

**Asphodel-Norwood Library Board
Minutes of Zoom Meeting
April 12, 2021**

Mission Statement

The Asphodel-Norwood Public Library supports and enriches the community by providing access to resources, programming, and interactive opportunities for lifelong learning and leisure

The Asphodel-Norwood Public Library Board held its regular monthly meeting by Zoom on Monday, April 12, 2021 at 7:04 p.m.

The following Board members were present:
Roger Bonneau, Jane Bryenton, Maggie Brickell, Margaret Dawson, Mary Hay, Patricia Reed, Krista Rutherford, Laurie Strawbridge
CEO/Librarian Kris Van Luven was also present.

Call to Order

Chairperson Mary Hay called the meeting to order and reminded members of the Board of their obligation to declare any pecuniary interest that they may have in regard to any matter coming before the Board. There were no declarations.

Laurie Strawbridge was introduced; a recent appointment to the Library Board.

Approval of Agenda

01.04.21 Motion
Moved by Jane Bryenton Seconded by Maggie Brickell
That the Agenda be approved as circulated.
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Approval of Minutes

02.04.21 Motion
Moved by Roger Bonneau Seconded by Jane Bryenton
That the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held March 8, 2021 be approved..
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Business Arising from the Minutes

Nothing Noted

CEO Report

Kris van Luven CEO/Librarian highlighted her report.
Due to the Provincial Government Stay At Home Order, the Norwood Library will be open Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and the Westwood Library, Thursday morning.
As part of the April school break Activities, the Library is hosting a Virtual Watercolour Workshop on April 14, 2021. 32 children have registered for this workshop.
The Library staff continue to receive appreciation for the Life Bio program that was held from October to March. One attendee has submitted a letter to a local newspaper, supporting the initiative.

There has been an increase in Library Card registration, following the Newsletter that was sent out in cooperation with the Lions Club.
Concern was expressed regarding the shortened library hours during this Stay at Home order and the library staff were asked to consider an evening opening.

03.04.21 Motion
Moved by Krista Rutherford Seconded by Patricia Reed
That the CEO Report be received.
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Committee Reports

Finance:

Patricia Reed reported that the 2020 budget has seen a surplus that is due mainly as a result of COVID pandemic programming.
It was suggested that consideration be given to use some of the surplus to hire a consultant to prepare the Asphodel Norwood Public Library Strategic Plan.

04.04.21 Motion
Moved by Krista Rutherford Seconded by Patricia Reed
That the committee report be received.
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Strategic Planning:

A discussion regarding the Strategic Plan took place with various ideas proposed regarding Cost and terms of Consultants.

05.04.21 Motion
Moved by Maggie Brickell Seconded by Margaret Dawson
That the continuing discussion on the Strategic Plan be deferred until the May 10 meeting to allow the CEO to source and cost several Consultants.

Defeated

The Board discussed the suggestions that had been presented during the Strategic Planning session at the February meeting with the CEO recording the topics into High Level Themes.
The Asphodel Norwood Public Library Survey 2019 was reviewed and discussed with a view to the programs that might be promoted during this COVID pandemic.
It was recommended that another survey be organized for 2021. This might be done as a staff phone call to library card holders asking for suggestions, to provide programs and services that the community needs.
It was suggested that the financial aspect of more librarian and staff hours needs to be considered.

New/Other Business

Mary Hay will forward by email, the SOLS HQ learning opportunities information, to the Board members.
Kris highlighted her Reflections and Goals 2020 document.

Closed Session

06.04.21

Motion

Moved by Jane Bryenton Seconded by Patricia Reed
That the Board move into Closed Session at 8:33 p.m.
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The Board meeting resumed in Open Session at 8:52 p.m.

Questions/Answers

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Adjournment

07.04.21

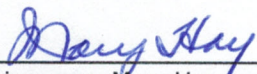
Motion

Moved by Maggie Brickell
That the meeting be declared adjourned.
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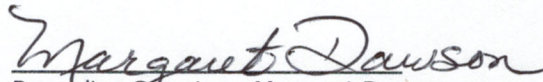
Next Regular Board Meeting

Monday, May 10, 2021

At 7:00 p.m.



Chairperson, Mary Hay


Recording Secretary, Margaret Dawson