

Grand Valley Public Library Board

Minutes Wednesday May 11, 2022

PRESENT

Chair: Carol Hall

Vice Chair: Julie Van Alstine

Board Members: Rahmatu Etti-Balogun

East Garafraxa Rep.: Fran Pinkney

Amaranth Rep.: Steve Niedzwiecki

CEO: Joanne Stevenson

REGRETS

Board Member: Shane di Benedetto

Town of Grand Valley Rep.: Philip Rentsch

1. **Call to order:** CEO 7:17 p.m.
2. We [I] would like to acknowledge that we are on the the Haldimand Tract, land promised to the Haudenosaunee (**HOE day na shun ay**) people of Six Nations, which includes six miles on each side of the Grand River. This territory is the traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishnaabeg (**On ish KNOB eck**), and Haudenosaunee (**HOE day na shun ay**) Peoples.
3. **Approval of the agenda.**
MOTION #1: Moved by F. Pinkney, seconded by J. Van Alstine, that the agenda be approved
4. **No declaration of any conflicts of interest at this time.**
5. **Minutes of the March 9, 2022 meeting.**
MOTION #2: Moved by J. Van Alstine, seconded by F. Pinkney, that the minutes of the March 2022 meeting, be approved.
6. **Business arising from the minutes.**
C.E.O will order 10 replacement tables for the program room with funds from the revenue of Ruby & the Well.
7. **Correspondence.**
 - 7.1 Ontario Library Service Newsletter – email
 - 7.2 FOPL Newsletter - email**MOTION #3:** Moved by S. Niedzwiecki, seconded by R. Etti-Balogun that the correspondence be received.
8. **Financial Report.**

8.1 Operating.

MOTION #4: Moved by S. Niedzwiecki, seconded R. Etti-Balogun, to accept the reviewed operating expenses for March (\$34,124.51) & April (\$25,642.26)

MOTION #5: Moved by F. Pinkney, seconded by J. VanAlstine, to accept the 1st quarterly financials.

8.2 Capital

MOTION #6: Moved by S. Niedzwiecki, seconded by F. Pinkney to accept the reviewed financial statement for the capital account for February. (no expenses)

9. Committee Reports.

9.1 Finance

MOTION #7: Moved by S. Niedzwiecki, Seconded by J. Van Alstine to invest \$97,000 into a 1-year cashable GIC at the Royal Bank.

Canada Summer Jobs grant approved for a summer student, 10 weeks for 35 hours/week.

9.2 Personnel, Administration and By-laws.

The Library and Political Elections View Points, reviewed

MOTION #8: Moved by J. Van Alstine, seconded by R. Etti-Balogun the following policies be approved.

- The Library and Political Elections Policy
- Community Information
- Duties & Responsibilities of Individual Board Members
- Board Governance Policy, revised.
- Environmental Policy.

9.3 Advocacy.

Book Sale – set up, Friday, May 20th at 10:00am.

9.4 Strategic Planning.

Strategic Report Card - reviewed

9.5 Information Technology/Communications.

Helm MSP Inc., contracted for IT Support

Front Desk computers replaced.

10. Chair Report.

11. CEO Report.

- May 1, open all regular hours
- Programs are now all in-person. We had an Easter egg hunt in the Library April 11-14.
- Carpets were cleaned, April 18th
- Statistics, programs are doing well and circulation is increasing.
- Attended CEO Network Meeting, NIKLA (National Indigenous knowledge and Language Alliance) workshop – Respectful Terminology: Creating a National Framework.
- Sitting Area – Water leak, temporary fix was replacing caulking outside. Facia under solarium will be replaced after the patio repairs have been completed.
- Letter to Orica has been sent requesting a donation.

- Letter sent from the Dufferin-Caledon Riding Libraries to provincial candidates to advocate for libraries.
- EAF Fund – Bathrooms are moving forward, completion will be done May/June.

12. New Business

OLS Broadband Connectivity Project – The library has been approved and will be receiving Fibre Optics to the building. The Project will also cover capital costs of replacing the switch and 1 year of internet.

13. Next meeting. Wednesday June 8, 2022. 7:15 p.m. McGinnis Room

14. Motion to adjourn. 8:45 p.m. J. Van Alstine.