

# Winnipeg Public Library Board Meeting

Monday, October 3, 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Diane Papst	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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**Guests:** Cindy Elliott, David Chadwick, Erika Couto, Teresa Longobardi

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

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

### 2. Acknowledgment of Indigenous Territory and Homeland – Jaideep Johar

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
<b>Nominations Committee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thanks giving to Karon and Kim for agreeing to join Nikica and Stephen to review applications for Library Board appointment</li><li>• Recommendations will go to City Clerk's late November/early December</li><li>• Appointments are expected to be done late January 2023</li></ul>	
<b>Recruitment Updates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To date 19 applications for the Library Board has been received, along with 2 from Assiniboia and 2 for EKT LAC</li><li>• Canstar Community News ads ran Sept 21 and again on Oct 2</li><li>• Winnipeg Free Press will run on Oct 8</li><li>• Suggestion received to have a French/bilingual version</li><li>• Suggestion was received that a targeted poster be created and posted at branches; there will be a French version</li></ul>	
<b>Fearless R2W Request Amendment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Amended program scope received</li><li>• See appendix B for motion</li></ul>	

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<b>Schedule 2023</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft Schedule tabled as there is one request to amend schedule received</li> </ul>	
<b>Sharing Circle Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sharing circle sessions scheduled November 15 and November 22</li> </ul>	

## 7. Vice-Chair's Report – Nikica Subek Simon

- Q3 report distributed prior to meeting
- Last meeting scheduled for November 7
- See appendix B for motion

## 8. Treasurer's Report – Stephen Kennedy

No report

## 9. LAC Updates

LAC	UPDATE
<i>Assiniboia (Cristiana, Kim Kristen)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No update</li> </ul>
<i>City Centre (David, Judy, Laila)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In-person meeting planned for October 11 at Cornish Library</li> </ul>
<i>East Kildonan- Transcona (Cindy, Karon, Nikica)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting held on Sept 29</li> <li>Congratulations to Cindy Elliott for being elected new Chair</li> <li>Thanks giving to Jonathon Avey for being Chair</li> <li>Scavenger hunt being planned for Spring 2023</li> </ul>
<i>Lord-Selkirk West Kildonan (Ryan, Jaideep, Diana)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No update</li> </ul>

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(Donna, Dean,  
Emmanuel)*

- Meeting scheduled Oct 13 and will be hybrid
- Meeting will be held at St. Vital Library

**10. Other Business**

*None*

**11. New Business**

*None*

**12. Date and Location of Next meeting**

Tuesday, November 1, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.  
MS Teams Meeting

**13. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned 5:47 p.m.

**1<sup>st</sup>** Jaideep Johar

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

**Appendix A**  
**Manager's Report October 3, 2022**

## **1. Facilities Update**

### **a) Millennium Library Carpeting and Lighting Upgrade**

- Completion schedule has been delayed due to supply chain challenges
- Tentatively renovations will be completed in 2023 Q1
- Project page [Millennium Library Renovation - Winnipeg Public Library](#)

### **b) Transcona Library**

- Exterior book return on the west side of the building not installed to date

## **2. Thanks and Acknowledgements**

Winnipeg Public Library would like to Celia Rodd and Jane Markesteyn for volunteering to help Marla Lockhart and Toby Cygman at the Sherbrook Street Festival on September 10, 2022.

## **3. Ontario Library Association Presentation Proposal**

The Sept. 9 meeting of the Community Safety Host program steering committee did not include a rep from FearlessR2W so did not connect re OLA 2023. As the deadline for proposal submissions for the conference has passed, recommend aiming for OLA 2024 with the advantage of additional experience with the program including successes and lessons learned.

## **4. Staffing Update**

### *Recruitment – External Bulletins*

- Posting 121635 – Branch Librarian Head full-time
- Posting 121626 – Library Services Assistant 3 (Information Assistant) part-time
- Posting 121620 – Library Services Assistant 1/2 (Bilingual) part-time

### *Recruitment – Upcoming External Bulletins*

- Library Services Assistant 1/2 (multiple locations) part-time
- Shelver (multiple locations) part-time

## 5. Youth Services Update

- The annual TD Summer Reading Club ran from June 13-September 2.
  - 14,169 free bilingual reading kits to pre-reader and school age children was distributed.
  - Children tracked and submitted ballots for each day they spent time reading or being read to this summer.
  - A total of 11,558 ballots were submitted which is equivalent to 57,790 days of reading.
  - TD SRC was also promoted at special events such as:
    - TD SRC National Launch (June 14)
    - Newcomer Welcome Fair & Multiculturalism Day Celebration (June 26)
    - Kids' Fringe (July 23-24)
    - Library Day at the Ballpark (July 31)
    - 650+ engagements overall.
- The bilingual Teen Summer Reading Challenge Card for teens in Grades 7-12 included 20 unique challenges. 1332 bilingual challenge cards were distributed this summer.
- Summer programming included 193 programs for families, children, and teens with a total of 3,900 attendees in July and August.
- Between June 13 – September 2, 168 class, daycare, or nursery visits were delivered to a total of 4,562 attendees.
- Science Literacy Week programming took place September 17 to 24. In partnership with WISE Kid-Netic Energy (UM) and Scientists in School, 13 in-person and 2 online science-based programs were delivered. 215 school age children attended WISE programs, while 30 preschoolers and caregivers attended Scientists in Schools' Science Meets Art online program. Thank you to the Friends of the Winnipeg Public Library for their support of Science Literacy Week programming.
- The first Fall Early Literacy Session runs September 19-October 28 and includes 60 early literacy sessions (Baby Rhyme Time, Toddler Time, and Family Story Time). All programs are in-person and registration is required. As of September 19, 1740 babies, toddlers, children, and caregivers were registered for the 60 programs. The second Fall Session will run November 14 - December 17 and registration will open on October 17.

- Two Indigenous Language learning sessions are underway for children and their families in partnership with Indigenous Languages of Manitoba (ILMB). Ininimowin (Cree) for Families at Transcona Library and Anishinaabemowin (Ojibwe) for Families at Bill and Helen Norrie Library. Classes run on Saturdays from September 17 – October 22 and registration is required. Thank you to the Winnipeg Public Library Board for their support of Indigenous language programming this Fall.

## 6. Adult Programming and Outreach Update

October 4th marks Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and Two-Spirited People's Honouring and Awareness Day in Manitoba. To show our commitment to the 231 Calls for Justice, and to honour families and survivors, **Red Dresses** will be displayed at all Winnipeg Public Libraries.

**Skywalk Series** (a partnership with the University of Winnipeg and Virtuosi Concerts) returns live and in person for the first time since March 2020!

The series returns to Millennium Library Wednesdays and Thursdays from October 5 to October 27:

- Wednesdays are for Lectures: Talks from leading UWinnipeg professors, informing and engaging the audience on topics of broad historical, political, and scientific interest.
- Thursdays are for Concerts: Featuring an eclectic assortment of local musical performers.

In-person **computer programs** have been rolled out to neighbourhood libraries: topics range from Introduction to the Computer, and Email Basics to Excel Levels 1, 2, and 3.

Registration begins October 1<sup>st</sup> for two, 6-week introductory **Indigenous Language Courses** for Adults: Anishinaabemowin (Ojibwe – at St. James-Assiniboia library) and Ininimowin (Cree – at Transcona library). The courses run Saturdays, from October 29 – December 3. Offered in partnership with Indigenous Languages of Manitoba.

Popular online programming continues: The latest **Time to Read** podcast will be released October 7: *Empire of the Wild* by Cherie Dimaline. Additional programming includes Sleep Smarts: Improving Sleep Habits, genealogy programs, English Conversation Groups, and more.

Thank you to the Winnipeg Public Library Board for funding two upcoming training sessions. **Sharing Circles** are spaces to learn and share in conversation. An online MMIWG2S+ Circle has been scheduled for Tuesday, November 22nd from 2-4 PM, and an In-person Sharing Circle will take place on Tuesday, November 15th. Board members will participate along with staff.

## 7. Outreach services

Staff will be bringing a pop-up library to the **Sara Riel Mental Health and Wellness Expo** on Tuesday, October 4. Attendees can register for a library account and borrow items from a small display collection.

Library presentations are scheduled at:

- **Addictions Foundation of Manitoba**
- **Taking Charge!** (Taking Charge! Provides supportive services to single parents and women so they can break the cycle of poverty and dependency, to become self-sufficient and empowered.)
- **Ka Ni Kanichihk** (pronounced Ga Ni Ganichick) means “those who lead” in the Ininew (Cree) Ka Ni Kanichihk provides education and job-skills training, support for women and families, and mentorship.

And the **Mobile Library** continues its biweekly visits to Indigenous Family Centre and Blake Gardens Resource Centre.

## 8. 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

### October 3, 2022 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	Jaideep Johar	Dean Scaletta	<b>Carried</b>
That the September 6, 2022 minutes be approved as distributed.	Jaideep Johar	Judith Littleford	<b>Carried</b>
That the amended scope be accepted as part of the Community Safety Host program that was approved at the April 5, 2022 Library Board meeting and that the Chair, Treasurer, and Assistant be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the foregoing.	Dean Scaletta	Emmanuel Oluwadare	<b>Carried</b>
That the Q3 strat plan report be approved as distributed	Nikica Subek Simon	Dean Scaletta	<b>Carried</b>