

REGULAR MEETING

February 23, 2005

The regular meeting of the London Public Library Board was held on the above date in the London Public Library Friends of the Library Board Room at 6:05 p.m. with the following present:

From the Board F. Tranquilli (Chair), P. Coderre, P. Griffith, G. Kerhoulas, S. MacDonald, J. Schlemmer, W. Thorpe and D. Winninger;

Administration: J. Bowerbank, S. Hubbard Krimmer, B. Irwin, B. Jessop and M. Mitchell;

Guests: L. Elwood, London Downtown Business Association; P. Gallin, K. Rogers, The Autism Society; C. Cadogan, J. Peters, Nokee Kwe; M. Reynolds, AlphaPlus;

Staff: D. Deane Cummings, D. McCord, P. Tripp, B. Whitney;

Minutes taken by: J. White.

APOLOGIES - R. Caranci, D. Skidmore

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST - none

L05/07 DELEGATIONS

Recognition for Children's Librarian of the Year Award - Delilah Deane Cummings

Ms. Delilah Deane Cummings was awarded the Children's Librarian of the Year Award at the Ontario Library Association Conference on February 3, 2005. For over twenty years, Ms. Deane Cummings has demonstrated outstanding leadership in children's services, as well as her longstanding commitment to working with parents, caregivers and children. She was responsible for the development in 1991 of the very successful *Book for Every Child* program.

Board members congratulated Ms. Deane Cummings on her award.

L05/07.1 The Autism Society - Patricia Gallin and Kevin Rogers

In 2002, the Autism Society donated \$5,000 to the Library for the purchase of books and videos suitable for parents, caregivers, teachers, and others involved with people with autism. This year, an additional \$1,000 has been donated.

The Chair thanked Ms. Gallin, Mr. Rogers and the Autism Society for their generous support of the Library.

L05/07.2 London Downtown Business Association - Lindsey Elwood

The LDBA has been instrumental in London's downtown revitalization through the Mainstreet Program. In partnership with the Library, LDBA donated \$2,000 for the purchase of books about retail and entertainment/restaurant business activities.

The Chair thanked Mr. Elwood and the LDBA for their generous support of the Library.

L05/07.4 AlphaPlus and Nokee Kwe - Mary Reynolds, Carl Cadogan and John Peters

AlphaPlus and Nokee Kwe are participating in a program called *Linking Literacy and Libraries* which is funded by the National Literacy Secretariat. A deposit collection of 200 literacy materials has been provided for six months.

The Chair thanked Ms. Reynolds and Messrs. Cadogan and Peters for their generous support of the Library.

L05/07.5 London Education and Training Society

London Education and Training Society donated \$3,190 for the purchase of training, business and organizational materials for LPL's collection.

It was MOVED by Mr. Griffith and seconded by Mr. Kerhoulas that the verbal report on donations to the London Public Library be received.

CARRIED

L05/07.6 Friends of the London Public Library

A delegation from Friends of the London Public Library will be attending the March 30, 2005 Board meeting.

L05/08 CHANGES TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

_____ It was MOVED by Mr. Kerhoulas and seconded by Ms. Coderre that the agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

L05/09 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

_____ It was MOVED by Ms. MacDonald and seconded by Councillor Winner that the minutes of January 26, 2005 (L05/01-L05/06) be approved as amended.

CARRIED

_____ At 6:40 p.m, the Board entered in-camera session. The meeting resumed at 7:40 p.m.

L05/10 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Branch Refurbishments - Monthly Update

_____ Ms. Mitchell updated the Board on the progress of branch refurbishments.

_____ It was MOVED by Mr. Griffith and seconded by Ms. MacDonald that Branch Refurbishments Monthly Update be received.

CARRIED

L05/11 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, MEMBERS, AND STAFF REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

_____ 2004/2005 Budget Report

A report was taken to Board of Control on February 16, 2005 regarding the end of year allocation to Reserve Funds. Support was received for this report.

Administration will be meeting with City Hall Human Resources staff to discuss vacancy management.

It was MOVED by Mr. Griffith and seconded by Mr. Schlemmer that the 2004/2005 Operating Budget impacts be received and further, that the 2005 summer closures and service reductions be eliminated.

CARRIED

L05/11.1 Security RFP

It was MOVED by Mr. Kerhoulas and seconded by Councillor Winner that the Security RFP Report be deferred to March 30, 2005 Board meeting.

CARRIED

L05/11.2 Telephone Implementation Status Update

Library staff were acknowledged for their support in the success of Telephone Implementation.

It was MOVED by Mr. Griffith and seconded by Ms. MacDonald that Library staff be recognized for their support of the Telephone Implementation and that a congratulatory letter be sent from the Chair of the Board.

CARRIED

L05/11.4 Recognition of Elsie Perrin Williams in the Central Library

It was MOVED by Councillor Winninger and seconded by Mr. Kerhoulas that the report on Recognition of Elsie Perrin Williams in the Central Library be received.

CARRIED

L05/11.5 Donor Wall of Distinction

_____ It was suggested that contact be made with the Estate or survivors of those individuals whose names are identified.

_____ It was MOVED by Ms. Thorpe and seconded by Councillor Winninger that the names identified in the recognition levels on the Donor Wall of Distinction be approved.

CARRIED

L05/11.6 London Public Library Report on Services

_____ It was MOVED by Mr. Kerhoulas and seconded by Mr. Griffith that the London Public Library Report on Services be received.

CARRIED

L05/11.7 London Public Library's 110th Anniversary Committee

_____ It was MOVED by Councillor Winninger and seconded by Ms. Coderre that the report on London Public Library's 110th Anniversary Committee be received.

CARRIED

L05/12 CONSENT ITEMS

It was MOVED by Mr. Griffith and seconded by Mr. Kerhoulas that the following consent item be received:

Report on the Super Conference, 2005, Ontario Library Association - Pat Coderre

It was MOVED by Mr. Kerhoulas and seconded by Mr. Schlemmer that the following consent item be received:

Letter from Joseph Hofer regarding Library Renovations, 2005. (January 31, 2005)

It was MOVED by Ms. Schlemmer and seconded by Mr. Kerhoulas that the following consent items be received:

Letter from Kevin Bain, City Clerk regarding Design Consultant Fees - East London Branch Library and Community Centre. (January 25, 2005)

Letter from Kevin Bain, City Clerk regarding the construction of two 4.5 square metre projecting wall signs at 251 Dundas Street. (January 25, 2005)

Letter from Kevin Bain, City Clerk regarding Library's 2004 budget surplus. (January 26, 2005)

Letter from Kevin Bain, City Clerk regarding the adjustment of the 2005 Operating Budget Appropriation. (January 26, 2005)

Letter from Kevin Bain, City Clerk regarding the 2005 Capital Works Budget. (January 26, 2005)

Letter from Kevin Bain, City Clerk regarding a London based community building initiative for Asian Tsunami Aid. (February 8, 2005)

CARRIED

It was MOVED by Mr. Kerhoulas and seconded by Mr. Griffith that the letter from Madeleine Meilleur, Minister of Culture regarding the Library Strategic Development Fund grant for \$26,400 be received.

CARRIED

L05/13 REPORT ON MATTERS FROM THE EXECUTIVE SESSION

_____ Councillor Tranquilli reported that progress was made on personnel and legal matters which will remain confidential.

_____ ON MOTION, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Chair

Secretary

