

Valleyview Municipal Library

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Annual General Meeting Board Minutes

Thursday, May 23, 2013

(with a potluck supper)

Attendance: Adam Norris, Mary Wilson, Judy Brothers, Warren Stewart, Ed Tollefson, Angela Radzikowski, Kerri Danner

Regrets: Scott Biggin

1.0 Call to Order: Chairperson Adam Norris called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

2.0 Welcome Guests/Refreshments: Chairperson Adam Norris welcomed everyone to the Library Board's Annual General Meeting and stated that their presence was appreciated. He extended an invitation to all those present to partake of the refreshments.

3.0 Additions or Deletions to Agenda: none

4.0 Adoption of Agenda: Ed Tollefson made motion to approve the agenda. All approved.

5.0 Adoption of Minutes from Last Meeting: Judy Brothers made a correction in the Town Councillor's report. It should be the Community Improvement Committee and not the Enhancement Committee. Warren Stewart made motion to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2012 Annual General Meeting with the change. Approved by all.

6.0 Message from the Board Chair – Adam Norris: Adam Norris reported that he assumed the position of Chair in January 2013. There have been many recent accomplishments by the Board and Library: a policy review was completed, having the solid support of the Town of Valleyview and MD of Greenview and their shared funding gives security to the Library, a big change was a new Library Manager, Kerri Danner replaced Susanne Tremblay and Kerri was praised for the excellent job she is doing and the Chair stated that he has heard this comment from others. He added that the Friends of the Library are an asset with their fundraising and their very successful cash calendar. The Library is becoming a social hub as an important place for the community with its coffee corner, movie nights, the use of its facilities by community groups, its new aquarium, and even the little things as a change table in the bathroom. The free use of the computers is a big draw for local residents as well as people from out of town. The Gallery has numerous visitors to see the photos as well as exhibitions by local and out of town artists. The installations of the disabled door access and the A/C have further added to the Library's development as a social hub. He concluded that it has been a very good year and all this has been achieved through the help and combined efforts of the Library staff, the Friends of the Library, the Board, the Town, and the MD.

7.0 2012 Highlights/Community Report: Kerri Danner, Library Manager, thanked the Town and MD for their support and she presented the 2012 Community Report and her 2012 Highlights report. Reports attached.

8.0 Councillor Comments:

8.1 Warren Stewart, Town of Valleyview: Warren Stewart asked if anyone had any questions then he confirmed what Adam Norris said that the Library is a social hub for the community. It is a great place and he mentioned the free movie night with coffee and popcorn. A successful library depends on the dedication of staff and he commended Kerri Danner on the fine job she is doing and we are fortunate to have her and the Library staff, as well as the Friends of the Library. He thanked the Town and the MD for excellent support and others who help support the Library including Peace Library System and Pembina and other worthy donors.

8.2 Ed Tollefson, M.D. of Greenview #16: Ed Tollefson stated that he became part of the Library Board in December 2012 and has gained appreciation of the Library and the great things that are being done. He praised Kerri Danner for doing a great job. He further added that the MD supports the Library and the Library is a high priority for the MD.

Janis Simpkins, the MD Reeve, stated that the Library is family friendly and she has brought her children here. The Library is an asset and benefit to the community with its coffee area and it is welcoming to all. She added that a Library is as successful as those who run it and that many are involved in making it work and she is appreciative of all of them. The MD does provide funding and she extended a thank you for the hard work that everyone does.

9.0 Guest Comments:

Monica Drozda commented that she and her family have always used the Library. It always has tapes and books and her children participated in the Summer Reading Program. She always feels welcome here, she loves the coffee corner and her husband enjoys the old photos in the Gallery.

Elaine Peterson commented that she is proud of what she sees in the Library. It is a big improvement from the basement in the Town office to the move downtown. She had been on the Board for 5-6 years. She gave kudos to the staff that is helpful, friendly, and knowledgeable and she further commented that she loves the Library and is glad to see it moving forward.

Shelley McCullough commented that she has been associated with the Library since 1970 when she moved to Valleyview and she loves what is happening in the Library.

Diane Haskell commented that with all the time she spends in the Library it is like her home. She is involved with numerous groups – Toastmasters, Photography Club, and Dance Club that use the Library's facilities and she uses it to post Pinterest items. She and her family are such ardent users of the Library that they have their own "box" for their interlibrary loan books. She also mentioned that Pat Mabley always suggest books and knows what Library members like to read.

Kerri Danner thanked the guests for their comments and for attending the meeting and she also thanked the Library staff who is very passionate and supportive.

10.0 Friends of the Library Report: Diane Haskell presented the President of the Friends of the Library Society's report in Anita Piebiak's absence and added that new Friends are always welcome. Report is attached.

11.0 Election of Officers

11.1 Chair – Judy Brothers nominated Adam Norris. Ed Tollefson moved nominations ceased. **Adam Norris** elected chairperson by acclamation.

11.2 Vice-Chair – Warren Stewart nominated Mary Wilson. Ed Tollefson moved nominations ceased. **Mary Wilson** elected vice-chairperson by acclamation.

11.3 Secretary – Ed Tollefson nominated Angela Radzikowski. Judy Brothers moved nominations ceased. **Angela Radzikowski** elected secretary by acclamation.

11.4 Treasurer – Warren Stewart nominated Adam Norris. Ed Tollefson moved nominations ceased. **Adam Norris** elected treasurer by acclamation.

12.0 Other Business: none

13.0 Date of Next Annual General Meeting: Wednesday, May 21, 2014 (tentative)

14.0 Adjournment: Adam Norris adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m. and again thanked everyone for attending.

Chairperson _____

Secretary _____

Date _____