

**Grand Valley Public Library Board**  
**Minutes Wednesday November 9, 2022**

**PRESENT**

Chair: Carol Hall  
Vice Chair: Julie Van Alstine  
Board Member: Shane di Benedetto  
Town of Grand Valley Rep.: Philip Rentsch  
CEO: Joanne Stevenson

**REGRETS**

East Garafraxa Rep.: Fran Pinkney  
Amaranth Rep.: Steve Niedzwiecki  
Board Member: Rahmatu Etti-Balogun

1. **Call to order:** 7:15 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 J. Van Alstine, seconded by P. Rentsch, that the agenda be approved
  
4. **No declaration of any conflicts of interest at this time.**
  
5. **Minutes of the October 13, 2022 meeting.**  
**MOTION #2:** Moved by J. Van Alstine, seconded by S. di Benedetto, that the minutes of the October 2022 meeting, be approved.
  
6. **Business arising from the minutes.**
  
7. **Correspondence.**  
Grand Valley Agricultural Society  
**MOTION #3:** Moved by P. Rentsch, seconded by J. Van Alstine that the correspondence be received.
  
8. **Financial Report.**
  - 8.1 **Operating.**  
**MOTION #4:** Moved by J. Van Alstine, seconded S. di Benedetto, to accept the reviewed operating expenses for October (\$25,613.37)
  
  - 8.2 **Capital**

**MOTION #5:** Moved by J. Van Alstine, seconded S. di Benedetto, to accept the reviewed Capital financial statement.

## 9. Committee Reports.

### 9.1 Finance

GIC (1.85% interest rate) was redeemed. The interest (\$845.63) and original investment (\$97,000) was reinvested into Non-Redeemable GIC (4% interest rate) for 90 days.

### 9.2 Personnel, Administration and By-laws.

OMERS update: The Library's OMERS account has been set-up. The Library will start administering the OMERS to employees starting January 1, 2023. The Town of Grand Valley will administer the two employees on OMERS until that date, when their account will be transferred to the library. CEO is to attend training session to learn about administering the Library's Account.

**MOTION #6:** Moved by J Van Alstine, seconded by P. Rentsch to approved the reviewed and revised policy, Accessible Policy and Accessible Plan

### 9.3 Advocacy.

Book Sale: November 14-19, Set up – Saturday, November 12 at 10am.

Library Board Members 2023-2026 – The Town of Grand Valley will be posting for the community members positions for the Library Board soon. Present members on the board need to reapply. A brochure is available for more information for those interested. The Town of Grand Valley will select board members from applicants.

### 9.4 Strategic Planning.

Strategic Plan Report Card will be updated and presented at the December Board Meeting.

### 9.5 Information Technology/Communications.

## 10. Chair Report.

## 11. CEO Report.

- Program news: Masquerade on Main, over 300 children participated  
Teen photo contest winner: S. Jonker, picture on display
- CEO made a presentation to the Town of Grand Valley Council.
- GV small business group, welcome bags will be picked up at the library.
- Concern Food Bank has approached us to participate in the Angel Tree Program. The program allows people to pick an angel off a Christmas tree and purchase the gift associated with the Angel to be giving to a person in need this Christmas.
- The Grand Valley Agricultural Society is willing to use the old table that are no longer needed.

## 12. New Business

Dufferin Community Grant has become available, the library will apply for next year.

**13. Next meeting.** Wednesday December 14, 2022. 7:15 p.m. McGinnis Room

**14. Motion to adjourn.** 7:48 p.m. J. Van Alstine.