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

**Board Members:**
- Trustee A. Appleton
- Trustee E. Beaton
- Trustee D. Begoray
- Trustee M. Boyd
- Trustee T. Chung
- Trustee J. Davis
- Trustee K. Harper
- Trustee A. Holthuis
- Trustee D. Kobayashi
- Trustee G. Lemon
- Trustee J. Loveday
- Trustee A. MacKinnon
- Trustee K. Roessingh
- Trustee K. Santini
- Trustee B. Thompson
- Trustee J. Vermeulen

**Regrets:**
- Trustee E. Glover
- Trustee M. Sahlstrom
- Trustee D. Seaton

**Staff:**
- M. Sawa, CEO/Secretary
- P. McKinnon, Director Finance and Facilities
- D. Main, Director People and Culture
- A. Polinsky, Acting Director Communications and Development
- J. Windecker, Director Library Services, Innovation and Delivery
- D. Wood, Privacy Officer, Director, Planning and IT
- K. Marshall, Recording Secretary
- F. Ferreira, President CUPE 410

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
   
   Board Secretary M. Sawa, CEO called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

2. **INDIGENOUS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**
   
   M. Sawa, provided the Indigenous acknowledgement.
3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

M. Sawa, welcomed Saanich citizen representative, Trustee Beaton.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Trustee Kobayashi, Seconded by Trustee Davis

THAT the January 26, 2021 consent agenda be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

5.1 Election of Chair

The Secretary called for nominations for Chair of the Greater Victoria Public Library Board for a term of one year.

Moved by Trustee Kobayashi and seconded by Trustee Harper THAT Trustee MacKinnon be nominated for the position of Board Chair for a one-year term.

A call for further nominations was made three times. There were no further nominations.

Voting by show of hands was conducted and Trustee MacKinnon was elected as Chair of the Greater Victoria Public Library Board.

5.2 Election of Vice-Chair

The Chair called for nominations for Vice-Chair of the Greater Victoria Public Library Board for a term of one year.

Moved by Trustee Appleton and seconded by Trustee Kobayashi THAT Trustee Holthuis be nominated for the position of Vice-Chair for a one-year term.

A call for further nominations was made three times. There were no further nominations.

Voting by show of hands was conducted and Trustee Holthuis was elected as Vice-Chair of the Greater Victoria Public Library Board.

6. APPOINTMENT OF SIGNING OFFICERS

Moved by Trustee Roessingh, Seconded by Trustee Loveday

THAT Board Chair Trustee MacKinnon and Board Vice-Chair Trustee Holthuis be appointed as signing officers.

MOTION CARRIED

7. CHAIR’S REMARKS

Trustee MacKinnon provided the Chair’s remarks. Trustee MacKinnon thanked and recognized Trustee Begoray for her service and dedication to the board as vice-chair and then as board chair, leading the board through challenging times.
The main board priority for 2021 will be strategic planning.

8. OFFICERS REPORTS
8.1 CEO Report

M. Sawa provided the CEO report. District branches (Saanich Centennial, Central, Nellie McClung and Juan de Fuca) are open extended hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays open until 7:00 PM and Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday open until 6:00 PM. Patrons have provided positive feedback regarding the additional hours. Public computer access is available at the sxʷeŋxʷəŋ təŋəxʷ James Bay branch. Providing public computer access to additional branches will occur in early 2021.

The Emerging Local Authors Collection has launched.

2021 budget presentations are occurring.

9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

None

10. NEW BUSINESS
10.1 2021 Strategic Planning

The 2016-2020 strategic planning cycle is complete. The planning and policy committee will meet in early February to discuss the 2021 strategic planning process.

10.2 2021 Trustee Appointments by Municipality

The 2021 list of trustee appointments by municipality was reviewed for information.

10.3 2021 Board Committees

K. Marshall, EA will be sending all trustees the list of 2020 committee memberships. Trustee MacKinnon asked all trustees to review the assignments and email K. Marshall with their preferences.

Trustee MacKinnon will determine the 2021 committee memberships in early February.

10.4 2021 Association Representatives

Trustee MacKinnon reviewed the current association representatives. All incumbents will continue in their current positions.

11. BOARD LIAISON UPDATE
11.1 British Columbia Library Trustee Association (BCLTA) Update

Trustee Begoray provided the BCLTA update. Trustees were encouraged to read the January BCLTA Bulletin and attend the workshops.
11.2 Friends of the Library Update

Trustee Santini provided the Friends of the Library update. 2020 Financial Statements were finalized. Friends donated $12,000 to GVPL to support the BC Summer Reading Club and Niche Academy. A 2021 wish list is being considered.

11.3 IslandLink Federation Update

Trustee Davis provided the IslandLink Federation update. The IslandLink board will be meeting in February 2021 to discuss priorities identified in the fall of 2020.

12. NEXT MEETING DATE

February 23, 2021 12:00p.m. – 1:00p.m.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Roessingh, Seconded by Trustee Kobayashi

THAT the regular meeting of the board adjourn.

Meeting adjourned 1:01p.m.

Board Chair                  Board Secretary