

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

November 28, 2024
Virtual Meeting

Commencement: 5:16 p.m.
Adjournment: 6:27 p.m.

PRESENT

M. Bellmore, E. Benoit, K. Bowman, M. Lamarche, T. Laughren, M. Signoretti, A. Thomson

REGRETS

P. Arora

STAFF

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

GUESTS

n/a

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:16 p.m.

**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 Wahnapiitae 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:

2024-95 A. Thomson / K. Bowman

THAT the GSPL amend the agenda to include item 9.5 Recruitment under section 9. Items for Action.

CARRIED

The following motion was presented:

2024-96 T. Laughren / K. Bowman

THAT the agenda of the EIGHTEENTH meeting of the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board, November 28, 2024, be approved as amended.

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

The following motion was presented:

2024-97 A. Thomson / M. Lamarche

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 updated the Board about the detailed design process, the Cultural Hub Open House, and the City's decision to use a Construction Management model to proceed into the future phases of the project.

8.2 Long Term Plan Update (Brian Harding)

B. Harding provided an update on the Library's Long-Term Plan process including an overview of the engagement portion of the project which is nearly complete.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

9.1 2025 GSPL Board Meeting Schedule

A written report was shared with the Board. Since the Board now requires 7 meetings annually, the Committee schedules can occur during months of no Board meetings.

The following motion was presented:

2024-98 K. Bowman / T. Laughren

THAT the Board approve the 2025 Board Meeting Schedule as presented

CARRIED

9.2 2025 Schedule of Operations - Exceptions

A written report was shared with the Board reflecting the closure dates for the Greater Sudbury Public Library. Closure days are determined by the schedule of paid holidays and days of remembrance outlined in the CBA.

The following motion was presented:

2024-99 A. Thomson / E. Benoit

THAT the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board approve the 2025 Schedule of Operations - Exceptions as presented

CARRIED

9.3 2023 Consolidated Financial Statements / Audit

A written report was provided to the Board. In order to receive the Public Library Operating Grant, GSPL is required to submit audited financial statements. B. Harding will submit this document on behalf of the Board once approved.

The following motion was presented:

2024-100 M. Lamarche / T. Laughren

THAT the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board approve the 2023 Consolidated Financial Statements

CARRIED

9.4 Capreol Library and Citizen Service Centre Capital Planning

A written report was shared with the Board. CGS has requested a letter of support from GSPL to conduct a feasibility study to be undertaken in 2025 to assess the potential of the Capreol Millennium Centre as a possible location for a future library relocation.

The following motion was presented:

2024-101 E. Benoit / M. Signoretti

THAT the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board direct the CEO and Chief Librarian to communicate to the City of Greater Sudbury the Board's support for the City's proposed feasibility study for 9 Morin Street as well as the functional space review for the Millennium Resource Center

CARRIED

9.5 Board Recruitment

The Board referred the recruitment process to the Governance committee.

REPORTS

10.1 Chair's Report (Michael Bellmore)

No report

10.2 CEO's Report (Brian Harding)

A written report was shared with the Board. B. Harding shared that Laura Lavigne was successful in the recruitment for the Manager of Patron Experience. B. Harding also updated the Board on the near completion of the Point-of-Sale project, and the upcoming cash handling audit to be conducted by the Auditor General.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

11.1 Azilda Library CPTED Assessment

A written report was shared with the Board. B. Harding shared the Library's response to a series of incidents occurring over the past several months at the Azilda Library. GSPL is implementing many of the shorter-term recommendations of a recently completed CPTED study to increase safety and security at this location. Longer-term recommendations requiring capital investment are being proposed to CGS for consideration.

CORRESPONDENCE

No items

OTHER BUSINESS

No items

ADJOURNMENT

The following motion was presented:

2024-102 M. Signoretti / K. Bowman

THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 6:27 p.m.

CARRIED



Brian Harding, CEO



Michael Bellmore, Chair