



Aurora Public Library Board

MINUTES of MEETING

Thursday, March 2, 2023

The Aurora Public Library Board held its regular meeting on March 2, 2023 in the MA Room (and via video conference).

Present: Christina Choo-Hum, John Clement, Lauren Hanna, Adam Mobbs, Greg Smith, Councillor Ron Weese

Regrets: Councillor John Gallo

Chief Executive Officer: Bruce Gorman

Staff: Mario Baleno, IT Manager; Mary Ann Gruppuso, Manager, Collections and Access; Reccia Mandelcorn, Manager, Community Collaboration; Jodi Marr, Manager, Customer Opportunity; Maida Rae, HR Coordinator/EA (recorder); Julie Rocca, Business Manager

The Chair called the meeting to order at 07:02 p.m. Library CEO Bruce Gorman will serve as Chair until a Chair is elected.

1. Adoption of the Revised Agenda

MOTION: **23.01.01**
Moved by: J. Clement
Seconded by: A. Mobbs
CARRIED

THAT the revised agenda be approved

2. Library Tour and Introductions

Library CEO B. Gorman took the Board members on a tour of the Library, followed by introductions of Board members and staff.

3. Election of the Library Board Executive 2023

The CEO acted as the meeting Chair for this item of business. The position of Chair and Vice-Chair to the Library Board were declared vacant and the position of OLS Trustee Representative was declared open.

MOTION: **23.01.02**
Moved by: Councillor Ron Weese
Seconded by: G. Smith
CARRIED

THAT Adam Mobbs be nominated for the position of Chair of the Library Board

The meeting Chair called for further nominations. There being no further nominations, Adam Mobbs was acclaimed to the position of Chair.

Adam Mobbs assumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

MOTION: **23.01.03**
Moved by: J. Clement
Seconded by: Councillor R. Weese
CARRIED

THAT Greg Smith be nominated for position of Vice-Chair of the Library Board

The Chair called for further nominations. There being no further nominations, Greg Smith was acclaimed to the position of Vice-Chair.

MOTION : **23.01.04**
Moved by: J. Clement
Seconded by: Councillor R. Weese
CARRIED

THAT Christina Choo-Hum be nominated for the position of OLS Trustee Representative

The Chair called for further nominations. There being no further nominations, Christina Choo-Hum was acclaimed to the position of OLS Trustee Representative.

4. Disclosure of Interest

5. Approval of Minutes:

.1 Regular meeting of December 14, 2022

MOTION: **23.01.05**
Moved by: J. Clement
Seconded by: G. Smith
CARRIED

THAT the Minutes of the December 14, 2022 regular meeting be approved

6. Reports

.1 APL 2022 Fourth Quarter Operations Draft Report SR2023.01

A staff report was issued prior to the meeting.

MOTION: **23.01.06**
Moved by: G. Smith
Seconded by: C. Choo-Hum
CARRIED

THAT the 2022 Fourth Quarter Operations Report to December 31, 2022 be approved

.2 Fourth Quarter Use Indicators Report SR2023.02

A staff report was issued prior to the meeting.

MOTION: **23.01.07**
Moved by: L. Hanna
Seconded by: Councillor R. Weese
CARRIED

THAT the Aurora Public Library Board receives the Fourth Quarter Use Indicators DRAFT Report to December 31, 2022 as information

.3 2022 Year End Financial Statement Report SR2023.03

A staff report was issued prior to the meeting.

MOTION: **23.01.08**
Moved by: Councillor R. Weese
Seconded by: J. Clement
CARRIED

THAT the Aurora Public Library Financial Statement for the year ended December 31, 2022 be received

.4 2022 Annual Health and Safety Report SR2023.04

A staff report was issued prior to the meeting.

MOTION: **23.01.09**
Moved by: J. Clement
Seconded by: G. Smith
CARRIED

THAT the Annual Health and Safety Report for 2022 be received as information; and endorse the attached Aurora Public Library Board Health and Safety Policy statements

7. Library CEO Updates

.1 CEO Updates

A verbal report was provided at the meeting.

MOTION: **23.01.10**
Moved by: G. Smith
Seconded: C. Choo-Hum
CARRIED

THAT the Library CEO Updates be received as information

B. Gorman highlighted the budget process, including the approved 3% increase for 2023. The Library Value Calculator is featured on the APL website to showcase the value of library use to the community.

APL hosted a Business After 5 event with the Aurora Chamber of Commerce, providing an opportunity for the library to highlight services for small businesses.

B. Gorman met with Mayor Mrakas in February and attended the Mayor's Luncheon with Town counterparts. A dinner meeting is scheduled with the Town CAO for March 1st.

The northern York Region libraries (N6 group) is planning a Board Orientation session on Saturday, April 22nd in East Gwillimbury. Please RSVP to M. Rae if you are able to attend.

8. General Business Information/Questions

.1 *APL Updates and Aurora Town Square Stakeholder Updates*

Articles and photographs and a project update were issued prior to the meeting.

MOTION: **23.01.11**
Moved by: C. Choo-Hum
Seconded by: L. Hanna
CARRIED

THAT the APL Updates and the Aurora Town Square Stakeholder Updates be received as information

Newspaper articles and media coverage from late December to early February highlighted APL’s programs and services.

The Town of Aurora provided an update on the Aurora Town Square construction project in an email to the Board.

9. Member Announcements

Library staff highlighted upcoming programs, including March Break activities for children and International Women’s Day event.

A. Mobbs highlighted CEO performance as a Library Board responsibility. It was suggested that Board performance be assessed as well.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

11. Adjournment

MOTION: **23.01.12**
Moved by: Councillor R. Weese
Seconded by: L. Hanna
CARRIED

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

A. Mobbs
Chair

B. Gorman
Chief Executive Officer