



# Library Board

Minutes - September 15, 2010

GODERICH, ONTARIO



## LIBRARY BOARD

Goderich, Ontario  
September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010

The Huron County Library Board met in the Court House Council Chambers, in Goderich. All members of the Board were present. Chair G. Robertson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

### **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof:**

There were no declarations of pecuniary conflict of interest stated.

### MOTION:

Moved by: Member D. Kelly and Seconded by: Member C. Heath:

### THAT:

The minutes of the Library Board meeting of August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010; be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

### **Board Member's Issues:**

Member Siemon referred to a *Huron Expositor* news article (August 25) about a recent talk by John Rafferty, the new President and CEO of the CNIB (Canadian Institute for the Blind). Mr. Rafferty pointed out inequities in service to persons with vision problems. This included the low numbers of audio books in public library collections. As a result persons with vision problems have free access to only a small percentage of the materials available to sighted persons. Member Siemon questioned how the Huron County Library is doing in terms of audio books.

Deputy County Librarian Sharon Cox advised that the audio cassettes and Talking Books (books on cassette reserved for the use of persons with disabilities) are no longer a popular format and are wearing out and can't be replaced. The Library has moved into audio CDs which can be used by everyone without restrictions. There is a large and growing collection of downloadable audio books that patrons can conveniently download from their home computers. There is a new partnership between the CNIB and the public libraries with more information to come to this Board in the future.

**5. Report of the County Librarian:**

In Beth Ross's absence Sharon Cox, Deputy County Librarian presented the Reports, for the information of the Board.

**5.1 Report for Information/Updating Purposes for July 2010:**

Shannon Kammerer, Information Services Librarian gave a demonstration on the electronic resources available at the Huron County Library, including the Library Catalogue, downloadable audiobooks, other reference resources and the new Facebook page.

There was a suggestion to have this presentation made to County Council some time in the future. Shannon Kammerer's presentation was very informative.

**5.2 Book Expenditure Report:**

The Book Expenditure and Outstanding Book Order Report for the period ending August 31<sup>st</sup>. 2010 which showed total purchases to date of \$284,105.00, with outstanding orders totalling \$66,464.00, leaving the approximate amount in the uncommitted book budget of \$127,591.00.

MOTION:

Moved by: Member J. Fergusson and Seconded by: Member N. Fairles:

THAT:

The Reports by the County Librarian entitled Report for Information/Updating Purposes for July, 2010 and the Book Expenditure Report; be received.

CARRIED

**5.3 Internet Services Policy:**

MOTION:

Moved by: Member B. Siemon and Seconded by: Member P. Chisholm:

THAT:

The Report prepared by Beth Ross entitled Internet Services Policy; be received.

CARRIED

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MOTION:

Moved by: Member B. Siemon and Seconded by: Member P. Chisholm:

THAT:

The recommendation of Beth Ross, County Librarian that the Internet Services Policy; be adopted;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Huron County Library Public Internet Access Policy, as revised January 2007; be rescinded;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Internet Services Policy; be attached to the minutes as Schedule "A".

CARRIED

**6. Accounts and Financial Statement:**

Accounts up to and including August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010 totaling \$15,488.51 were reviewed.

The financial statement for the period ending July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010 was reviewed.

	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
Library	165,971	192,861	1,509,124	1,531,399	1,343,153	1,338,538

MOTION:

Moved by: Member M. Demaray and Seconded by: Member N. Fairles:

THAT:

The accounts up to and including August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010 and the financial statement for the period ending July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010; be received.

CARRIED

**Next Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Library Board will be Wednesday October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in the Court House, Council Chambers, Goderich.

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**Adjournment:**

MOTION:

Moved by: Member P. Menzies and Seconded by: Member M. Demaray:

THAT:

The Library Board meeting adjourn at 9:43 a.m.

CARRIED

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Chair G. Robertson