# REGINA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING May 28, 2019 Central Library Boardroom

Present:

S. Quinlan, Chair

B. March-Burwell, Vice Chair

Councillor S. Bryce (via telephone)

Mayor Michael Fougere

M. Gavigan

S. Grebinski

P. Lerat

C. Kobayashi

J. Oni

J. Barber, Secretary to the Board

Regrets: N/A

### **Also Present:**

T. Fraser

K. Saunderson

J. Niedermayer

## **MINUTES**

#### 1. Call to Order

The Chair, S. Quinlan, called the board meeting to order at 4:30 pm

# 2. Adoption of the Agenda

M. Gavigan moved to adopt the meeting agenda. CARRIED.

#### 3. Conflict of Interests

No conflict of interests were declared.

# 4. Approval of Previous Minutes

C. Kobayashi moved to approve the previous minutes of March 26, 2019. CARRIED.

# 5. Manager Presentation

Branch Manager, Anthony Woodward, addressed the Board with a brief presentation about four RPL 'neighbourhood' branches: Glen Elm, Connaught, Prince of Wales, and Regent Place.

# Discussion:

 In response to a question about resources, RPL offers reading materials in several different languages. Branch staff are keenly aware of the changing needs of their respective communities, and it not always possible to locate materials in some languages.

- EYE (early year education) scores continue to be low for pre-school children, and RPL is aware of the positive impact its literacy programs have on the community. Resources are updated and programming issues are addressed as needed.
- The *Cops and Readers* program is having a positive impact on the respective neighbourhood communities.
- The Provincial Library & Literacy Office provides some resources for customers of all ages who speak a language that is different from English.

### 6. Information Items

- Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce Annual Conference on May 8-9, 2019
  Report by M. Gavigan
  - M. Gavigan attended a few sessions offered at the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce's (SCC) Annual Conference on May 8-9, 2019. The sessions were interesting and informative. There may be opportunities for RPL to work with both the SCC and the Regina Chamber of Commerce (RCC) on a variety of events.
  - It was agreed that the Board should become more involved in events held with both the SCC and RCC.
  - Group or individual memberships for the Board with SCC and RCC will be explored.
- b) Canadian Urban Libraries Council Updates
  - 1. GLAM Sector Value Study

The Ottawa Declaration Working Group (led by Library & Archives Canada) has recently launched the Study on the Value by the Canadian Galleries, Libraries, Archives and Museums (GLAM) conducted by Oxford Economics. Oxford Economics has already surveyed the Canadian population and has asked respondents to consider the importance of the contribution to Canadian society of GLAM on a number of social objectives. Results of the survey should be available to the Board this Fall.

# 2. eBook Pricing Campaign

RPL has been participating in the eBook Pricing Campaign through social media, as appropriate, and a new phase of the campaign is just beginning. Key messages about the campaign.

# 3. 8Rs Study Redux

The aim of the 8Rs Redux study is to build upon the original 8Rs research conducted by generating longitudinal data. The research will enable a comparative analysis of changes over time and contribute to the evidence-building process through replication. Much has happened in the past 15 years that has had a significant impact on library human resources in CULC/CBUC organizations. The study includes surveys of CULC/CBUC libraries and of library staff and is being conducted by two

academic librarians at the University of Alberta. To view past reports, see <a href="http://www.ls.ualberta.ca/8rs/reports.html">http://www.ls.ualberta.ca/8rs/reports.html</a>.

#### 4. One eRead Canada

CULC/CBUC has created an opportunity for all public libraries to participate in a Canada-wide digital reading program. The program is similar to a "one book, one province" program, on a national scale and in digital format. It will run for four weeks, from June 3 to June 30. The hope is that this will be the inaugural launch of an ongoing program. The selection for our inaugural program is a Saskatchewan title – *Glass Beads* by Dawn Dumont and published by Thistledown Press.

#### b. Referred Communications

All responses to correspondence received by the Board have been completed.

### c. Action Item Updates

The Board reviewed the list of updated action items.

# d. Chair's Report

The Board reviewed the Chair's Report.

#### 7. Discussion and Decision Items

#### a. Board Committees

# (i) Governance Committee

Submissions and Delegations Policy Review – Committee Chair, C. Kobayashi, thanked everyone for their feedback, much of which has been integrated into the revised policy, and moved to approve the updated Submissions and Delegations Policy, as presented. CARRIED.

Policy Review Update - Library Administration prepared a list of policies and will prepare a schedule for policy review.

### b. Financial Statements to April 30, 2019

B. March-Burwell moved to approve the April 30, 2019 financial statements, as presented. CARRIED.

#### 8. Calendar of Events

The Board reviewed the list of events.

9. In Camera Session
The Board moved into the In-Camera session of the Board meeting, and members of the public left the Boardroom.
Mayor Fougere left the meeting.
With the In-Camera portion of the meeting adjourned, the Board moved back to regular session.
10. Adjournment
B. March-Burwell moved to adjourn the regular Board meeting. CARRIED.
Approved:

Board Chair

Secretary to the Board