

Winnipeg Public Library Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

MS Teams Meeting

Minutes

	<u>Present</u> <u>Regret</u> <u>Absent</u>				<u>Present</u> <u>Regret</u> <u>Absent</u>		
Jaideep Johar (Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Trevor Surgenor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen Kennedy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Diane Papst	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dean Scaletta	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Emmanuel Oluwadare	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Judith Littleford	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ian Keenan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nikica Subek Simon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Karon Chester	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Karin Borland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kim Coss	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Rollins	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kristen Hardy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Schreyer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Laila Yesmin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Guests: Donna Kormilo, Ryan Cormack

1. Call to order, welcome, housekeeping

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Acknowledgment of Indigenous Territory and Homeland – Diane Papst

We acknowledge that we are in 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

See Appendix B for motions

4. Approval of previous meeting minutes

See Appendix B for motions

5. Manager's Report – Karin Borland

See Appendix A for report

6. Chair's Report – Jaideep Johar

Item	Description	Action
Reminders and House Keeping	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reminder to submit food receipts to Assistant by the end of the week• Receipts must be dated the date of the meeting and you must have attended the meeting• Receipts require to show cost breakdown	
Prison Book Sale	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Manitoba Library Association's Prison Library Committee and Bar None Winnipeg's Prison Visiting Rideshare will be holding a book and bake sale on Saturday, June 11 from noon to 4:30 p.m. outdoors at the Cindy Klassen Rec Complex at 999 Sargent Avenue• All books are pay as you want• For further details, refer to the e-mail dated June 5• Please share information with networks• Thank you to Ian Keenan for providing the information to share	

Item	Description	Action
August Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On an annual basis the Library Board is required to apply for their operating grant and approve their next year's budget • The August meeting must have quorum that day because submission is due on September 2 to the City Clerk's Department, which is before the September meeting • The assistant will send out an RSVP e-mail early 	
Assistant LOA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General LOA June 20 – July 3; July 17-23 	
Summer Prorogue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no Executive Committee in June and no Library Board meeting in July 	
In-Person Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assistant will send a reminder to Board members who have not responded • The Executive Committee will review responses in the fall • Until further notice, meetings will be held online via MS Teams 	
Conference and Training Opportunities Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference and training opportunities list was provided • Names can be submitted anytime to the Assistant 	

Item	Description	Action
Response to the Friends of the West Kildonan Library Coalition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A request from the Friends of the West Kildonan Library Coalition and Garden City’s Residents Association for comment regarding the West Kildonan Library as received and forwarded to the Executive Committee 	

Thanks and Acknowledgments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thanks given to Jaideep and Kim for attending Pride Parade event with Winnipeg Public Library (WPL) Thanks given to Jane Romaniak from the Assiniboia LAC for volunteering to help WPL staff at the July 24 Kids Fringe 	
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7. Vice-Chair’s Report – Nikica Subek Simon

Item	Description	Action
Strat Plan Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting has been called for June 9 Q2 report will be provided in August 	

8. Treasurer’s Report – Stephen Kennedy

No report

9. LAC Updates

LAC**UPDATE**

*Assiniboia
(Cristiana, Kim
Kristen)*

- Congratulations to Cristiana Gheorghe for being re-elected as Chair and Kristen Hardy for being newly elected Secretary-Treasurer
- Meeting held on May 17
- Meeting focused on meeting members and trying to figure out what to do with funding

*City Centre
(David, Judy,
Laila)*

- Congratulations to new elected David Chadwick as Chair and Virinder Gill as Secretary-Treasurer
- Meeting held on May 30
- Meeting focused on meeting members, elections, past projects/activities, and possibly future activities

*East Kildonan-
Transcona
(Jonathan, Karon,
Nikica)*

- *Elections pending*
- Trying to schedule a meeting but having challenges

*Lord-Selkirk
West Kildonan
(Ryan, Jaideep,
Diana)*

- Congratulations to new elected Ryan Cormack as Chair
- Due to vacancies, Secretary-Treasurer position is vacant, but Assistant will fill in role until further notice
- Meeting held on May 26
- Meeting focused on meeting members, past projects/activities
- 2 of the members are also on one of the City's Museum Boards and will connect with the LAC Liaison on possible program ideas that may work between museums and WPL

*Riel
(Donna, Dean,
Emmanuel)*

- Congratulations to Donna Kormilo for being re-elected as Chair and Karen Bock for being newly elected Secretary-Treasurer
- Meetings held on May 12 and scheduled next meeting to June 16
- First meeting focused on meeting members and talking about past work/discussions
- For next meeting will try to hold in-person and discuss possible activities for this year

10. Other Business

- *Ian Keenan provided verbal and written report on attending the Ontario Library Association (OLA)*
- *Proposal received for the Library Board to consider sponsoring a presentation at the next OLA conference in 2023 to provide an update on the Millennium Library Screening and the work that has been going on to not go back to that process*

11. New Business

None

12. Date and Location of Next meeting

Tuesday, August 2, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.
MS Teams Meeting

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned 6:05 p.m.

1st Jaideep Johar

2nd Ian Keenan

Appendix A
Manager's Report June 7, 2022

1. Facilities Update

a) Millennium Library Carpeting and Lighting Upgrade

- Pre-construction meeting was held on June 6, 2022 for carpet replacement
- Library expected to remain open to the public
- Some sections may be unavailable to the public during this time

b) Refurbishment of Children's Area at Millennium

- Construction phase completed
- Furniture is expected to arrive end of June
- Space is currently open to the public

c) Cornish Library

- Re-opened on Tuesday, May 24, 2022

d) West Kildonan Library

- On May 26, 2022 City Council voted to receive the [Expression of Interest No. 422 – 2021 and Associated Lease for a Relocated West Kildonan Library \(Old Kildonan Ward\)](#) report as information

e) Community Connections Update

- Community Connections continues to serve people with a wide range of needs and as of May 16, visiting agencies have begun to be featured daily.
- Some agencies are on site weekly such as CFCS which offers tax filing and benefits information.
- Others are booking in monthly – visit the space's webpage for [current schedule](#). The space is averaging over 300 people a week; use of a phone, help with housing and income supports, completing forms, and mental health needs are some of the common needs.
- The WPLB funds have been put to good use with coffee and snack supplies – these have been invaluable.

2. Staffing Update

Verbal report received

3. Winnipeg Free Press Articles **may require an account**

[Library service hampered by staff vacancies - Winnipeg Free Press](#)

[Artist gives new life to old books - Winnipeg Free Press](#)

4. Collections Update

Winnipeg Public Library's Support Services and Indigenous Services Working group are currently analyzing and changing Indigenous subject headings in the catalogue. Some of the current subject headings are outdated and can be considered offensive. They are currently using listings from Library and Archives; and other jurisdictions. Staff are also creating a Manitoba specific listing of appropriate subject headings. American subject headings are challenging because the Library of Congress has not updated their list. French subject headings will also be changed but waiting for listings from the Library and Archives and the Université Laval to provide guidance.

Staff are working on project milestone dates and updates will be provided once they have been completed. It is anticipated general terms should be updated by end of 2023.

Staff have expressed that even though they reach their end goal and targets to update as much as of the catalogue as possible, they will continuously assess the Indigenous subject headings as we continue to learn and grow together.

5. Adult Programming and Outreach Update

Thank you to members of the Winnipeg Public Library Board and Library Advisory Committees who joined library staff walking in **Pride Parade** this year! This was the first year the parade was in-person in 3 years. The weather cooperated and the glammed-up library outreach van was a smash hit in its ginormous and stylish tiara.

The library **Book Bike** made its first appearance this year at Bike to Work Day at Bonnycastle Park Pit Stop, Monday, June 6. Passers-by signed up for library cards on-the-spot and borrowed from a selection of cycling books and popular fiction.

Adult Programming continues to increase **in-person** offerings with a suite of Computer Basics workshops: *Introduction to the Computer*, *Internet Basics* and *Email Basics*.

Perennially popular Gardening programs continue **online** (Container Gardening, Caring for Trees), joined by diverse topics such as All about Electric Vehicles, historical walking tours, and more.

Winnipeg Public Library will have a tent at the **Newcomer Welcome Fair and Multiculturalism Day Celebration** at Freight House Field on Sunday, June 26, from 1:00-5:00. Library staff will be distributing TD Summer Reading Club kits, signing people up for library memberships, and hosting a bookmaking craft station. Families can navigate a Story Walk (with assistance from library staff as needed) and challenge each other to one of our Big Games.

The **Adult Summer Reading Challenge** returns on Monday, June 13 and runs through to September 2. Choose from two Challenge Cards – one for exploring physical library resources, and one for the digital library. Customers can visit any branch to pick up an entry ticket for a prize draw.

Library staff are so excited to be meeting with customers face-to-face in their communities again!

6. Youth Services Update

TD Summer Reading Club and Teen Summer Reading starts on June 13 and runs until September 2. Some notable events:

- June 13 – registration for programs starts
- June 14 – National launch of TD Summer Reading Club (WPL is hosting, and an invitation will be sent out to Board and LAC members to attend)
- July 31 – Library Day at the Ballpark
- August 8 – Goldeyes Baseball Players Love to Read event. (Players will be reading at Bill and Helen Norrie, Charleswood, Pembina Trail, St. Vital, and Transcona library branches)

7. City of Winnipeg Anti-Racism Initiatives

Board and LAC members are encouraged to save the website and check regularly for updates.

<https://winnipeg.ca/Interhom/anti-racism/default.stm>

Appendix B

June 7, 2022 Motions

MOTION	1ST	2ND	DISPOSITION
That the agenda be approved as distributed	Jaideep Johar	Dean Scaletta	Carried
That the May 3, 2022 minutes be approved as distributed	Jaideep Johar	Stephen Kennedy	Carried