

BURNABY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Minutes of a regular meeting held 2020 September 17 at 19:05h via Zoom.

PRESENT: Jeffrey Yu (Chair)
Gene Blishen
Surena Bains
Chris Dong
Ernie Kashima
Lorraine Shore
Mandy Yang
Councillor Johnston

ALSO PRESENT: Beth Davies (Secretary)
Trish Mau
Heidi Schiller
Christie Menzo
Sharon Notarrigo
Sarah Bjorknas
Maja Suzberic
Andrea Gorgec

REGRETS: Matt Foley

We would like to recognize we are on the ancestral and unceded homelands of the hənq̓əmiñəm and Skwxwú7mesh speaking peoples, and to extend appreciation for the opportunity to hold a meeting on this shared territory.

1. Agenda

MOVED by Ernie Kashima
Seconded by Chris Dong

"That the agenda be received."

CARRIED

2. Minutes

i) **MOVED** by Lorraine Shore

"That the minutes of the regular meeting held 2020 August 20 be adopted as circulated."

Seconded by Surena Bains

CARRIED

3. Reports

i) Board Chair

The Board Chair reported on his experience filming the Summer Reading Club

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Medal video, expressing thanks to everyone who produced and participated in it.

ii) InterLINK Representative

The InterLINK Representative noted he was very pleased to see that inter-library borrowing is in effect. He also reported on his recent visit to Richmond Public Library.

4. Items Requiring a Decision

i) Proposed 2021 Meeting Dates

Beth spoke to the proposed meeting dates for 2021.

MOVED by Ernie Kashima

“That the Library Board approve the meeting dates for 2021 as presented.”

Seconded by Lorraine Shore

CARRIED

5. Items for Information

i) New Cameron Branch

The Cameron Branch Manager gave a presentation on the design consultation process of the new Cameron Branch. Inspiration renderings from the architects were shown, which were based on feedback from public consultations and input from the staff working group.

ii) BCLTA AGM

Beth spoke to the BC Library Trustees Association’s Annual General Meeting, which will be held virtually this year. Trustees who are interested in attending were asked to contact the Administrative Assistant, who will register them.

Trustees
Administrative
Assistant

6. Report of the Chief Librarian

i) COVID-19 and Library Operations

The Chief Librarian spoke to the report, highlighting the following:

- Effective September 8, all branches expanded service to allow for browsing and limited additional seating. Patrons are being asked to keep their visits short but are still very happy to be able to spend some time in the library. It was a busy week, especially at Metrotown and McGill.
- New connections are being made with the Korean community, as community outreach work continues.
- Half of the children who participated in BPL’s virtual Summer Reading Club have already come to safely pick up their medals.
- There hasn’t been a drop off in digital resource borrowing, even though physical item circulation is increasing.

ii) Public Service Staffing Model

Beth spoke to the report, providing a background refresher and noting that the new model will be launched in January 2021. Extensive training will be provided to Library Clerk 2s and 3s in order for them to be reclassified to Information Clerks. Librarian 1s will focus on specific areas, including collection work, community outreach, and public service.

The new model had been shared with staff for feedback, and the final version will be released within the next couple of weeks. Regular updates on the progress of implementation continue to be shared with staff.

7. Other Business

i) Meetings

The Board Chair asked Trustees whether they would like to continue meeting via Zoom or move to in-person. For safety reasons, the Board agreed to keep the meetings virtual for the foreseeable future.

8. Adjournment

MOVED by Lorraine Shore
Seconded by Chris Dong

“That the regular meeting adjourn.”

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 20:20h.

Jeffrey Yu (Chair)

Beth Davies (Secretary)

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