



WHISTLER PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Wednesday, October 7 @ 5:30 pm
Zoom meeting
MINUTES

Attending:

Tina Young (Chair)
Allison Winkle
Bevin Heath Ansley
Jeff Murl
Josie Chuback
Mike Walsh
Ralph Forsyth
Sheilagh Martin
Thomas Sikora
Elizabeth Tracy

Regrets:

Curtis Collins
Sharon Schrul

050. Call to Order

Traditional Territories Acknowledgement Statement - Allison

100. Approval of Agenda

Motion: That the Agenda be approved with the changes

Moved: Mike

Seconded: Ralph

Approved unanimously

200. Consent Agenda

1. Play well with others

1.1 Public Comments

2. Make Life Better

1.1 Approval of Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of previous meeting

Motion: That the consent agenda and the July Minutes be approved

Moved: Josie

Seconded: Mike

Approved unanimously

300. Business Arising from Reports

400. New Business

1. Play well with others

1.1. Balancing contact tracing and patron privacy

Elizabeth explained the contact tracing at the library. Under the library act we are required to keep everyone's privacy. The Board has the power to make any changes, but she warned about the significance of changing the rules. If we have a case reporting we would be looking toward Coastal Health for leadership, but likely would report to the public.

Additional reading in *"For your information"*

1.2. Fundraising update

Thomas shared the fundraising high level plan with the board explaining that most of the events were put on hold and efforts have shifted to advocacy. He made some suggestions like an online charity auction and marketing library merchandise and mentioned to the benefits of partnering with another group. He asked the Board to provide feedback.

1.3. Advocacy update

Mike updated the Board on advocacy, noting that Bevin joined and shared a list of things to consider in developing relationships. He mentioned that he would like to meet with all the members to talk about advocacy. He will be sending the link to access Touchpoints, so the Trustees can learn more on the committee. He asked the group for suggestions to provide Ralph with some highlights to share at council meetings.

1.4. Draft 2021 Budget

Elizabeth resumed the status for the draft 2021 budget, mentioning that it is complex and unprecedented.

1.5. Recommendations of the Trustee recruitment selection committee

Motion to go in camera for the recommendations of the Trustee recruitment selection committee

Moved: Allison

Seconded: Josie

Approved unanimously

1.6. Board self-evaluation launch

Josie explained the Board self-evaluation. This is a survey tool that is implemented annually to help the board understand what it does well and identify areas for growth or change. She will circulate the contents to get feedback on any changes to the questionnaire; then the HRG committee will revise, distribute, collect, and share the results for the next board meeting.

1.7. Policy 900 & Appendices

Postpone to next meeting

1.8. Award of excellent

Elizabeth mentioned that after five times of being nominated, the Library was awarded Whistler Excellence Award for Whistler Experience Service – Large Business.

Josie mentioned the BCLTA Trustee Excellence Award

This annual award recognizes a trustee who through governance excellence has made a major contribution to their public library and community. The nominee must have been on a public library board within the past two years. This year Bevin was awarded the Award of Excellence at the BCLTA AGM October 6/20

“Bevin Heath Ansley joined the Whistler Public Library Board in January 2016 and brought a refreshing professional perspective stepping up as chair of the HR committee for her first 2 year term. Bevin reviewed and improved policies and procedures for the board and worked closely with the municipality to clarify and streamline the performance review process for our Library Director. She also significantly improved trustee onboarding and ongoing training and development for board members. Bevin served as Chair of the board from January 2018 to January 2020 and in this role provided leadership and support to trustees and represented Whistler at the 2019 Partner sessions at BCLA.

Bevin also played a significant role in motivating and inspiring others to visibly advocate for and financially support the library including leading two significant partnerships:- collaboration with the Rotary Club on a Blues benefit and soliciting contributions and donations to the Cornucopia food and wine festival over a number of years.

Bevin is now serving as vice chair and continues to provide her expertise, insights and support to our board at the Whistler Public Library.”

500. Old Business

1. Make Life Better

- 1.1. Pandemic statistics and update
Postpone to next meeting
- 1.2. Updated Risk Matrix
Postpone to next meeting

600. Agenda items for next meeting

- 1. Budget 2021 for approval
- 2. Results of board self-evaluation

700. For Information

ALA Core values

IFLA Statement

Sample statement from the VPL privacy officer

1. Next Meetings:

1.1.Executive – **November 24, 2020 @ 4:00 pm Zoom**

1.2.Board – **December 2, 2020 @ 5:30 pm Zoom**

900. Adjournment

Motion: That the meeting be adjourned

Moved: Josie

Seconded: Jeff

Approved unanimously