** : Anni

Anni facilitated a round for Trustees to reflect upon the meeting, and their respective and collective roles within it.

10. Business/Action items arising from Minutes

	SUMMARY OF ACTIONS FROM MARCH MEETING	Who	Status
1.	No Actions		

11. Adjournment

M/S/C K. Cauley/ S.Adam

That the Regular meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM, moved to in camera.