

# Winnipeg Public Library Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Millennium Library (Buchwald Room)

2<sup>nd</sup> floor – 251 Donald Street

## Minutes

	<u>Present</u> <u>Regret</u> <u>Absent</u>				<u>Present</u> <u>Regret</u> <u>Absent</u>		
Monique Ireland (Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Trevor Surgenor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Wenezs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Carla Epp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gordon Crook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dean Scaletta	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
David Robinson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Laila Yesmin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jaideep Johar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mario Lebar	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ed Cuddy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Morley Walker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Santos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	P. Colleen Suche	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Schreyer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vacant			

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**Guests:** Carol Marshall, Executive Director of the Winnipeg Library Foundation  
Lucille Eustache, Chair of the East Kildonan-Transcona Library Advisory Committee

### 1. Call to order, welcome, housekeeping

The meeting was called to order at 5:12 p.m.

### 2. Acknowledgment of Indigenous Territory and Homeland – *Monique Ireland*

I would like to acknowledge that we are in Treaty #1 Territory, the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, Dene Peoples and the homeland of the Métis Nation.

### 3. Guest

*See Appendix A for Guest Highlights*

### 4. Approval of agenda and of the previous meeting minutes

*See Appendix C for motions*

Item	Description	Action
<b>Millennium for All Board Response</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Document circulated prior to meeting</li> <li>• The Board has decided to collaboratively change the wording of the original letter</li> </ul>	

## 5. Manager's Report – Ed Cuddy

*See Appendix B for report*

## 6. Chair's Report – Monique Ireland

Item	Description	Action
<b>Executive Committee Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The executive has a new member at large, Jaideep Johar, welcome Jaideep!</li> </ul>	
<b>LAC and Board Postings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A reminder to all LAC and Board members to renew postings that may be coming up</li> </ul>	
<b>Assistant Position</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annabel has been asked to step in temporarily until such time that a suitable candidate is found; awaiting confirmation from Annabel</li> </ul>	

## 7. Treasurer's Report

- Last statement indicated balance of \$87,130.52
- Part of this is dedicated to the Multi-Lingual study (3rd payment)
- Currently working with the accountant on Q3 reports

## 8. Multilingual Study Update

- The consultant was in town and did visits to branches with larger Multi-lingual collections
- The consultant will be looking at usage/demographics/etc to determine synergies and future direction

## 9. Strat Plan Update

- Jaideep advises that thus far only one consultant has responded; the one that did respond does have a library background
- Gordon suggests her background and credentials would make her a good fit
- Within the discussion over the Strat plan Colleen suggests that the level of advocacy that the board has needs to be addressed; with recent events (Security measures) it seems that the voice of the board is not adequate, and is a critical part of what the board should be.
- Councilor Schreyer offers his agreement and support; Colleen suggests that future board members need to be aware that advocacy is within the scope of the Board's responsibility
- Dean suggests an "Advocacy Sub-committee" to help determine what things, as a Board, we want to advocate for. Gordon suggests this should be done within the terms of reference. A definition of what we are permitted to do is advisable.
- Monique advises that the timeline are tight as there is a deadline of December 31, 2019.
- Colleen asks for clarification of the role of the councillor on the Board in order to help determine exactly what the Board can ask of them
- Councillor Schreyer reminds of moving motion at a council meeting to remove children's late fees as an example of the kinds of things his role could do
- Ed reminds the board that this motion was not passed)

## 10. LAC Reports

### **EK-Transcona LAC**

*Lucille Eustache - LAC Chair*

- EK Transcona LAC has 6 citizen representatives, all but 2 are new LAC members; Gordon and Michael are their Board reps
- They've had 3 meetings thus far in 2019 and discussed events to participate in; the LAC decided on Archimbault Park Family Fun Day in August; this was a successful event. The LAC got great use out of the LAC Kit and used their budget to fund 12 prizes (8 Children's prizes and 4 adult)
- Remaining funds to be used for a pending open house event at the Henderson Library

- Councilor Schreyer asks (and will find out) if money that he received for the Archimbault event could have been funneled through the LAC (so the LAC wouldn't have to use their budget for an event already receiving City funding)

### **St. James Assiniboia LAC**

- No meeting currently scheduled

### **City Center**

- No one here to provide updates

### **Louis Riel**

- No update

### **Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan**

- Meeting set for October 24<sup>th</sup>

## **11. Other Business**

- Breakfast with Bookmates – motion to get 3 tickets to this event
- Morley and Dean will attend
- Any others interested please submit name to Monique; tickets will be on hold at the door

## **12. New Business**

**None**

## **13. Date and Location of Next meeting**

Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.  
Charleswood Library  
6-4910 Roblin Boulevard

## **14. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned 6:33 p.m.

**1<sup>st</sup>** Carla Epp

**2<sup>nd</sup>** Dean Scaletta

## Appendix A

### Guest Speaker Highlights

- The Winnipeg Public Library Board welcomes Carole Marshall, Executive Director of the Winnipeg Library Foundation
- The Foundation was created by the WPL Board for community awareness and fundraising
- Their first initiative was to upgrade the Centennial Library to the Millennium Library in 2005 (they raised \$5million for this initiative)
- They were instrumental in coordinating the St John's library accessibility upgrades
- At the end of 2019 the Foundation will be ceasing operations; the WPL is taking on many of the tasks that the Foundation used to spearhead, and there are ongoing challenges in acquiring volunteers
- Not a significant number of assets to be turned in but any that exist will be turned in to the city at the end of 2019
- Gordon suggests a motion to thank the Winnipeg Library Foundation
- Carole also wanted to acknowledge her co-chair for her valued assistance.

## Appendix B

### *Manager's Report October 1, 2019*

#### 1. Facilities Update

- a) Cornish Library
  - Work continues – no specific update
  
- b) Bill & Helen Norrie Library
  - Award of construction contract endorsed by Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development on September 30. A sod-turning event and start of construction will be scheduled soon

#### Project info pages on WPL website

Facility Redevelopment Projects:

<http://wpl.winnipeg.ca/library/whats happening/renorenewal/sectionmap.asp>

Photos:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/winnipegpubliclibrary/collections/>

#### 2. Annual Report 2018

Winnipeg Public Library's 2019 annual report is now available at the branches and online. An accessible Word version is also made available

<https://wpl.winnipeg.ca/library/ourlibrary/annualreports.asp>

#### 3. Sun Life Musical Instrument Lending Program

Sun Life Musical has sponsored 150 instruments, cases and accessories to the Winnipeg Public Library. This innovated free lending program is available to anyone who has a valid Winnipeg Public Library card. Instruments include guitars, mandolins, violins, portable keyboards, and various drums. There are 10 other libraries within Canada that also have this program. In addition, there will be a musical instrument donation drive. Acceptable instruments can be dropped off at Millennium Library or at Long & McQuade at 1845 Pembina Highway. More information will be provided on October 4, 2019. The launch of this program will be on Friday, October 4, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. at the Millennium Library. The library will open at 9:00 a.m.

#### **4. TD Summer Reading Club Update**

TD Summer Reading Club participation was up 26% from last year with a 2019 registration of 12,652. Part of the increase is due to having only one branch closed this summer compared to three branch closures in 2018.

Young readers earned a prize entry ballot for every five days they spent time reading or being read to. This summer 13,735 ballots were submitted which represents 68,675 days with time spent reading. Almost 6,000 children, teens and family members attended 195 programs during July and August.

#### **5. Millennium Screening Update**

A written report prepared by the Winnipeg Public Service was presented at the September 9, 2019 Standing Policy Committee on Protection, Community Services and Parks (SPC-PCSP). A number of delegations also were in attendance to speak on the issue. The SPC-PCSP Councillors approved 6/7 recommendations.

To view videos and/or report please visit the City Clerk's Decision Making Information System:

<http://clkapps.winnipeg.ca/dmis/ViewDoc.asp?DocId=18206&SectionId=&InitUrl=>

#### **6. Provincial Funding Grant Update**

As of a result of discussions at the September 9, 2019 SPC-PCSP, the committee recommended the following to the Executive Policy Committee to consider at their September 17, 2019

1. The Province of Manitoba be requested to lift the cap on funding provided through the Public Libraries Act to the City of Winnipeg, retroactively to 1993.
2. The Province of Manitoba be requested to provide additional library funding in the amount of \$1.5 Million in 2019 and in future years, and that future years' funding be adjusted for inflation.
3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to fulfill the intent of the foregoing.

The Winnipeg Public Service has been directed to report back to EPC on this issue in 60 days.

## Appendix C

### October 1, 2019 Motions

<b>MOTION</b>	<b>1<sup>ST</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>ND</sup></b>	<b>DISPOSITION</b>
That the agenda be approved as distributed	Dean Scaletta	David Robinson	<b>Carried</b>
That the minutes of September 3, 2019 be approved as distributed	Dean Scaletta	P. Colleen Suche	<b>Carried</b>
That the Winnipeg Public Library Board thank Carole Marshall, Sandy Hyman and all current/past members of the Winnipeg Library Foundation for all their work and contributions over the years	Gordon Crook	Dean Scaletta	<b>Carried</b>
That the Winnipeg Public Library Board accept and hire Betty Braaksma as the strat plan consultant	Gordon Crook	Jaideep Johar	<b>Carried</b>