

COUNTY OF ST. PAUL NO. 19

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING & LIBRARY BOARD TOUR

MINUTES – MAY 24, 2007

Members Present:

**Irene Van Brabant (Chairperson), Maxine Fodness, Alphonse Corbiere, Lori Nelson, Lorna Conner, Betty Way (Recording Secretary).
Regrets: Lois Bouchard , Millie Orr**

At 8:50 a.m. Board Members departed from the County Office, on route to the Lafond Library.

At 9:10 a.m., Members arrived at the Lafond Public Library and were greeted by Librarian, Ramona Logozar. Pleasing comments were heard from Members as they were given the grand tour of the Library. Ramona commented on operations of the Library and a number of projects planned.

Members left Lafond Library at 10:20 a.m., journeying to the Elk Point Municipal Library, arriving at 11:00 a.m. There Daphne Schnurer, Librarian greeted us commenting that the Library is open twenty-six hours per week. Daphne informed Members that the Library has been approved for two seven week STEP positions and presently one high school girl will be hired at \$9.00/hr.

Members commented on the wonderfully constructed book shelf rolling unit displays, ordered through Mowen Woodworks.

Members were briefed in on a number of happenings with the Library. It was then on to a tour of the C.O.W. Bus, which so happened to be at the Library. Members were impressed with the Classroom on Wheels, which spent the day entertaining children and their parents. Members left the Library at 12:00 p.m.

At 12:00 p.m., lunch was served at the Empress Restaurant.

Next stop – Mallaig Library.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

At 1:20 p.m., Irene Van Brabant called the meeting to order.

a. Additions to Agenda – No additions were made.

2. **MINUTES OF MARCH 12, 2007 MEETING:**

Minutes of the March 12, 2007 meeting was distributed to Members.

Alphonse Corbiere moved that these Minutes be approved as circulated. **Carried.**

3. **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Betty Way gave overview of Treasurer's Report. Bank balance to May 9, 2007 - \$5,029.26.

Maxine Fodness moved to accept Treasurer's Report as presented. **Carried.**

4. **N.L.L.S. REPORT:**

Maxine Fodness informed Members of some brief happenings surrounding Northern Lights Library System. Members glanced through N.L.L.S. Board Briefs newsletter.

5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

a. **Service Agreements – St. Paul & Elk Point Municipal Libraries:**
Members were informed that Service Agreements have been mailed out.

b. **Audited Statement of Receipts and Disbursements:**
Along with the Library Operating Grant Application, all is finalized and has been mailed to Alberta Community Development.

At 2:00 p.m., Board Members arrived at the Mallaig Library and were later greeted by Librarian, Anne Marie Amyotte and Louise Jodoin. A number of questions were answered as Members toured the Library, enjoying the sights and sounds as students made use of their time.

The Library Tour Van then headed west to the Ashmont Community Library, where Librarian, Karen Duperron welcomed Members at 3:20 p.m. The spacious Library boasted many wonderful displays and interesting reading material. Karen appeared quite content in the surroundings of her Library and commented on a number of happenings.

At 4:00 p.m., Members left Ashmont, on route to the St. Paul Municipal Library.

6. **NEW BUSINESS:**

a. **Ashmont Library – Request for Change of Hours:**

Karen Duperron requested that a change of hours occur from her scheduled time of 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday to 3:30 – 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday to better serve the needs of the public.

Lori Nelson moved that the Ashmont Library change hours on Wednesdays to a new time of 3:30 – 6:30 p.m. **Carried.**

b. **Elk Point Municipal Library – 50th Anniversary, May 30/07:**

Members who are able, will plan to be in attendance.

c. **St. Paul Municipal Library -ALTA Award of Excellence 2007,June 18/07:**

Members will also plan to be in attendance as the St. Paul Municipal Library accepts their Award of Excellence.

d. **N.L.L.S. Annual Conference, September 20-22/07:**

Registrations will be forwarded for interested Members.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Members briefed through handouts of the N.L.L.S. Board Briefs and the Trustee Voice.

8. **NEXT MEETING:**

Scheduled for June 11, 2007 – 7:00 p.m. at which time the Elk Point Municipal Library Board has agreed to meet with our Board.

At 4:20 p.m., Members arrived at the St. Paul Municipal Library where Librarian, Carmen Lefebvre greeted Members to a tour of the Library and sat to enjoy her hospitality along with a special tea and snacks.

9. **ADJOURNMENT:**

At 4:50 p.m., Alphonse Corbiere moved that the meeting be adjourned. **Carried.**

Date

Chairperson