



LDAG MEETING

October 13, 2016

4:00 pm

Terrace Public Library Board Room

MINUTES

Present: Tara Williston (Hazelton)
Sara Lewis (Houston)
Melanie Wilke (NWCC)
Joe Zelwietro (Prince Rupert)
Wendy Wright (Smithers)
David Tremblay (Terrace)
Lauren Wolf (NWLF)
Denise McGeachy (Libraries Branch)

Regrets: Virginia Charron (Kitimat)
Absent: Galina Durant (Stewart)

Chair: Melanie Wilke

Minutes: Lauren Wolf

1. Approval of the Agenda
The agenda was approved without changes (David/Joe)
2. Adoption of the Minutes of June 1, 2016
The minutes were adopted without changes (David/Wendy/carried)
3. Business Arising
 - a) Strategic Plan Review
The Plan was reviewed to refresh memories and support decision making during the meeting.
4. New Business
 - a) Financial Reports
The Q3 Balance Sheet and Income Statement were accepted for recommendation to the board (Wendy/David/carried)

The directors requested revisions to the Q3 Budget Report and 2017 Draft Budget before presentation to the board (David/Joe/carried)

Lauren will revise before the Board meeting on Saturday.

b) Director's Report

The Director's Report was received for information (David/Tara/carried)

c) 2017 Priorities

A general discussion was held to allow for questions and clarification on the options for 2017 training, events, and other funding. **Lauren** will send out a poll to directors to solicit top preferences; Lauren will report on costs and logistics for the November LDAG meeting and final decision.

d) Truth & Reconciliation event planning

Smithers: Substantial progress has been made in exploring partnership opportunities for a Reconciliation event in June 2017. The event would have two goals: to create a bridge-building, community-focused library event, and to build relationships within the community through partnerships. **Lauren** will resend Squamish event info to all directors and ask Reconciliation Canada whether they are willing to send more than one speaker to our area.

Prince Rupert: PRPL did an evening open to all to discuss the report. Few attendees, but it was a beginning to position the library in the process.

It is unlikely one NW tour will occur given the different stages each library/community will find themselves with both FN relationships as well as community partnership development. It was agreed that even if no event happens in any particular community, the process of building community partnerships yields ongoing benefits to the library in the future.

e) Libraries Branch Report (Denise McGeachy)

Denise reviewed the four pillars of the new provincial strategic plan: Connected communities; Professional development; Lasting, sustainable partnerships, and Enhanced governance. The plan, which will retire the previous iteration Libraries without Walls, will be released within the next month, with action items to follow. It is not intended to be prescriptive but instead to provide a framework for libraries in their own strategic plans and operations.

5. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm (Wendy)

Next LDAG meeting: November 2016 (TBD)

Next Board meeting: October 15, 2016