

**MINUTES OF THE SIXTEENTH MEETING OF
THE GREATER SUDBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

September 26, 2024
Hybrid Meeting

Commencement: 5:20 p.m.
Adjournment: 7:13 p.m.

PRESENT

P. Arora, M. Bellmore, E. Benoit, M. Lamarche, M. Signoretti, A. Thomson

REGRETS

F. Cormier, T. Laughren

STAFF

Brian Harding, CEO and Chief Librarian
Mette Kruger, Manager of Libraries and Heritage Resources
Colleen Burns, Administrative Co-ordinator of Library Services

GUESTS

n/a

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:20 p.m.

Chair thanked Councillor Sizer for his service and welcomed Councillor Benoit to the Board.

**LAND
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Greater Sudbury Public Library serves a community located on the lands of the Anishnawbek Peoples and within the territory of the Robinson Huron Treaty of 1850. This is the traditional territory of Atikameksheng Anishnawbek, the Wahnapiatae First Nation and the Sagamok First Nation. Greater Sudbury Public Library gratefully acknowledges these Indigenous Nations for their guardianship of this land.

**DECLARATIONS OF
CONFLICT OF INTEREST
AND GENERAL NATURE
THEREOF**

None declared

AGENDA

The following motion was presented:

2024-84 M. Lamarche / E. Benoit

THAT the agenda of the SIXTEENTH meeting of the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board, September 26, 2024, be approved as amended.

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

The following motion was presented:

2024-85 A. Thomson / M. Signoretti

THAT the Consent Agenda be approved

CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION

n/a

PRESENTATIONS

8.1 New Central Library Update (Brian Harding/Mette Kruger/Colleen Burns)

B. Harding, M. Kruger and C. Burns presented an update on the New Central Library / Cultural Hub project.

8.2 Organizational Review (Brian Harding)

B. Harding presented information about the organizational review following turnover in a Manager position. The change presented the opportunity to re-balance portfolios among the Admin Team.

8.3 Master Plan Update (Brian Harding)

B. Harding presented an update on the Master Plan process. The Master Plan is expected to be completed in early 2025. A Strategic Plan will follow from that work.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

9.1 2025 Budget Proposal

B. Harding presented the proposed Budget which was based on the draft approved by the Audit and Finance Committee in August but with some updated figures from the City.

The following motion was presented:

2024-86 P. Arora / A. Thomson

THAT the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board approve the proposed 2025 operating budget and direct the CEO/Chief Librarian to submit the approved budget estimates to the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury.

CARRIED

9.2 Members Motion – Constitutional and Procedural Bylaw Amendment

A. Thomson presented a Member's Motion proposing changes to the Constitutional and Procedural Bylaws.

The following motion was presented:

2024-87 A. Thomson / M. Lamarche

THAT the Constitutional and Procedural Bylaws be amended as presented.

CARRIED

9.3 Rescinding of K. Bowman's resignation from the Board

B. Harding spoke to the rescinding of K. Bowman's resignation. Since Kate was interested in returning, and the process had not moved beyond the Clerk's office, an opportunity presented itself to rescind the resignation.

The following motion was presented:

2024-88 A. Thomson / E. Benoit

THAT the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board rescind resolution 2024-56 which accepted the resignation of Kate Bowman from the Board

AND THAT the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board approve the remaining consent agenda items presented at the January 25, 2024 meeting. Specifically:

1. Minutes of the Tenth Meeting of the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board, December 21, 2023
2. Report – Monthly Financial Report – December 2023
3. Report – Monthly Usage Statistics Report – December 2023

CARRIED

REPORTS

10.1 Chair's Report (Michael Bellmore)

M. Bellmore shared an oral report with the Board.

10.2 CEO's Report (Brian Harding)

B. Harding shared written report with the Board.

10.3 Appointment of Chair of Audit and Finance Committee

The Board nominated Tannys Laughren as Chair of the Committee.

The following motion was presented:

2024-89 A. Thomson / P. Arora

THAT the Greater Sudbury Public Library appoint Tannys Laughren as Chair of the Audit and Finance Committee

CARRIED

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

11.1 New Sudbury Library Capital Renovation

B. Harding presented a written report updating the Board on the renovation work completed and that to come at the New Sudbury Public Library.

11.2 Report – 2024 Operational Plan Update

B. Harding provided a written report updating the Board on the status of projects in the 2024 Operational Plan.

11.3 Report – Executed CGS-GSPL Operating Agreement

B. Harding provided a written report on the execution of the CGS-GSPL Operating Agreement.

M. Bellmore reflected on the momentous nature of this accomplishment and thanked the CEO and Chief Librarian for his contribution to this achievement.

11.4 Report - Board Recruitment Update

B. Harding presented a written report describing the process involved in rescinding K. Bowman's resignation and welcoming Kate back to the Board.

CORRESPONDENCE

No items

OTHER BUSINESS

No items

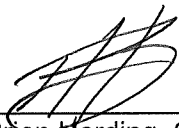
ADJOURNMENT

The following motion was presented:

2024-90 E. Benoit / M. Lamarche

THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 7:13 p.m.

CARRIED



Brian Harding, CEO



Michael Bellmore, Chair