



WEST VANCOUVER MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD

MINUTES

For the meeting of
January 20, 2010
Welsh Hall East

Present: P. Tutsch [Chair], M. Bergen, M.J. Campbell, K. Farquharson,
R. Foucault, H. Greenwood, A. Hamilton, S. Parrott, F. Patterson,
Z. Rahimi

Staff: A. Goodhart, L. Henderson and L. Breen

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

2. Introduction of New Trustees

The Chair introduced Mary Jo Campbell and Zia Rahimi. Mary Jo Campbell was a Director on the WVML Foundation for two years and Zia Rahimi is an engineer currently working for Canada Post. He welcomed them both to the Library Board.

3. Approval of Agenda

Under item 9 Liaison Reports, A. Hamilton asked to add a) Foundation and S. Parrott requested the addition of b) InterLINK

It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

4. Adoption of Minutes

It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the Minutes of the Library Board meeting held December 9, 2009 be adopted as circulated.

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5. Election of Officers

H. Greenwood, past Chair, assumed the Chair and called for nominations for the Library Board Chair. P. Tutsch was nominated and accepted. There being no further nominations in response to three calls, P. Tutsch was elected Chair by acclamation.

S. Parrott, 2009 Vice-Chair, called for nominations for the Library Board Vice-Chair. M. Bergen was nominated and accepted. There being no further nominations in response to three calls, M. Bergen was elected Vice-Chair by acclamation.

The Chair thanked S. Parrott for her term as the 2009 Vice-Chair.

6. Business Arising from Minutes

F. Patterson enquired whether the ad hoc committee had made any recommendations with regards to a service agreement with Lions Bay. She was advised that a meeting had not yet been convened.

7. Correspondence

a) InterLINK

The Chair received a letter from InterLINK advising that at their November 24, 2009 meeting a motion was passed recommending that its member library boards appoint their trustee liaisons for a minimum of 2 years. The Chair thanked S. Parrott for proposing the motion and presenting it to InterLink.

8. Report of the Director of Library Services

A. Goodhart distributed the report to the Trustees. She reviewed the document and highlighted a number of the events and activities. In particular, the Teen Movie Night which is gaining popularity amongst the pre-teens while fostering leadership in the teen volunteers involved in organizing this program. She also advised that the new "Quick Flicks" collection is a success.

A. Goodhart reminded the Trustees of the Welsh Hall Grand Opening on Friday, January 22. There will be an Open House between 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. for the public. Invitations to the Open House were also sent to the Library's previous room renters. The official Welsh Hall opening and ribbon cutting by the Mayor is in the evening at 6:30 p.m. Local politicians, donors, current and former Board Trustees and Foundation Directors have been invited to this invitation only

event. The Mayor, N. Brown, Chair of the WVML Foundation, and A. Goodhart will be making speeches. In addition, Les Welsh, the benefactor's nephew, is flying in from Ottawa for the Grand Opening. The Chair asked the Trustees attending to wear their name tags and be ambassadors for the Library.

On Saturday, January 23, the Grand Opening celebrations continue in the morning with a performance by Will Stroet, a children's entertainer and a talk by Dr. James Delgado, in the afternoon.

A. Goodhart advised that the Olympic events will be broadcast live in the Welsh Hall on the big screen. The Board members have already been e-mailed a copy of the Library's Olympic programs calendar.

S. Parrott asked A. Goodhart to convey the Board's appreciation to the Library's graphic designer for the professionalism in the design of all the posters and brochures.

Councillor Trish Panz joined the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

The Chair welcomed Councillor Panz and advised the Board that she will be replacing Shannon Walker as the Council Representative. The Trustees and staff introduced themselves.

9. Liaison Reports

a) Foundation

The Foundation had a meeting on Tuesday, January 19. The Directors discussed the donor campaigns and agreed that the cost of hiring a fundraising consultant was money well spent since their donations increased significantly from \$16,000.00 in 2008 to \$36,000.00 in 2009.

The Foundation has convened a Donor Board ad hoc committee to review and update the policy.

Work has already begun on organizing this year's Mallet Masters Croquet Tournament which is on Friday, June 18. They will be increasing the number of teams from 34 to 40.

b) InterLINK

S. Parrott distributed the InterLINK Strategic Plan to the Trustees to review. It is the first one they have ever done.

The Chair thanked S. Parrott for the role she played in developing the InterLINK Strategic Plan.

10. Committee Reports

None

11. New Business

a) Thank-you Card

The Foundation sent a card to the Library Board thanking them for hosting the holiday party at S. Parrott's home in December.

b) Council Meeting – January 25

The 2010 Capital Budget will be discussed at the Council Meeting on Monday, January 25. At the District Finance Committee meeting the Councillors raised a concern about the amount of money the Library was requesting. A. Goodhart encouraged the Trustees to come to the January 25 Council Meeting to show support for the Library's Capital projects. The Chair asked the Board members to advocate for the necessity of updating the windows, HVAC and roof.

c) Committee & Liaison Reports

The Chair reminded the Trustees of the importance of responding to the e-mail from the Administrative Assistant with regards to whether they will be making a Committee or Liaison report at the Board meeting. This will prevent the need to make amendments to the agenda.

d) Library Board Dinner

The Chair asked the Board members to advise the Administrative Assistant if they are not partaking in the light supper provided.

e) TED Conference

A thank-you to Jill Greenwood, H. Greenwood's daughter, for arranging a live broadcast of the TED Conference, February 10 -13, 2010 in the Library. Information on the program and speakers can be found on the website, www.ted.com

f) Parking

A. Goodhart advised that she and Ann Mooi, Director of Parks & Community

Services, are on a Task Force this year to review the Community Centre and Library's parking issues.

12. Public Questions

None

13. Date and Place of Next Meeting

Wednesday, March 3, 2010, Welsh Hall East

14. Adjournment

It was duly moved and seconded:

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

All documents distributed at the meeting are available for perusal upon request.