

# BOARD MINUTES

**BOARD MEETING:** #23-03

**DATE:** THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2023, 7:00 PM

**LOCATION:** DOWNTOWN – ANGUS ROSS MEETING ROOM

<b>Attendees:</b>	Austin Mitchell (Chair), Amy Courser (Councillor), John Bicknell, George Hawtin, Merrisa Little
<b>Library Staff:</b>	L. Jessop, C. Vanderkruys, J. Little, A. Schroeder, L. LaFleshe
<b>Regrets:</b>	Robin Munro, Michael Sauro (Vice-Chair), Nigussie Nigussie (Councillor)
<b>Note Taker:</b>	K. Bouffard

**1. Call to Order, Welcome and [Land Acknowledgment](#)**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm

**2. Confirmation of Agenda**

The agenda was confirmed.

**3. Conflicts of Interest**

No conflicts were declared.

**4. Delegations – None**

There were no delegations.

**5. [Board Development](#) – Trends in Intellectual Freedom Challenges**

L. Jessop provided highlights on trends in intellectual freedom and the role the Library Board plays in supporting this. The Urban Libraries Council Declaration of Democracy and the Library’s Foundational Principles will be reviewed at the next Board meeting.

**Consent Agenda**

**6. Board Meeting Minutes**

**7. CEO’s Report**

**8. Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) Liability Update (quarterly)**

**9. Correspondence – Budget Letter to Mayor and Council**

**10. Closed Meeting Board Meeting Minutes**

**11. Deferred Items**

- a. Financial Migration

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- b. CEWS Liability
- c. Succession Management Plan

## **Agenda**

### **12. Items held from the Consent Agenda**

Discussion on the Hub about the CEWS funding. It may not be appropriate at this time for this to be moved to Library Reserves. C. Vanderkruys will speak to City of Barrie Finance about interest on these funds.

**Motion #23-18            GEORGE HAWTIN -MERRISSA LITTLE**

**THAT** the Barrie Public Library Board adopts the consent agenda for Board meeting #23-03 dated Thursday, May 25, 2023. CARRIED

### **13. Flooring Closure**

The planned fix for the terrazzo flooring in the Downtown Lobby is not going to provide a long-lasting surface, so City Facilities is working with a contractor to find an alternative solution. The motion passed at meeting #23-02 will need to be amended.

**Motion #23-19            JOHN BICKNELL - GEORGE HAWTIN**

**THAT** the Barrie Public Library Board amend motion #23-12 “the Barrie Public Library Board approve the closure of the Downtown Library for up to five consecutive days in June 2023, including a one-day system-wide closure, with dates to be determined, to accommodate the lobby flooring project, and staff development activities.” to strike the words “in June 2023” and insert the words “to be scheduled to minimize the impact to the public.”. The amended motion will read “the Barrie Public Library Board approve the closure of the Downtown Library for up to five consecutive days, including a one-day system-wide closure, with dates to be determined, to accommodate the lobby flooring project, and staff development activities, to be scheduled to minimize the impact to the public.” CARRIED

### **14. Board Committees**

#### **14.1 Personnel & Finance**

Personnel & Finance will be meeting in June to review a few policies.

#### **14.2 Community & Governance**

##### **14.2.1 Announcements**

Ward 4 Spring celebration is this Saturday at Sunnidale Park, the Library will be there.

##### **14.2.2 Patron Conduct Policy**

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**Motion #23-20 AMY COURSER - MERISSA LITTLE**

**THAT** the Barrie Public Library Board approve revisions to the Patron Conduct Policy as recommended by the Personnel & Finance Committee, as amended. CARRIED

### **15. Report of the Chair – Verbal Report**

- The Board is still short one trustee, and City Clerk will present the previous applicants to Council in June, in hopes of selecting a new member for the September meeting
- The budget letter has been sent to Council, but has not gone into the circulation list yet
- The meeting surveys are sent out after the meetings, please post any comments and share any personal items directly with Lauren and/or Austin
- L. Jessop will keep the Board up to date on the One Community Solutions pilot project
- A motion regarding homelessness was passed by Council, and L. Jessop will provide us with any updates
- We will add “ONCA’s Impact on Public Libraries” to our deferred items
- We will add “Quarterly” to the CEWS Liability update in the deferred items list

### **16. Closed Meeting - None**

### **17. Date of Next Board Meeting**

Thursday, June 22, 2023 7:00 pm

### **18. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm