

REGULAR MEETING

April 18, 2007

The regular meeting of the London Public Library Board was held on the above date in the Friends of the London Public Library Board Room at 5:35 p.m. with the following present:

From the Board S. MacDonald (Chair), G. Barber, J. Colwell, J. Deslippe, J. Lubell, J. Morgan, J. Tilley and D. Winninger;

Senior Management: A. Becker, S. Hubbard Krimmer, M. Mitchell and L. Sage;

Friends of the Library: Don Menard, Suzanne O'Neill, Mike Queale, Connie Sullivan, Agota Tenk and Edna Mae Walsh;

Minutes taken by: J. White.

APOLOGIES – N. Branscombe

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST - none

L07/18 CHANGES TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was MOVED by Councillor Winninger and seconded by Ms. Tilley that the agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

L07/19 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The following amendments were made:

L07/16/4 – Mr. Colwell
L07/16.1 – second paragraph, last line – browsing
L07/15 - Fullerton

It was MOVED by Mr. Colwell and seconded by Controller Barber that the minutes of March 21, 2007 (L07/13-L07/17) be approved as amended.

CARRIED

L07/20 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Internet

Ms. Becker advised the Board that an Action plan on Internet Policy and computer filtering procedures will be prepared for the May Board meeting.

L07/21 DELEGATIONS

Friends of the London Public Library - Donation

Ms. Mitchell introduced members of the Executive of the Friends of the Library: Connie Sullivan, Co-President; Suzanne O'Neill, Co-President; Agota Tenk, Manager of Library Store; Mike Queale, Treasurer; Don Menard, Booksale Coordinator; and Edna Mae Walsh, Volunteer Coordinator, Booksale.

Ms. Sullivan presented a cheque to the Library Board for \$56,000 which represents proceeds from two major fundraisers, the annual October Booksale at the Western Fairgrounds and proceeds from the Library store

Ms. Becker expressed the Library's appreciation to members of the Friends for their continued generous donations to the Library.

It was MOVED by Controller Barber and seconded by Ms. Lubell that a \$56,000 donation from Friends of the Library be allocated as follows:

Friends of the London Public Library Donation Recommended Allocation	
<i>Item</i>	<i>Funding</i>
Reading Garden Maintenance Provide garden maintenance services in order to ensure that the area remains a pleasurable area for reading, programs and gatherings	\$7,000
Central Library Service Area Improvements Business case provided in fall of 2006; to support significant improvements in service areas. To develop DiscoverPlace, Computer Commons and Lifelong Learning & Literacy Centre.	\$20,000
Summer Reading Program (SRP) Provide matching funds to hire summer students for SRP, which encourages reading and literacy for children	\$5,000
Summer R.E.A.D. Provide funding to hire youth as Summer Literacy Facilitators, in 15 branch locations, providing one on one reading help services for children ages seven and up.	\$12,000
Children's Literacy through Technology Adapt current children's CD-ROM workstations (many funded by Friends) to create new Children's Literacy Stations in all locations. Focused on the literacy needs of children ages three to eight, each station will be equipped with approximately 25 educational software packages.	\$5,000
Teen Annex Continue to improve services in the Teen Annex at Central and to support the expansion of the Teen Annex into many of our branch locations, with the purchase of listening/viewing stations, graphic novels, and development of enhanced teen programming, etc.	\$7,000
Total	\$56,000

CARRIED

L07/22 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, MEMBERS, AND STAFF REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

Customer Service and Branch Operations – Services to Socially Excluded Londoners

A review team was struck to investigate the need for outreach to those Londoners who were socially excluded. A meeting was held on February 27th, 2007 with community partners to discuss this issue. A service delivery plan will be designed as part of the entire LPL Strategic Plan. Ms. Deslippe offered the assistance of United Way to circulate Library information to service organizations in London.

It was MOVED by Ms. Deslippe and seconded by Ms. Lubell that the report on Customer Service and Branch Operations – Services to Socially Excluded Londoners be received.

CARRIED

L07/22.1 Financial Update – Financial Statements to March 31, 2007

An overview of variances to March 31, 2007 was provided. There are no significant concerns related to the variances. It was clarified that bracketed figures in the "Actual for Month" column were internal adjustments, such as the reversal of year-end accruals.

It was MOVED by Ms. Tilley and seconded by Ms. Lubell that the Financial Update – Financial Statements to March 31, 2007 be received.

CARRIED

L07/22.2 Library Event Calendar

It was MOVED by Controller Barber and seconded by Mr. Morgan that the Library Event Calendar be received.

CARRIED

L07/23 CONSENT ITEMS

It was MOVED by Councillor Winninger and seconded by Controller Barber that the following consent items be received:

Press Clippings
Letter from K. Bain regarding plaque to commemorate Margaret Fullerton (March 2, 2007).

CARRIED

ON MOTION, the meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Chair

Secretary