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 D. Begoray (Chair)
- Trustee A. MacKinnon (Vice-Chair)
- Trustee A. Appleton
- Trustee B. Beckett
- Trustee M. Boyd
- Trustee T. Chung
- Trustee D. Curtis
- Trustee J. Davis
- Trustee E. Glover
- Trustee Z. King
- Trustee J. Loveday
- Trustee K. Roessingh
- Trustee J. Rogers
- Trustee M. Sahlstrom
- Trustee K. Santini
- Trustee J. Vermeulen

**Staff:**
- M. Sawa, CEO/Board Secretary
- P. McKinnon, Director, Finance and Facilities/Board Treasurer
- K. Marshall, Recording Secretary
- D. Joyce, CUPE 410 President

**Regrets:**
- Trustee K. Harper
- Trustee D. Kobayashi
- Trustee S. Laidlaw

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND INDIGENOUS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

   Meeting called to order at 12:00p.m.

2. **INDIGENOUS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

   Trustee Begoray provided the Indigenous acknowledgement.
3. CHAIR’S REMARKS

Trustee Begoray joined staff at the American Library Association (ALA) Conference in Washington, DC to accept the John Cotton Dana Award for Outstanding Public Relations for GVPL’s Change Your Mind campaign. Trustee Begoray congratulated staff for this significant achievement.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Trustee Appleton, Seconded by Trustee Beckett

THAT the June 25, 2019 consent agenda be approved.   

MOTION CARRIED

5. OFFICERS REPORTS

5.1 Chair Report

Trustee D. Begoray provided the chair report.

GVPL received a letter of congratulations from the City of Victoria for receiving the John Cotton Dana Award.

The 9th Annual Staff Development Day occurred on June 19 at the University of Victoria. Trustees Begoray, Loveday, MacKinnon and Chung attended the morning session.

Trustee Begoray attended the sx̱wx̱w̱aʔtaʔ x̱x̱w̱ James Bay Branch art installation opening on May 31 and the Friends of the Library AGM on June 12.

The BC Summer Reading Club (BC SRC) begins June 27, 2019.

5.2 CEO Report to the Board

M. Sawa, CEO provided the CEO report.

The 9th Annual Staff Development day took place June 19 the theme was Taking Flight. Community leaders discussed critical community issues and how the library is a partner in addressing the challenges the community faces.

In addition to participating in ALA’s John Cotton Dana Award events, GVPL staff attended ALA’s annual conference to present a conference session on GVPL’s community inspired librarian service model.

At the Friends of the Library (FOL) Annual General Meeting in June, the FOL presented a cheque for $45,000 to GVPL in support of digital literacy, BC SRC and indigenous collections.

GVPL participated in World Refugee Day events at the Victoria City Hall.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

None
7. COMMITTEE REPORTS
7.1 Planning and Policy Committee Meeting June 11, 2019

Trustee Davis provided a report on the June 11 planning and policy committee meeting. The meeting discussions included the upcoming board retreat and a board retreat working group was established that will meet in July. The next planning and policy meeting is September 10, 2019.

8. NEW BUSINESS
8.1 Provincial Library Funding Advocacy
8.1.1 Member Municipalities Update

Motions from member municipalities requesting the restoration of provincial funding were distributed with the June board meeting agenda. These will be brought forward to the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) conference in September. The motions have been shared with the BC Library Association (BCLA) and other library partners.

8.1.2 BC Government Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services

Moved by Trustee Appleton, Seconded by Trustee Beckett

THAT the GVPL Board approve the letter prepared by staff for submission to the BC Government’s Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services.

Proposed amendment:

Moved by Trustee Boyd, Seconded by Trustee Rogers

THAT the letter prepared by staff for submission to the BC Government’s Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services be amended to include the Ministry of Education’s Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and the role the library plays in accomplishing those KPIs.

MOTION CARRIED

Main Motion:

Moved by Trustee Appleton, Seconded by Trustee Beckett

THAT the GVPL Board approve the amended letter prepared by staff for submission to the BC Government’s Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services.

MOTION CARRIED

8.2 Canadian Urban Libraries Council (CULC) Digital Publications Advocacy Campaign

CULC is developing a federal government relations campaign to improve public library access to E-content.

Moved by Trustee Davis, Seconded by Trustee Loveday
THAT the GVPL Board support CULC/CBUC’s campaign to improve access to digital publications and that the GVPL Board advocate to elected federal officials and federal electoral candidates for a solution to the barriers that Canadian libraries face in accessing digital publications.  

MOTION CARRIED

9. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

9.1 BC Summer Reading Club

Middle Childhood and Tween Literacy librarians, Sarah Harrison, Vruti Patel and Darrel Joyce presented information on GVPL’s Summer Reading Club plans for 2019. The BC SRC program was developed by the British Columbia Library Association (BCLA) and has been running for over 20 years. The program is a self-paced reading program designed to encourage children to read over the summer school break. Children read for twenty minutes a day and return to the library to have their reading record stamped and to receive an award and prize.

10. BOARD LIAISON UPDATES

10.1 Friends of the Library

Trustee Santini provided an FOL update. The FOL AGM was held on June 12, 2019. $45,000 was presented to GVPL for digital literacy, BC Summer Reading Club and indigenous collections. The June 22 book sale raised $6,700.

Trustee Vermeulen left the meeting at 1:00pm.

Trustee Curtis left the meeting at 1:01pm.

10.2 British Columbia Library Trustees Association

Trustee Glover provided a BCLTA update. The 20 by 20 campaign is a province-wide advocacy campaign urging the provincial government to restore funding to libraries. Additional information can be found on the BCLTA website: https://www.bclta.ca/20-million-in-2020-campaign/

11. NEXT MEETING DATE

September 17, 2019 12:00pm-1:00pm

12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Sahlstrom, Seconded by Trustee MacKinnon

THAT the June 25, 2019 Regular Board Meeting adjourn

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 1:04pm