MINUTES
GREATER VICTORIA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD REGULAR MEETING and
FESTIVE LUNCH
Central Branch, 735 Broughton Street
Community Meeting Room
December 11, 2018 12:00pm – 1:30pm

The GVPL Board recognizes and acknowledges the traditional territory of the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations on which the Central Branch is located and Board Meetings take place.

A meeting of the Greater Victoria Public Library Board was held on the above date at the above location. The following individuals were in attendance:

Board Members:
- Trustee R. Martin (Chair)
- Trustee D. Begoray (Vice-Chair)
- Trustee A. Appleton
- Trustee B. Beckett
- Trustee M. Boyd
- Trustee T. Chung
- Trustee D. Curtis
- Trustee J. Davis
- Trustee K. Harper
- Trustee D. Kobayashi
- Trustee J. Loveday
- Trustee K. Roessingh
- Trustee J. Rogers
- Trustee K. Santini
- Trustee M. Sahlstrom
- Trustee J. Vermeulen

Staff:
- M. Sawa, CEO/Secretary
- P. McKinnon, Director of Finance and Facilities
- D. Main, Director of People and Culture
- D. Phillips, Director of Technology and Integration
- J. Windecker, Director, Library Services, Innovation and Delivery
- D. Wood, Director, Library Services, Planning and Engagement
- K. Marshall, Recording Secretary
- H. Hughes, CUPE President

Regrets:
- Trustee R. Burris
- Trustee Z. King
- Trustee S. Laidlaw
- Trustee A. MacKinnon

Guests:
- K. Burns
- Mayor K. Murdoch
- D. Murdock
CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

Trustee Martin called the meeting to order at 12:08pm.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Trustee Roessingh, Seconded by Trustee Rogers

THAT the December 11, 2018 agenda be approved

MOTION CARRIED

2. CHAIR'S REMARKS

Trustee Martin wished everyone Happy Holidays and welcomed attendees to the festive lunch. Trustees were invited to join GVPL staff for ‘Choirs in the Courtyard’ following the meeting. Trustee Martin thanked those trustees who donated to the library in 2018.

Trustee Harper and Trustee Rogers were appointed as primary and alternate Greater Victoria Labour Relations Association board liaisons, respectively.

Trustee Martin thanked the trustees who participated in the “Cookies and Crafts” branch open houses on December 8.

Trustee Martin expressed his appreciation for the board, the CEO and staff’s hard work and assistance during his seven years on the board.

Trustee Begoray expressed her appreciation to all trustees for their help and board involvement and thanked GVPL staff for their work.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Trustee Roessingh, Seconded by Trustee Curtis

THAT the minutes of the November 27, 2018 Regular Board Meeting be approved

MOTION CARRIED

4. CEO REPORT

Maureen Sawa, CEO presented the CEO report. The December 8 “Cookies and Crafts” open houses were well attended and she thanked the trustees who participated.

The City of Victoria is in the process of developing their new strategic plan and discussions regarding priorities include opportunities for a new central library and options for library services in the Hillside/Oaklands area are under consideration.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None
6. **NEW BUSINESS**  
6.1 **Outgoing Trustee Recognition**  

Outgoing trustees, Burns, Murdoch, Murdock and Martin were thanked for their dedication to the board and presented with gifts of appreciation.

7. **REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS (COMMUNITY & STAFF)**  
7.1 **Perception Survey**  

Daphne Wood, Director of Library Services, Planning and Engagement, presented the results of a perception survey of 533 residents in the library’s service area. From July 13 to 24, a representative sample of adults were invited to participate over the phone or online and respond to a series of questions regarding the perceived value of GVPL. Results: the majority of respondents agreed or strongly agreed that GVPL is important to lifelong learning, is inclusive, contributes to community wellbeing and plays an important role in civic engagement.

7.2 **BCLTA Update**  

Nothing to report

8. **BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**  
8.1 Letter – Town of View Royal 2019 Budget and Five-Year Financial Plan  

Moved by Trustee Rogers, Seconded by Trustee Loveday

 THAT the Board receive the correspondence  

**MOTION CARRIED**

9. **ADJOURNMENT**  

Moved by Trustee Davis, Seconded by Trustee Roessingh

 THAT the December 11, 2018 Regular Board Meeting adjourn  

**MOTION CARRIED**

Meeting adjourned at 1:05pm

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Board Chair

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Board Secretary