

**Valleyview Library Board  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, November 3, 2021 @ 5:30 p.m. via Zoom**

*In attendance: Adam Norris, Kelli Reimer, Debbie Stewart, Louis Joseph, Scott Biggin, Debbie Wedel, Tanya Boman, Samantha Steinke, Kerri Danner, Christen Trofimenkoff*

1. **Call to order**– Meeting was called to order by Adam Norris at 5:40 p.m.
2. **Acceptance of Agenda** – Debbie Wedel made a MOTION to accept the agenda. All in favour. Carried.
3. **Adoption of Minutes** – Debbie Stewart made a MOTION to accept the minutes of the September 15, 2021 meeting. All in favour. Carried.
4. **VCLC Manager’s Report** – Christin Trofimenkoff presented her report and financial statements. Slower start to programs this year with COVID restrictions, hoping to get more programs running for November depending on provincial guidelines. Debbie Stewart made a MOTION to accept the report as information. All in favour. Carried. Christin Trofimenkoff left the meeting.
5. **Financial Report** – Kerri Danner presented the current financial statements to Oct 27, 2021. Louis Joseph made a MOTION to accept the Financial Reports as presented. All in favour. Carried.
6. **Library Manager’s Report** – Kerri Danner presented her report. On Oct. 14, 2021, a plumber had to be brought in to power snake the sewer line. This is the second time this year that the sewer has started to back up. Plumber Andrew Wirth resolved the issue but suggested that Kerri contact the Town of Valleyview to run a camera through the line to see if anything structural was causing the problem. President of the Friends of the Library group, Lori King passed away in October. The Library plans to purchase a few books in her memory. The Dolly Parton Imagination Library now has 44 children registered to receive free monthly books. Suggestions from the trustees to contact the pediatric team as well as the preschool at OAP. The Kids Read 4 Books program will begin on Nov. 1 and run until Dec. 23. Kelli Reimer made a MOTION to accept the report as information. All in favour. Carried.
7. **Topics for Discussion**
  - 7.1. **Going Fine Free**

Kerri Danner reported to the Board that many Peace Country libraries are moving to a fine free model to help remove barriers for people accessing the Library. Libraries in the Peace Library System have not been charging fines throughout the COVID pandemic. The effect on revenues is negligible, and funds have been raised to compensate through book sales, etc. To avoid item loss and library user abuse of borrowing privileges, a \$50 maximum will be set on patron accounts for non-return of items. Debbie Wedel made a MOTION to remove fines effective January 1, 2022. Kelli Reimer seconded the MOTION. All in favour. Carried.
8. **General Discussion**
  - 8.1. MD of Greenview #16 – Shawn Acton was not re-elected to the MD Ward of Sunset House. The MD has not yet put forward a name to Town of Valleyview Council for a representative to replace Shawn Acton as trustee.

- 8.2. Town of Valleyview – Town Councillor, Tanya Boman will remain on the Library Board as a trustee. Tanya had a call with Ken Allan from the PLSB, who confirmed that as per the Libraries Act, Library Boards do not allow alternates to sit on the Library Board. However, alternates are permitted on the Peace Library System Board.
- 8.3. Trustee Comments – Debbie Wedel inquired about possibility of opening the Library for Saturdays. Kerri Danner explained that Saturday service had originally been dropped due to low attendance and to reduce the operating budget for 2020. Kerri will poll the community and bring back information to the next meeting.

9. **Set Date for next meeting** – Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

10. **Adjournment** – Tanya Boman made a MOTION to adjourn at 6:33 p.m. All in favour. Adjourned.

#### APPROVAL

Tanya Boman made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 3, 2021 meeting. Louis Joseph seconded the motion. All in favour. Carried.

MINUTES APPROVED ELECTRONICALLY AT VIRTUAL MEETING ON DECEMBER 15, 2021

*Tanya Boman*  
Chair

*Jan 19/22*

*K. Reimer*  
Secretary

*Date*

*Jan 19/2022*