

**MINUTES OF THE
TEMISKAMING SHORES PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
Thursday, January 21, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the New Liskeard Branch**

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Chair R. Oblin at 7:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call:**
C. Locke, R. Oblin, C. dePencier, D. Hemingway, E. Huff, B. Morissette, M. McArthur, and CEO/Head Librarian R. Hunt.

Regrets: T. McGrory

3. **Adoption of the Agenda:**
Motion to adopt the agenda as amended.
Moved by: D. Hemingway
Seconded by: C. dePencier
Carried

4. **Move agenda item: Labour Relations to top of agenda:**
Board member D. Hemingway commented that he agreed with the email sent by R. Oblin to Mayor and Council on Tuesday, January 5, regarding the city employees' union vote. Other board members seconded his position. M. McArthur brought the board up to date on the municipal workers efforts to unionize. After discussion asserting the Library Board as library staff employer, and in order to clarify its position to the City the following motion was tabled:
Motion #2010-01: Be it resolved that the Temiskaming Shores Public Library Board as the employer of the staff of the library respects the right of its employees to vote on the union certification held on January 5th, 2010 in which the employees participated.
Moved by: C. dePencier
Seconded: D. Hemingway
M. McArthur asked for a recorded vote. The votes in favour were:
M. McArthur, B. Morissette, E. Huff, D. Hemingway, C. dePencier, R. Oblin, C. Locke.
Opposed: none
Carried.

5. **Adoption of the Minutes:**
Motion that the Minutes of the December 17, 2009 meeting be accepted as amended.
Moved by: C. dePencier
Seconded by: B. Morissette
Carried.

6. **Business arising from Minutes:**
 - a. E. Huff inquired about the letter to the Globe and Mail regarding their prices. The CEO has not yet sent the letter but will shortly.

7. **Correspondence:**

- a. From city Re Cleaning contracts: A. dePencier continues her contract cleaning the Haileybury Branch.
- b. From city Re Cleaning contracts: S. Antila is not returning to the New Liskeard Branch. Cleaning is being done by C. Whitehead until the contract is filled.
- c. Trustee e-talk vol. 4.
- d. Trustee e-talk vol. 5.
- e. FOPL: statistics on how public libraries contribute to communities
- f. OLS-North: Electoral list. Members of the board inquired if they were eligible to vote when the seat in our jurisdiction is acclaimed.
- g. Ministry of Culture: changes to the Libraries Act. There will be some minor changes regarding the mandatory audit and the scheduling of board meetings.
- h. OLS-North Awards of Excellence: OLS-North is looking for nominations for the awards.

8. Secretary –Treasurer’s Report:

Report and monthly balance and expenditures included in the trustees’ information packet

- R. Hunt has been asked to take part in a focus group on Library Collaborative Program Models, in Toronto in early February. The Ontario Library Service will cover expenses for the trip.
Motion #2010-02: That the Temiskaming Shores Public Library Board send Library CEO Rebecca Hunt to the Focus Group sessions on February 5, 2010 with the understanding that all expenses are to be paid by the Ontario Library Services.
Moved by: E. Huff
Seconded: C. Locke
Carried.
- Fire safety inspection at the Haileybury Branch on Jan. 29: All items except one from the previous inspection were corrected.
- The Northern Lights Library Network was successful in the IT Support Position grant application.
- The furnace and two computers were repaired at the New Liskeard Branch.

8. Committee Reports:

**Finance and Property Committee
Planning/Publicity/Personnel**

9. New Business:

- a. **Report LIB-001-2010 CAP purchases:** CAP funding was approved at the same levels as last year. The CEO would like to purchase computers from Tamarack and software from Techsoup.ca.
Motion #2010-03: That the Temiskaming Shores Public Library Board purchases the recommended number and type of computers, printers and software from the vendors recommended in report LIB-001-2010 for the 2009-2010 CAP program grant.
Moved by: D. Hemingway
Seconded: C. dePencier

Carried.

- b. Report LIB-002-2010 Support for Knowledge Ontario programs.** The board reviewed and accepted the report and made a motion to write a letter of support. **Motion #2010-04:** That the Temiskaming Shores Public Library Board i) values the programs delivered by Knowledge Ontario, ii) supports Knowledge Ontario's request for sustainable funding from the provincial government, and iii) will send a letter to the Minister of Culture emphasizing these points.

Moved by: E. Huff

Seconded: D. Hemingway

Carried.

- c. Report LIB-003-2010 Amended Library 2010 Operating Budget:** The board reviewed the report and made a motion to adopt the revised budget.

Motion #2010-05: Be it resolved that the Temiskaming Shores Public Library Board adopts the 2010 Library Operating Budget as amended.

Moved by: D. Hemingway

Seconded: C. dePencier

Carried.

10. Policy Review:

- a. Board and Council Roles and Responsibilities--Review**

11. Plan Review

12. Adjournment -- Motion to adjourn: D. Hemingway at 9:00 p.m.

Roger Oblin, Chair

Charles dePencier, Recording Secretary