

**REGINA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
January 19, 2015**

**MINUTES**

**PRESENT:**

Darryl Lucke, Board Chair  
Elmer Brenner  
Councillor Sharron Bryce  
Cindy Kobayashi  
Barbara March-Burwell  
Sean Quinlan  
Jerven Weekes

**Also in attendance:**

Jeff Barber  
Trent Fraser  
Joan Niedermayer

**REGRETS:**

Michael Fougere  
Renu Kapoor

**1. Call to Order:**

The Annual General Meeting of the Regina Public Library Board was called to order by Darryl Lucke at 4:32 p.m.

**2. Adoption of Agenda:**

Sharron Bryce moved to adopt the agenda. CARRIED.

**3. Conflict of Interests Declaration:**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

**4. 2014 Year in Review:**

Board Chair, Darryl Lucke, spoke of 2014 as being a terrific year for the Library, with many successes, both large and small, including the following:

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Central Library**

Work continued on assessing the Central Library building. The Board contracted the services of DIALOG, a Vancouver-based consulting firm, to gather public opinions and ideas about the Central Library. From the thousands of conversations, surveys, and

emails we received, it was clear that the people of Regina love their library. The Board expects to receive DIALOG'S final report in March of 2015.

### **North Central Shared Facility**

Work continued on the development of the North Central Shared Facility. By the end of 2014, the project had been drawn up, and had gone to tender. The facility is expected to be ready for occupancy in 2017.

### **Physical Space Updates**

RPL introduced new interior design and shelving systems at Glen Elm Branch and repaved the parking lot at the Sherwood Village Branch. The Dunlop Art Gallery Resource Centre was refreshed. The Film Theatre moved into the digital age with the showing of our first films on the newly installed Digital Cinema Projection System, and theatre lighting was installed along the film theatre stage. Both Film Theatre projects were supported by a Heritage Canada grant. Central Children's was updated with fresh paint, signage and shelving, and a reconfiguration of the space. RPL has renewed its lease at the Southland Mall for the George Bothwell Branch.

### **Digital Technology**

RPL introduced Hoopla in Fall of 2014, a service similar to Netflix, except Hoopla is free for library card holders. Patrons can access television shows, movies, and books, and it has proven to be very popular. RPL also purchased a number of best-selling e-books for its 3M Cloud collection, which increased usage by 35 per cent from Fall of 2013. RPL currently has 127 computer work stations in its branches, and in 2014, the public accessed them for 137,000 hours (or nearly 16 years' worth of surfing).

### **Makerspace**

A Makerspace Conference was held at the end of 2014. Makerspace is a workspace where people create, experiment, and discover through collaboration with others. RPL's conference featured LegoWorks, knitting and spinning, 3D printers and much more.

### **Dunlop Art Gallery**

The Dunlop Art Gallery (DAG) welcomed over 34,000 people in 2014, with approximately half visiting the Central Library, and half visiting the Sherwood Village gallery. At Central, the DAG introduced a small, outside artist studio called *Art Shack*, which was used for art camps and residencies, and community engagement activities. Dr. Roberta McKay and one of our new board members, Mr. Elmer Brenner, donated the Garry Thurber sculpture, *The Hiding*, to the RPL. The piece is currently on display at Regent Place Branch.

### **Programming**

RPL offered over 6,000 programs to 127,000 people in 2014. The *Mainly Mother Goose* (MMG) program continues to be very popular. MMG sets in motion a lifelong love of learning, reading and library use in young children, and in 2014 RPL offered the program in our branches, as well as at five community locations. Through the *TD Summer Reading Program*, over 4,000 kids were inspired to read, which involved approximately 47,000 hours of reading. The Literacy unit continued to help new families to learn English. Currently RPL has 291 language kits that families can use to learn English together, and thousands of books, magazines and online resources available in languages other than English. A second literacy café was set up at the Glen Elm Branch,

### **Patron Self-Sufficiency**

RPL is gradually transitioning its systems so that our patrons can be more self-sufficient, and in 2014 it introduced self-check machines at Central Library and Central Children's. The self-check machines help ensure patron privacy and minimize line ups. RPL now has self-check machines in most of its branches, and by the end of 2014, almost half of all checkouts were made on these machines.

### **Continued Service to the Public**

RPL welcomed over 1.4 million visits to our branches last year. Over 2 million books, DVDs, CDs and e-resources were borrowed in 2014. In response to growing demand for access, RPL increased its hours of service and was open to the public for over 25,000 hours.

## **5. Decision Items:**

### **5(a) Election of Officers:**

D. Lucke presided over the election of officers to the RPL Board and invited a motion to adopt the slate, as presented. Jerven Weekes moved to adopt the slate, as presented. A question was raised about the position of Treasurer. The Chair noted that discussion on officers and committees will take place later in the Spring. CARRIED.

5(a)(i) Nominations were requested for the office of Chair. Sharron Bryce nominated Darryl Lucke, who accepted the nomination. There were no further nominations. Darryl Lucke was acclaimed to the position of Chair of the Regina Public Library Board.

5(a)(ii) Nominations were requested for the office of Deputy Chair. Jerven Weekes nominated Sean Quinlan, who declined the nomination. Cindy Kobayashi nominated Renu Kapoor, who was not present, but had

indicated to the Secretary prior to the meeting that, if nominated, she would accept the nomination. There were no further nominations. Renu Kapoor was acclaimed to the position of Deputy Chair of the Regina Public Library Board.

5(a)(iii) Nominations were requested for the election of a member of the Board to represent the Library with the Saskatchewan Library Trustees' Association (SLTA). Sharron Bryce nominated Darryl Lucke. There were no further nominations. Darryl Lucke was acclaimed as the RPL's Board representative to the SLTA.

5(b) 2015 Meeting Schedule

Sharron Bryce moved to adopt the 2015 Meeting Schedule, as presented. CARRIED.

5(c) Rules of Order



Sharron Bryce requested a summary sheet of the Sturgis Rules of Order be provided to the new Board members. J. Barber agreed to send this information to the new members.

Darryl Lucke moved that the Board continue following *The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure*, 4<sup>th</sup> ed. (formerly *The Sturgis Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure*). CARRIED.

6. Adjournment

Sharron Bryce moved to adjourn the 2015 Annual General Meeting. CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes:

	
_____ Board Chair	_____ Secretary