

# Winnipeg Public Library Board Meeting

Tuesday, August 6, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

St. Johns Library (Program Room)

## 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"/>	Carla Epp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael Wenezs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dean Scaletta	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vacant				Gordon Crook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
David Robinson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jaideep Johar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ed Cuddy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Laila Yesmin	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Santos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mario Lebar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councillor Schreyer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Morley Walker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trevor Surgenor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	P. Colleen Suche	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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**Guests:** Nellie Groening, Assistant Branch Head  
Ian Keena, Chair, Lord Selkirk – West Kildonan LAC

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

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 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

*See Appendix C for motions*

## 5. Approval of the previous meeting minutes

*See Appendix C for motions*

## 6. Manager's Report – Ed Cuddy

*See Appendix B for report*

## 7. Chair's Report – Monique Ireland

Item	Description	Action
<b>Treasurer Vacancy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Vice-Chair reviewed duties of Treasurer and timeline commitments</li><li>• Any one interested in joining the Executive Committee let Chair know</li></ul>	
<b>ALA Conference Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Verbal and written reports received from delegates (Monique and Gordon)</li></ul>	
<b>LAC Chairs as Guest</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Each LAC Chair has been invited to a future Board meeting</li><li>• Schedule was distributed prior to meeting</li></ul>	
<b>MLC &amp; CFLA-FCAB</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Request for Sponsorship letter of intent has been received and distributed to the group prior to meeting</li><li>• Has been considered as part of budget for 2020</li></ul>	

## 8. Treasurer's Report

*See Appendix C for motion*

## 9. LAC Reports

*Verbal updates received as information*

## 10. Other Business

Item	Description	Action
<b>Multilingual Study Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Michael, Ed and 2 other WPL staff are part of the evaluation committee</li><li>• Will be evaluating proposal received</li></ul>	

<b>Item</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>WPLB Strat Plan Discussion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Working to receive quotes</li><li>• Target to have strat plan in place by January</li></ul>	

**11. New Business**

- WPL 2020 funding request received as information

**12. Adjournment**

The meeting was called to adjournment

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

Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.  
Millennium Library  
251 Donald Street (Buchwald Room)

## Appendix A

### Guest Speaker Highlights

- The Winnipeg Public Library Board welcomes Nellie Groening, Assistant Branch Head for St. John's Library
- Career highlights
  - o Started with WPL in 2002
  - o Worked as an Library Services Assistant (LSA) 3 at Millennium Library in the Children/Teen section for 12 years and as worked at various WPL branches
  - o Started as the assistant branch head at St. John's Library in 2014
- Kim Parry was recently hired as the Branch Head Librarian
- Library re-opened on July 5, 2019 and Carnegie library is now accessible
  - o Closed August 2017 for renovations
  - o There are only 14 Carnegie libraries in Canada that were built outside of Ontario, Winnipeg has 3 (Cornish and St. John's library are still being used as public libraries)
  - o Customers and visitors are happy with the renovation work and can admire the branch's light and beauty
- Surrounding area is very diverse and has many cultures including Indigenous, Asian, African and European
- Computers in the adult section are very popular with customers and often in use
- Refinished oak tables and tutorial room are used often by customers usually for long study sections
- There has been an increase in room bookings since the branch re-opened
- Students from the high-school next door come in to recharge their devices, borrow books and socialized with their friends
- Community daycares and school groups visit the branch on a regular basis to attend story times or to borrow materials
- Annually branch staff attends Picnic in the Park at St. John's Park as a way to connect with the community
- The branch networks with various north end community groups including the North End Community Helpers Network and I Heart the North End; staff look forward to connecting with other groups

For more information about St. John's Library visit

<https://wpl.winnipeg.ca/library/branchpages/branch.aspx?stjn>

## Appendix B

### Manager's Report August 2019

#### 1. Facilities Update

##### a) Carnegie Library renovations

###### St. John's:

- Branch re-opened on July 5 and the event was well attended

###### Cornish:

- Asbestos/abatement work has been completed
- Construction work has begun on site
- Expected to re-open in 2020

##### b) Bill & Helen Norrie Library

- Request for Qualification for Construction closed on July 3
- Construction Bid Opportunity 542-2019 closes August 14

##### c) Other Facilities

- Former Charleswood Library has been sold
- West Kildonan Library lower level will close for minor renovations from August 26 – late fall 2019; the rest of the building will remain open
- Westwood Library will close for foundation repairs starting in September – details to follow
- Harvey Smith Library will close from August 26 and reopen on September 8 due to maintenance and repairs at Cindy Klassen Recreation Centre.

#### Project info pages on WPL website

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

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

#### 2. Thanks and Acknowledgments

- Thank you to the Library Board and Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Library Advisory Committee for their donation of flowers, gift baskets and refreshments for the St. John's Library opening celebration
- Thank you to Lucille Eustache from the East Kildonan-Transcona Library Advisory Committee for volunteering to help WPL staff at the Winnipeg International Children's Festival (Kidsfest) at the Forks on Sunday, June 9
- Thank you to Christiana Gheorghe from the Assiniboia Library Advisory Committee for volunteering to help WPL staff at the Indigenous Day Pow Wow and Newcomer Fair on Friday, June 21

#### 3. Program Highlights and Updates

##### *Goldeyes Baseball Players Visit Branches*

On August 6, Goldeyes Baseball players will be visiting various Winnipeg Public Library branches to read stories, meet fans, answer questions and give autographs. They will be visiting Charleswood, Henderson, Pembina Trail, St. Vital and Transcona libraries.

### Rhyme and Play Program

WPL is piloting a new drop-in program series aimed at young parents (up to age 21). There will be 4 sessions on Wednesday morning starting on August 7. The focus will be for young parents to become comfortable with the programs and services at the library, introduce literacy to babies and to mingle with other young families. The program will feature rhymes, crafts; and sharing of toys and board books.

### Early Literacy Programming Registration Reminder

Winnipeg Public Library's fall early literacy programs registration start on August 22 at 10 a.m. Fall sessions for various family friendly programming run from September 23 – November 25.

### Fall Programming Update

- ideaMILL will be starting a new electronics club
- Skywalk Concert and Lecture series return late September
- Green It series will be offered to cover topics such as low-waste living, solar power and saving water

## **4. Library Board Sponsored Projects Update**

### Kindergarten Campaign Update

The Kindergarten Card Campaign continued in the 2018/19 school year with the Seven Oaks School Division. Both enrolled and incoming kindergarten students received applications for library cards. We are continuing our partnership with the Pembina Trails School Division this summer and are working with the Literacy Links home visit program to provide cards to incoming students. Thank you to the Library Board for their continued support in this initiative.

### Giveaway Books Update

The Library Board sponsored giveaway books are being well used by staff during the summer events. Books were given away to families during Indigenous Day, Kids in Kare Picnic and APIN (Adolescent Parent Information Network) conference. Staff would like to thank the Library Board, as the books are great icebreakers in conversations around reading in the early years and developing pre-literacy skills.

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

On April 4th, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection, Community Services and Parks directed WPL to *consider alternatives to making people safe including an examination of best practices in other similar public facilities in Winnipeg as well as best practices in other Canadian cities and report back with a verbal report in 60 days and a written report in 120 days.*

Library Services is completing the written report on Millennium Library screening measures for submission to the City's report system in August 2019.

## Appendix C

### August 6, 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	Morley Walker	Michael Wenezs	<b>Carried</b>
That the May 7, 2019 minutes be approved as distributed	Carla Epp	Jaideep Johar	<b>Carried</b>
That the Q2 report report be approved as distributed	Gordon Crook	Mario Lebar	<b>Carried</b>