

# Board Briefs

SEPTEMBER 2014

## Northern Lights Library System Mission Statement Fostering Excellent Library Service in Northeastern Alberta

### Northern Lights Library System Board Meeting Highlights March 1, 2014



#### Plaque Unveiling

- Patricia McNamee was asked to the meeting as the first Chairman of NLLS. A plaque unveiling took place with the portrait of Pat McNamee hanging on the wall in the board room.

#### Financial Report

- Brigitte went over the financial reports and answered any questions that arose. As of July 31, 2014. There is 37% of the book allotment that has been encumbered but not expensed. E-books there will be an additional \$10000.00 spent. Telecommunications – had to purchase new cell phones for the vans which will result in that line going over budget.

**2014/09/06-03 Motion to approve the financial report as presented  
Dallas Degenhardt - carried**

#### 2015 Draft Budget

- Brigitte read through the budget and answered any questions that arose. Author tour or speaker or writer in residence would cost \$10,500. The board members felt that this was not an essential service and would like to have it removed from the budget.
- A question was brought forward regarding the parking lot having a lifespan of 10 years.
- Total expenses \$2,807,302.00. Total revenues \$2,798,186. Looking at a 4.35% increase or cost per capita \$5.11 with municipalities with a library board or \$10.22 for municipalities without a library board.

**2014/09/06-04 Motion to remove the author talk from the 2015 draft budget  
Stephen Dafoe – 4 opposed – carried.**

**2014/09/06-05 Motion to have the Executive revisit the schedule for NLLS assets  
Pat Gordeyko – carried.**

**2014/09/06-06 Motion to present the 2015 draft budget with the amendment to present to councils  
Dallas Degenhardt - carried**

#### Policy

- Policy #5 change policy name to Board Member Responsibilities  
**2014/09/06-07 Motion to change name of policy 5 to Board Member Responsibilities  
Ted Wilkinson – carried**
- Policy 13 has social media added as 13.2.  
**2014/09/06-08 Motion to add 13.2 to the policy manual  
Larry Tiedemann – carried.**

#### NLLS Annual Conference

- 140 registrants. Deadline to register is Sept 8. Ben Crane is the guest speaker on Thursday. Conference is now 2 days instead of 2.5 days

#### Present

Barr, Greg - Town of Vermilion  
Berry, David - Town of Vegreville  
Boe, Vanessa - Village of Mannville  
Brown, Cathy - Town of Tofield  
Cheverie, Jim - Town of Bonnyville  
Clarke, Donna - Town of Mundare  
Dafoe, Stephen - Town of Morinville  
Degenhardt, Dallas - Village of Edgerton  
Dorosh, Les - Town of Redwater  
Frank, Daryl - Village of Kitscoty  
Gordeyko, Pat - County of Two Hills  
Green, Joan - Village of Irma  
Grumetza, Kevin – Thorhild County  
Hanson, Arnold - Beaver County  
Huot, Ray - Village of Waskatenau  
Konieczny, Roger - County of Minburn  
Kuntz, Doyle - Village of Minburn  
Lefebvre, Vicky - City of Cold Lake  
Lukinuk, Craig - Smoky Lake County  
MacGreggor, Trish - Town of Wainwright  
Marko, Bernie - Village of Holden  
McMann, Debbie - Village of Innisfree  
Parkyn, Roger - Village of Marwayne  
Pocock, Lorna - Town of Bon Accord  
Presley, Peter - Village of Ryley  
Ross, Dianne - Town of Smoky Lake  
Rudolf, Donna - Village of Myrnam  
Schafer, Steven - Town of Athabasca  
Smith, Ina - S.V. of Pelican Narrows  
Tiedemann, Larry - S.V. Mewatha Beach  
Tung, Parrish - Town of Elk Point  
Padlesky, Don—Town of St. Paul  
Wiebe, Dwight - Town of St. Paul  
Wilkinson, Ted - M.D. of Wainwright

#### Regrets

Austin, Wanda - Lac La Biche County  
Bokenfohr, Wayne - Sturgeon County  
Dach, Dwight - County of St. Paul

#### Absent

Antal, Mike - Village of Boyle  
Arnold, Mary - Village of Paradise Valley  
Bancroft, Garth - S.V. Island Lake South,  
Whispering Hills  
Barry, Frank - Village of Vilna  
Dowhaluk, Jack - County of Athabasca  
Gramlich, Val - Village of Chauvin  
Hartl, Travis - Town of Viking  
Hryciuk, Stacey - County of Vermilion  
River  
Krywiak, Mike - M. D. of Bonnyville  
Malica, Robert – Lamont County  
Melnick, Jillian - Town of Bruderheim  
Saskiw, Gerrin - Town of Two Hills  
Tomaszyk, Ed - S.V. of Bondiss, Sunset  
Beach  
Woodger, Jean - Town of Gibbons  
Yontz, Bob - S.V. of Island Lake

## Board Meeting Highlights (continued)

### ALTA Report

- ALTA met with Diana Davidson and would like to have her attend the November Board meeting to talk about changes taking place. The ALTA chair will be here doing a session at NLLS Conference.

**2014/09/06-09 Motion to approve the ALTA Report as presented  
Parrish Tung - carried**

### Library Managers Advisory Council

- Book allotment committee will have to meet to discuss an increase in outside purchases to 40%. NLLS is looking at the disc repair machine which will reduce costs at the libraries.

**2014/09/06-10 Motion to approve the Library Managers Advisory Council report  
Peter Presley - carried**

### Public Library Services Branch Report

- Ken Allan is the first point of contact for NLLS and member libraries. ME libraries program implemented in October will be distributing promotional kits for ME libraries. Board basics workshops as part of the NLLS conference – October 4 in Bon Accord. Two new people have been hired. Kim Johnson is the new Library Network Consultant – Resource sharing. She will be looking after resource sharing initiatives such as ME Libraries, ILL administration and delivery. Katrina Borowski is the new Library Network Consultant – Infrastructure and will be working in the areas of E-content licensing and network infrastructure (Supernet administration)

**2014/09/06-11 Motion to approve the AB libraries branch report  
Les Dorosh – carried.**

### Chairman's Report

- Did some work with the rural services grant meeting.
- Met with various MLAs to discuss funding for libraries.
- Attended leadership forums – there are lots that don't know about libraries
- Attended the conference in Jasper. There are lots of ideas and networking
- Don't forget to attend the NLLS conference

**2014/09/06-12 Motion to approve the Chairman's report  
Pat Gordeyko - carried.**

### 2014 Board Meeting Dates:

*March 1, 2014—2013 Audit  
September 6, 2014—Draft Budget  
November 1, 2014  
(Regular Board Meeting  
& Annual General Meeting )  
immediately following)*

### Directors Report

- Mircea went over the summary of his report that were in the packages.
- Three new staff members, Jane Fisher, Consultant in Public Services, Wei Xuan, Consultant in Information Technologies and Darby Mackay, Cataloguer in Bibliographic Services
- Village of Waskatenau should be opening their library at their new location towards the end of September.
- TRAC will be introducing a new plastic library card, which should appear later in the fall.
- NLLS will be creating a Facebook page and it should be up within the month
- 25% of NLLS libraries are school housed

**2014/09/06-13 Motion to approve the Director's report  
Dallas Degenhardt – carried**

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