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Darryl Lucke
Chair, Regina Public Library Board
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Dear Mr. Lucke,

The Friends of the Regina Public Library (FRPL) would like to discuss the points noted below at the Regina Public Library (RPL) Board meeting at 4:30 PM on Monday June 20, 2016.

First, we have questions about Connaught Branch. During the Cathedral Village Arts Festival there were some events at Connaught Branch. Some people who use mobility aids have said that they were disappointed in not being able to attend these events. Are there any plans to make the building wheelchair accessible? We were also wondering what the plans are for general maintenance of the building.

Patrons asked us to express appreciation for the equipment at Central Library that reads print material out loud for people with vision difficulties.

Some patrons have said they would like it if the library rented out E-readers, so they could read E-books.

At the Film Theatre the special series on various topics have been a success and enjoyed by many. On the other hand, film-goers are disappointed about the cancellation of the Sunday evening double bill. Also, the original library film schedule, on two pages, back to back, was expanded into a magazine format, with good film review sections that people enjoy. However, patrons weren't happy with the film calendar layout in the first

revision. It has since been revised again to some patrons' satisfaction, but others still find it difficult to follow. Would there be some way to get some patron input into improving the Film Theatre's event guide and recommendations concerning film scheduling and notices of cancellation of scheduled movies?

Could you provide an update on the progress on reviewing the RPL's Strategic Plan and the Service Plan? We would also like to know if there are any new developments concerning the upgrade of Central Library. And with all the construction now occurring, we were wondering what the anticipated opening date for the new Albert Library will be and what the plans are for the old library building.

We understand the value and time commitment for the work that the Board is doing on its governance and planning processes. The new method of making presentations at the Board meetings and the more open attitude and open discussion at the Board meetings is also greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

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