## **Winnipeg Public Library Board Meeting**

Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. MS Teams Meeting

#### **Minutes**

	Present Regret Absent				Present Regret Absent		
Jaideep Johar		$\boxtimes$		Trevor Surgenor	$\boxtimes$		
Stephen Kennedy	$\boxtimes$			Karon Chester	$\boxtimes$		
Dean Scaletta	$\boxtimes$			Kristen Hardy	$\boxtimes$		
Diane Papst	$\boxtimes$			Linda English (Chair)	$\boxtimes$		
Kim Coss	$\boxtimes$			Lisa Laker	$\boxtimes$		
Karin Borland	$\boxtimes$			Melak Yossief	$\boxtimes$		
Councillor Duncan	$\boxtimes$			Nunziata Masi	$\boxtimes$		
Councillor Wyatt		$\boxtimes$		Waraidzo Chiyoka	$\boxtimes$		

Guests: Cindy Elliott, Ryan Cormack, David Chadwick

## 1. Call to order, welcome, housekeeping

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

# 2. Acknowledgment of Indigenous Territory and Homeland – Linda English

Winnipeg is located on Treaty One Territory, the home and traditional lands of the Anishinaabe (Ojibwe), Ininew (Cree), and Dakota peoples, and in the National Homeland of the Red River Métis. Our drinking water comes from Shoal Lake 40 First Nation, in Treaty Three Territory.

## 3. Approval of agenda – Linda English

See Appendix B for motion

## **4. Approval of previous meeting minutes** – *Linda English*

See Appendix B for motion

### 5. Manager's Report – Karin Borland

See Appendix A for report

Discussion – West Kildonan Library

- Stakeholder sessions were informative and was positive to interact with library staff and community members
- Parking is a reoccurring discussion item as some people find it in adequate but could also not know that the adjacent rink allows library customers to use parking lot
- Discussed different ways to consider the utilization of library services as there is another branch in proximity and there is hoped to keep both locations
- Discussed that proximity means different to various people (i.e., distances are different when customers walk, drive, or take public transportation.

## 6. Acting Chair's Report - Linda English

ltem	Description	Action	
Censorship Challenges Update	<ul> <li>Special Executive Committee meeting has been called for September 19</li> <li>Purpose is to learn about Manitoba Library Association and the Director of South Central Regional Library</li> <li>All Library Board and LAC members will be invited</li> </ul>		
Recruitment Update and Promotion	<ul> <li>Assistant will be contacting Board and LAC members whose term expires on December 31, 2023</li> <li>Library Board's Nomination Committee will be shortlisting applications and forward to Executive Committee for approval</li> <li>Assistant will be sending information to forward to networks to promote people applying to fill 2024 vacancies</li> </ul>		

# 7. Treasurer's Report – Stephen Kennedy

No report

# 8. Administrative Updates

See appendix C for report

# **9. Millennium Library Community Working Group Update –** Linda English and Nunziata Masi

No report

## 10. LAC Updates

<b>Assiniboia</b> Kristen Hardy	No report				
City Centre David Chadwick	No report				
East Kildonan- Transcona Cindy Elliott	<ul> <li>Members have been attending outreach events and have reported to have engaged with customers</li> <li>Will be sending a thank you card to Councillor Browaty for their donation</li> <li>Summer quiz closed on September 1 and will be selecting winners; found challenges in promoting</li> <li>Will be scheduling another meeting in future</li> </ul>				
Lord Selkirk – West Kildonan Ryan Cormack	No report				
Riel Dean Scaletta	<ul> <li>Met on August 3</li> <li>Received basic orientation and updates</li> <li>Michelle Albrecht, Branch Head Librarian from St. Vital Library has been appointed as new Laision</li> <li>Discussed possible project activities</li> </ul>				

#### **11. Millennium Library Update** – Karin Borland

- Work continues to address action items from the July 13 safety report
  - Meeting with Persons Community Solutions and Fearless R2W to increase number of Community Safety Hosts (CSH)
  - 2 Winnipeg Police Officers will remain at Millennium Library until the CSH can start
  - o Recruitment continues for Community Connection Space positions
  - o Staff training planning will resume in October
  - o 10 security guards are Millennium Library
- Bids for RFP Millennium Library lobby redesign are being evaluated

#### 12. Other Business

None

#### 13. New Business

None

#### 14. Date and Location of Next meeting

Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. MS Teams Meeting

## 15. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:56 pm

1<sup>st</sup> Linda English

2<sup>nd</sup> Dean Scaletta

#### **Appendix A**

## Manager's Report September 5, 2023

#### 1. Facilities Update

## a) West Kildonan Library

- Stakeholder meetings were held on August 8 and 9 at the library branch and a remote option was provided
- Consultant will be using feedback to write the final report and prepare for public engagement that is planned for the fall 2023
- Thanks to the library staff, Library Board and LAC members, and community organizations who participated

#### 2. Recruitment Update

Winnipeg Public Library continues to fill vacancies. Current opportunities can be found on the city of Winnipeg's website <a href="https://legacy.winnipeg.ca/hr/default.stm">https://legacy.winnipeg.ca/hr/default.stm</a>

#### Current and upcoming bulletins

- Librarian 1 Information Services for Community Connections: reposted (term position)
- Librarian 1 Branch Head Librarian for Osborne Library: reposted (term position)
- Librarian 1 Youth Services Librarian: reposted (part-time)
- Librarian 2 Branch Head Librarian for Henderson Library: posted (term position)
- Librarian 2 Branch Head Librarian for St. Boniface Library: upcoming (term position)
- Administrative Coordinator of Central Library Services: upcoming (permanent position)

## 3. Adult Programming

 We are excited about the return of a popular program: eMedia HELP One-on-One Appointments. Book a 45-minute one-on-one appointment with a Librarian to get help with using digital library services. Appointments are available at Westwood Library on Thursday, September 14, and St. Vital Library on Wednesday, September 27.

- In partnership with the Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba, St. John's Library will host Contemporary Issues Surrounding Treaties, on Monday, September 25. Registrants will join in a discussion with Allen Sutherland on contemporary issues surrounding treaties.
- Learn about postpartum adjustments and gain new skills to support your confidence in parenting at Self-Care for New Mothers, Tuesday, September 26, at Charleswood Library. Presented in partnership with Women's Health Clinic.
- Currently on exhibit at Millennium Library is Moneca Sinclaire's Recycled Art, which highlights colourful and creative uses for discarded materials.
  - Tying into this exhibit is the Recycled Art Workshop at Millennium Library's ideaMILL on Saturday, September 16. Registrants will join with the artist to create their own art with recycled materials.

#### 4. Outreach Services programming highlights

- September is back-to-school time. Outreach staff will be at multiple MITT (Manitoba Institute of Trades and Technology) and RRC PolyTech newcomer student events through the month to provide information on WPL resources and create provide library memberships on-the-spot.
- Marlene Street Resource Centre is the location for our new, 3rd Mobile Library stop. The resource centre is located at the Marlene Street family public housing development in St. Vital and provides support and services to the development's residents as well as individuals in the surrounding area, including adult and youth programming. Look for the library van every other Thursday, from 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm starting September.

## 5. Youth Services Update

• As part of TD Summer Reading Club, the library offered the World Storytelling program and the World Language Story Time programs, including Punjabi/English Story Time, Ukrainian/English Story Time, Tagalog/English Story Time, and Mandarin/English Story Time at Cornish, Transcona, and Fort Garry library branches. Over the summer 83 children and their families attended the World Storytelling program, experiencing stories from cultures around the world. The program received positive feedback, especially about the storytellers' abilities to connect with the audience and get them involved in the stories. 142 children and their families attended World Language Story Time programs, and feedback on the programs was very positive with many requests for additional World Language Story Times. Thank you to the Winnipeg Public Library Board for their support of these programs.

- Registration for the Fall Early Literacy Session opened on August 21. The Fall
  Early Literacy Session will run September 18 November 10 and includes 70
  early literacy sessions each week (Baby Rhyme Time, Toddler Time, and Family
  Story Time), including 13 Family Story Times taking place on Saturdays,
  increasing from 6 Saturday programs offered during the Spring Early Literacy
  Session.
- 20 science-based programs for school age children will be offered as part of Science Literacy Week (September 18 - 24), including a newly developed staffled program for children ages 6-12 with a caregiver. A new booklist has been created and will accompany science-themed book displays for children and their families in branches. Thanks to the Friends of the Winnipeg Public Library for their support of teen Science Literacy Week programming.

Please check the <u>online Programs & Events calendar</u> for schedule details. Feel free to share <u>Programs & Events Posters</u> with your contacts.

#### **Appendix B**

### September 5, 2023 Motions

MOTION	1 <sup>ST</sup>	2 <sup>ND</sup>	DISPOSITION
That the agenda be approved as distributed	Linda English	Diane Papst	Carried
That the August 1, 2023 minutes be approved as distributed	Linda English	Dean Scaletta	Carried

## **Appendix C**

## September 5, 2023 Administrative Updates

## 1. Acknowledgements

None

#### 2. Communications & Announcements

Upcoming

- Term expirations
- Post recruitment
- Save the date September 19 meeting 6-7:30 pm

#### 3. Website

As per last meeting – website updates are on hold until can schedule time with WPL Marketing

## **4. Library Advisory Committees**

East Kildonan-Transcona

• \$100 received from Councillor Browaty's office

## 5. Projects

On hold