

LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES

Hybrid Meeting
November 8, 2023

The Huron County Library Board met in a hybrid meeting setting on Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at 57 Napier Street in Goderich. All members of the Board were present.

1. Chair Harding to call the Huron County Library Board meeting to order:

Chair Harding called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Approval of Agenda:

Moved by: Member Zaleski and Seconded by: Member Wettlaufer

THAT:

The Library Board Agenda for November 8, 2023 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof:

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest stated.

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Moved by: Member Becker and Seconded by: Warden McNeil

THAT:

The minutes of the Huron County Library Board meeting of October 11, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Presentations: None.

6. Board Member Comments:

Warden McNeil highlighted the transformative role of libraries, emphasizing their evolution into community hubs—safe havens for both young individuals and adults. Recognizing their significance underscores the importance of their presence in our communities.

7. Reports of the County Librarian:

7.1. History of the Public Library Operating Grant (presented by Beth Rumble)

Moved by: Member Morton and Seconded by: Member Smith

THAT:

The Huron County Library Board receive the report by Beth Rumble, County Librarian, titled History of the Public Library Operating Grant, dated November 8, 2023 as presented for information.

CARRIED

7.2. Report on the State of Canadian Libraries (presented by Beth Rumble)

Moved by: Member Zaleski and Seconded by: Member Wettlaufer

THAT:

The Huron County Library Board received the report from Beth Rumble, County Librarian, dated November 8, 2023 and titled Report on the State of Canadian Libraries, as presented for information.

CARRIED

7.3. ARUPLO Guidelines (presented by Beth Rumble)

Moved by: Member Kester and Seconded by: Member Zaleski

THAT:

The Huron County Library Board accepts the report by Beth Rumble, County Librarian, dated November 8, 2023, titled ARUPLO Guidelines, as presented for information.

CARRIED

7.4. Ontario Library Association Super Conference 2024 (presented by Beth Rumble)

Moved by: Member Becker and Seconded by: Member Kester

THAT:

The Huron County Library Board accepts the report by Beth Rumble, County Librarian, dated November 8, 2023, titled Ontario Library Association Super Conference 2024, as presented for information.

CARRIED

County Librarian Rumble invited all interested Board members to contact staff if they wish to register for the conference.

7.5. Administration Monthly Updates - September 2023 (presented by Beth Rumble)

Moved by: Member Smith and Seconded by: Member Kester

THAT:

The Huron County Library Board receives the report from Beth Rumble, County Librarian, dated November 8, 2023, titled Monthly Update - September 2023, as presented for information.

CARRIED

8. Policy Review:

8.1. Donation Policy Update (presented by Beth Rumble)

Moved by: Member Zaleski and Seconded by: Member Becker

THAT:

The Huron County Library Board receives the report from Beth Rumble, County Librarian, dated November 8, 2023, titled Donation Policy Update, as presented for information;

AND FURTHER THAT:

The Huron County Library Board approves the Donation Policy as outlined.

CARRIED

9. Correspondence: None.

10. Financial Statements:

10.1. Financial Statements (presented by Lisa Harvey)

Moved by: Member Morton and Seconded by: Member Wettlaufer

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The draft financial statements for the month ending September 30, 2023 be received.
CARRIED

11. Closed to the Public Session: None.

12. Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Huron County Library Board will be on Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 9:00 AM.

13. Adjournment:

Prior to concluding the meeting, Board members engaged in a discussion pertaining to organizing events and enhancing exposure by extending invitations to other government officials.

Moved by: Member Becker and Seconded by: Member Smith

THAT:

The Huron County Library Board requests a staff report on a strategy to invite the local MPP and MP into Huron County Libraries.

CARRIED

Moved by: Member Morton and Seconded by: Member Zaleski

THAT:

The Huron County Library Board meeting adjourn at 9:50 AM.

CARRIED

Chair Doug Harding