

## MINUTES FSJPLA Board Meeting Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at <u>5:30pm</u> Zoom Phone number: 1-877-385-4099 Participation Code: 9632825# Host Code:1335790#

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<b>Executive</b>	Trustees	<b>Appointed</b>	<u>Staff</u>	Delegates	<u>Guests</u>
Michael Bourcet – Chair & Area C Patron Rep	Warren "Dub" Craig	Sarah MacDougall – Municipal Representative	Matthew Rankin – Director / Board Secretary	N/A	N/A
Lyle Goldie – Treasurer	Dale Boissonneault		Tanya Boyd - Staff		

Absent Andy Ackerman – Vice Chair, Amber Harding

## 1. Call to Order: 5:31pm

# 2. Adoption of the Agenda (with Additions)

Motion: D. Boissoneault Seconded: S. MacDougall Result: Passed

## 3. Adoption of the Consent Agenda

3.1 Minutes of the January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Regular Meeting
3.2 Director's Report for February 2024
3.3 OHS Committee Meeting Minutes

3.3.1 February 2024

Motion: W. Craig
Seconded: D. Boissoneault
Result: Passed

- 4. Delegate: None.
- 5. Adoption of the Financial Report as presented (CIS February)

**5.1** Cashflow February 2024 **Motion:** S. MacDougall **Seconded:** W. Craig **Result:** Passed

#### 6. Old Business:

#### 6.1 FSJ 2024-2027 Fee for Service Submitted

**Discussion:** Matthew briefed the board on submission of \$470K budget request to Council for 2024 to 2027. This is a Fee for Service submission and will need to be approved by the council. As with the new PRRD Areas B and C agreement, there is a need for an annual presentation, but more to provide updates on what is happening at the library and how funds are being spent.

## 6.2 74th Library Birthday Celebration & Online Store

**Discussion:** Matthew posted the online store link on Facebook, last Friday. It runs until March 11th and was created in partnership with SJA Promos. Matthew is planning a 'Surprise Birthday Celebration' on Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> with cake for the public from 1-4pm.

#### 6.3 Year-End 2023 & Rescheduling AGM from April to May 2024

**Discussion:** Matthew will be away part of April 2024, and will be unavailable for the AGM. The Board discussed it, and ended up deciding on Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 @ 5:30pm as the new AGM date.

#### 6.4 Director Evaluation Update – February 2024

**Discussion:** Michael reminded the Board that the Director evaluation process is nearing its end with the employee reviews being completed this week. Updates to follow.

#### 6.5 Lease Negotiations Update

**Discussion:** Michael mentioned that negotiations are still on-going, with no current meeting planned, and the last meeting in January 2024. Updates are being provided to PLB and the City.

#### **6.6 Evening Hours Reconsideration**

**Discussion:** Matthew provided an update on the evening hours discussion. As a review, staff have mentioned a drop-off in people coming in from 5-6pm on Thursdays and Fridays, which might warrant a review. Board discussion centered around alternates to current hours, and the current time of year being cold and less accessible.

#### 7. New Business:

## 7.1 SRC Grant Applications

**Discussion:** Matthew wanted to recognize the hard work of our Vice-Chair Andy in developing and applying for Summer Reading Club 2024 grants, used to support rentals, program supplies, and equipment purchases.

#### 7.2 Arts Group Donation & New iPad Purchase

**Discussion:** FSJPL received a generous donation from Deb and the Accidental Art Group. In-lieu of group fees, Deb asked members to donate to a local non-profit/charity. Luckily, they chose the library. We received \$700.00 which went towards purchasing a new catalogue iPad for the front. Deb and the group are recognized with a sign.

### 7.3 PLGR 2023 Approval

**Discussion:** The PLGR is Provincial Public Library Report and "*provides an opportunity for libraries and federations to showcase their achievements throughout the year and demonstrate how they support provincial programs and priorities.*" Matthew sent a copy for Board review prior to the meeting and requires a motion to approve.

Motion to approve the 2023 FSJPL PLGR for submission to the Public Libraries Branch. Motion: L. Goldie Seconded: D. Boissoneault

Results: Passed

#### 7.4 FSJPLA-BCGEU Collective Agreement Negotiations

**Discussion:** Matthew updated the Board on the upcoming Collective Agreement negotiations, most likely happening in May to July 2024. The current agreement officially ends on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Elections for the BCGEU

#### 7.5 Upcoming Renewals

**Discussion:** Matthew updated the Board on upcoming renewals to Benefits – (March 2024) & Insurance (June 2024). Updates to follow.

## 7.6 Evacuation and Continuity Discussion

**Discussion:** Warren was interested in understanding how FSJPL will respond to a possible influx of library users from other surrounding communities in the event of forest fires and other climate-related emergencies in 2024. Matthew mentioned that there is already an on-going plan between him and staff to develop more concrete procedures for evacuations for the library and emergency operations but expanding it to include NELF and Provincial-level partners might be a good idea. Updates to follow.

IN CAMERA SESSION - None.

Adjournment: 6:37pm Motion: L. Goldie Seconded: W. Craig Result: Passed 8. Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @ 5:30pm