

Georgina Public Library Board
Regular Board Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m.

Zoom

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:02 p.m.

2. First Nations Acknowledgement Statement

“Georgina Public Library recognizes and acknowledges that we are on lands originally used and occupied by the First Peoples of the Williams Treaties First Nations and other Indigenous Peoples, and we would like to thank them for sharing this land. We would also like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our close neighbour and friend, one with which we strive to build a cooperative and respectful relationship. We also recognize the unique relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory. They are the water protectors and environmental stewards of these lands and we join them in these responsibilities.”

3. Roll Call

The following Board Members were present:

Bobbi Sabatini, Chair
Nancy Rodrigues, Vice-Chair
Rita Beechey
Leslie Johnstone
Madalyn Calzavara
Councillor Dave Neeson (arrived late)

The following Board members were absent:

Amalee Lavigne
Regional Councillor Naomi Davison

The following staff members were in attendance:

Valerie Stevens, *Director of Library Services/CEO*
Serena Hamlyn, *Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)*

Ruth Berry, *eServices Library Technician*
Michele Reynolds, *CUPE 905.13 Representative*

4. Introduction of Addendum Items

5. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Leslie Johnstone, Seconded by Rita Beechey

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2023-055

That the Georgina Public Library Board meeting Agenda of May 18, 2023 be approved as presented

Carried.

6. Announcements – None

7. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest – None

8. Adoption of the Past Minutes – April 20, 2023 Board meeting minutes

Moved by Madalyn Calzavara, Seconded by Leslie Johnstone

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2023-056

That the minutes of the April 20, 2023 Board meeting be adopted as amended

Carried.

9. Delegations/Speakers – None

10. Presentations

- a. Library Strategic Plan language (V. Stevens & S. Kraus)

(D. Neeson arrived)

The CEO and S. Kraus, *Director of Training and Consulting* for Ontario Library Service, presented a draft of the Library's Strategic Plan language.

Moved by Nancy Rodrigues, Seconded by Madalyn Calzavara

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2023-057

That the Library Strategic Plan concept be adopted as amended with the length of time from 2023 to 2027 and that staff move forward with hiring a graphic design consultant pending adoption of the final plan with grammatical elements

Carried.

11. Consent Agenda

- a. Branch Report
- b. Work Plan Update
- c. Financial Statement – April 2023
- d. Media Scan

Moved by Rita Beechey, Seconded by Leslie Johnstone

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2023-058

That Item 11 – Consent Agenda be received as circulated

Carried.

12. Verbal Communications

a. CEO update (V. Stevens)

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

- On May 12, the Library CEO participated in filming for an upcoming MURC promotional video being produced by the Town. The video will be shared through a variety of Town and Library channels.
- June 9 at 4pm there will be a Pride Flag Raising at the Civic Centre. All are welcome.
- June 3 from 10am to 1pm at the Keswick Branch we are hosting a Drag Queen Storytime in partnership with Georgina Pride, featuring the Haus of Deveraux.

SPACES

- The opening of the Teen Area in Keswick on May 5 went well; thank you to the Board members who were able to stop by.
- MURC update as of May 3, 2023:
 - the roof is nearing completion, siding is progressing well, and masonry is complete
 - overall at 67% completion
 - continue to forecast opening in Q1 2024
 - currently finalizing both interior and exterior furniture procurement

PEOPLE & LEADERSHIP

- Becky George, Manager of Library eServices, attended the 2023 COSUGI virtual conference

COLLECTIONS & PROGRAMS

- GPL's first Ukuleles Unplugged event on April 22 attracted 74 attendees

TECHNOLOGY

- Nothing to report

MISCELLANEOUS

- Regional Review: Provincial press release today about dissolution of Peel Region, and that the Province will be appointing facilitators to examine York, Simcoe, Durham, Halton and Niagara Regions.
- 2024 Budget: Town Finance Department plans to host an information session for the public giving an overview of the budget process; timing is still TBD
- Save the Date: OLS Virtual Conference for Board: evening of September 28 (approx. 6:30-

9:00pm)-Theme is Equilibrium

- Annual Institute on the Library as Place: July 5-6 at Hamilton Central Library. Theme: Designing Sustainable and Resilient Libraries in Accelerating Times. Register before June 4 for early-bird rates (\$250 vs \$290)

b. Board Chair update (B. Sabatini)

- Discussion

The Board Chair verbal update was introduced to the agenda during the last term. The Chair asked if the Board would like to leave this item on the agenda or add it to the agenda as required. The Board agreed it would be best to leave the Board Chair verbal update as a standing item on the agenda, if there is nothing to report, to simply state that in the meeting.

c. Friends of the Library update (R. Beechey)

- The Grate Groan-up Spelling Bee is coming up on the 2nd of June
 - M. Calzavara, R. Beechey, and A. Lavigne will be on the Library Board team
 - The Friends are in the process of collecting items for the silent auction
 - You can show your support by purchasing tickets to the event at any of the three Georgina Public Library branches

Moved by Nancy Rodrigues, Seconded by Dave Neeson

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2023-059

That items 12 a., b., and c. Verbal Communications be received as presented

Carried.

13. Old Business

- a. Overview of Financial Statement (V. Stevens)

The CEO gave an overview of how to read the Financial Statement that is included in the monthly Board meeting packages. Board members were invited to ask any questions they may have.

14. New Business

- a. Policy Review: Director/CEO Evaluation

Moved by Nancy Rodrigues, Seconded by Dave Neeson

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2023-060

That the Director/CEO Policy be accepted as amended

Carried.

- b. CEO Performance Evaluation Committee

Moved by Madalyn Calzavara, Seconded by Leslie Johnstone

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2023-061

That the Director/CEO Performance Evaluation Committee consist of:

Bobbi Sabatini
Nancy Rodrigues
Dave Neeson

Carried.

- c. Library Board Bank Account signing authority

Moved by Madalyn Calzavara, Seconded by Dave Neeson

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2023-062

That the Georgina Public Library Board authorizes that the signing authorities for their bank account to receive and disburse library revenues be updated to: Bobbi Sabatini, Board Chair; Nancy Rodrigues, Board Vice-Chair; and Valerie Stevens, Director of Library Services/CEO. Further, that two of the three signing authorities for said bank account be required for all transactions.

Carried.

d. Annual Institute on Library As Place

The CEO and Board Chair asked that any Board members interested in attending the Annual Institute on Library as Place conference taking place on July 5th and 6th send an email the CEO and Board Chair to express that interest. If no Board members express interest, the opportunity to attend will be extended to a staff member.

e. Branch & CYS Report structure discussion

The CEO and Board members discussed having the CYS and Branch Reports merged together going forward, rather than completing two separate reports.

15. Other Business

R. Beechey praised the two press releases included in the Board package

16. Closed Session - None

Motion to move into Closed Session

Motion to reconvene into Open Session

17. Next Meeting Date /Time

June 15, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m. - Zoom

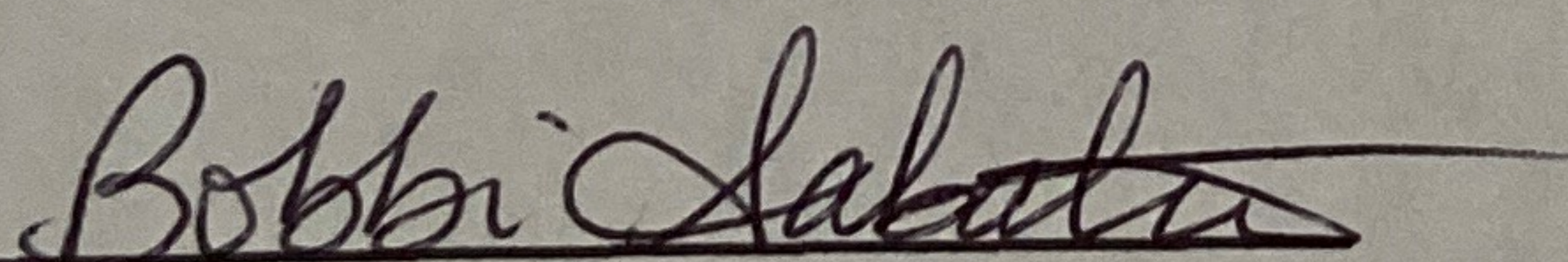
18. Adjournment

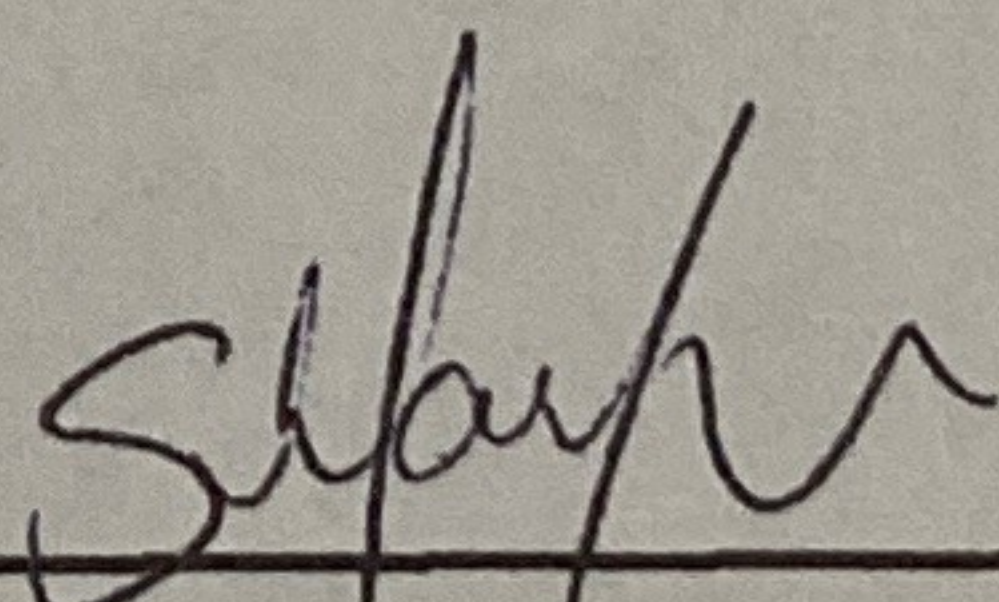
Moved by Rita Beechey, Seconded by Dave Neeson

RESOLUTION NO. GLB-2023-063

That the Georgina Public Library Board meeting of May 18, 2023 adjourn at 8:42 p.m.

Carried.


Board Chair


Recording Secretary