

**MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE
CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

March 13, 2012
Main Branch

Commencement: 3:30 p.m.
Adjournment: 5:44 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillor Craig; M. Lajeunesse; H. Piironen; M. Signoretti;
P. Stopciati;

REGRETS

Councillor Cimino; M. Krüger; C. Derrenbacker;

CITY STAFF

R. Henderson, Director of Citizen Services; C. Zuliani, Manager of
Heritage and Library Resources; R. Clouthier, Manager of Citizen
Services; D. Kennedy, Administrative Assistant

**DECLARATIONS OF
PECUNIARY INTEREST
AND GENERAL NATURE
THEREOF**

None declared

MARTIN LAJEUNESSE IN THE CHAIR

MINUTES

The following motion was presented:

2012-30 Piironen/Signoretti
THAT the minutes of the Tenth Meeting of the Greater Sudbury
Public Library Board held on January 24, 2012, be adopted.

CARRIED

The Chair requested consensus from the board members to
amend the resolution regarding the Downtown Master Plan. He
explained that his amendment did not change the intent of the
motion; but, only changed a few words. The board members
unanimously concurred to amend the resolution and agreed to
deal with the matter after the presentation section of the agenda.

PRESENTATIONS

Electronic Presentation 2010 Ontario Performance Measures for
Libraries – Sue McCullough
Quality and Performance Initiatives Coordinator

Ms. McCullough distributed two (2) handouts to the board
members regarding the Ontario Municipal CAOs benchmarking
Initiative. Her presentation explained how the OMBI data-set
helps to show where the CGS Public Library stands compared to
its peers in delivering library services and also, where it might go
to enhance those services. A question and answer period took
place throughout the discussion.

The Chair thanked Ms. McCullough for the informative presentation.

The following motion was presented:

2012-31 Piironen/Signoretti

THAT resolution 2012-28 has been amended to read as follows:

That the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board endorse the Downtown Master Plan and that further it is recommended that the plan be amended to include an exploration of the viability of a new main library and that it be included in the Plan's list of 20 items to move the plan forward.

CARRIED

REPORTS

South Branch Update

The Director presented a slide show of photographs on the progress of the South End Community Library project. He informed the board members that the library project is proceeding on schedule. Board members agreed that the April 17th meeting would include a tour of the project. The Manager of Libraries and Heritage Resources outlined to the board members plans for the upcoming fundraising events that included a media launch. She also distributed material to the board for soliciting business and public donations.

Meeting Rooms Policy

Report from the Director of Citizen Services dated February 17, 2012, regarding the Greater Sudbury Public Library Meeting Room, Display Case and Equipment Policy and Meeting Room Contract Review was received.

The Director reviewed the report with the board members stating that the report was presented for discussion. He described a number of contentious situations where the staff had difficulty in deciding who was allowed to book the library meeting rooms. The Manager of Libraries and Heritage Resources stated that the policy required language to allow staff discretion when taking bookings for the meeting rooms from organizations and the public. She added that the policy review would also provide an opportunity to review rates for use of library equipment.

The Chair suggested that it would be beneficial to the board members in their review of the policy to have local hotel meeting room rates and a copy of a typical month of library meeting room rentals available to assist them in the review. Staff agreed to have this material available for the board's reference.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Chair inquired as to the status of the New Sudbury History Committee request regarding the New Sudbury meeting room. The Director indicated to the board members that staff had

attended a meeting with the group and they had agreed to a partnership with the library. The Manager explained to the board members that the group's meetings would be a sponsored library event, open to the public and publicized by the library.

The Board received a request from board member Mette Krüger who is presently on a maternity leave, requesting a temporary leave of absence from her board duties. The board members discussed that matter and the following resolution was presented:

2012-32 Stopciati/Craig

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury Public Library Board authorize a temporary leave from Library Board duties to Mette Krüger from March 2012 to January 2013.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

The Chair stated that a report from the Director regarding the Library Reserve Fund would be addressed in new business. Board members concurred.

Report from the Director of Citizen Services dated March 13, 2012, regarding the South End Library Redevelopment Project was received.

The Director reviewed the report with the board members advising that the Friends of the Greater Sudbury Public Library had committed to raise funds to support the purchase of new equipment and furnishings for the new South Branch library; but, that the campaign was not expected to pick up momentum until April. The report requested that for this reason, staff was asking the board to consider drawing \$100,000 from the Library reserve fund toward the purchase of furniture and equipment for the new library. He advised that this year the total Library reserve account total was \$150,000. If approved, the motion would require Council approval at their April 17th meeting.

There was discussion by the board members on various options of purchasing the furnishings and how much would come from the reserve fund as the board wanted to ensure there were adequate and appropriate furnishings for the new branch.

Board member M. Signoretti initiated a discussion on the option of leasing furnishings. The Board members discussed the feasibility of purchasing or leasing the furniture.

Board member M. Signoretti declared a conflict of interest as his company may have an interest in bidding on the lease of furnishings. Having declared a conflict the member refrained from voting on the motion.

2012-33 Piironen/Stopciati

THAT the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board allocate \$100,000 from the Library Reserves Fund toward the purchase of new furniture and equipment for the South End Library Redevelopment Project.

CARRIED

The Director distributed the Strategic Plan for the Library and invited the board members to the March 27th Council meeting when the plan would be presented.

ADJOURNMENT

The following motion was presented:

2012-34 Signoretti/Piironen

THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 17:44 p.m.

CARRIED

Ron Henderson, Secretary

Martin Lajeunesse, Chair