

BRACEBRIDGE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 7 pm
Bracebridge Library, Lyle & Margaret Cathcart Boardroom

MINUTES

Vision: *An engaged, informed, inclusive and inspired community that is anything but the ordinary.*

Mission: *To enrich, empower and inspire our community.*

Present: B. Hutchinson, A. King, C. Robinson, B. Hutchinson, L. Boucher, D. Smith, E. Brown, C. Bergstrom (CEO)

Regrets:

1. Call to order by the Chair, B. Hutchinson, at 7:02pm.

2. Land Acknowledgement – B. Hutchinson

“We would like to begin by acknowledging that the Bracebridge Library is on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe – specifically the Ojibway, the Chippewa, and the Algonquin peoples. This land was a part of the 1923 Williams Treaties. We recognize and appreciate the historic and present contributions that First Nations, Metis, and Inuit people have made to our town and our country. We challenge everyone here today to seek out knowledge and take actions toward real truth and reconciliation in support of our commitment to wellness for all, and to walking the path together in respect, peace, and harmony for future generations.”

3. Approval of the agenda

Motion to approve the agenda.

Moved by: D. Smith Seconded: J. Wolochatiuk CARRIED

4. Guests & Delegations – none

5. Consent agenda

5.1 Approval of the Amended Minutes of the September 2024 Meeting

5.2 Ad hoc/Standing Committee Reports - none

5.3 Board Chair Report - attached

5.4 OLS Trustee Report – none

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved by: A. King Seconded: C. Robinson CARRIED

6 Board Professional Development/Education – Tour training
C. Bergstrom provided Board members with a document outlining the various rooms in the new Library, names of sponsors, highlights of each room and Library Board t-shirts for the grand opening.

- 7 New Business - none
- 8 Business arising
 - 8.1 Strat Plan Working Group Update – Board members discussed next steps and potential meet dates to review the Strategic Plan.
 - 8.2 Committee Membership – D. Smith reported back that as a Council Representative he is still able to participate on Board committees and working groups as needed. All Committees will be reviewed and membership may be adjusted to ensure all areas are covered and all Board members have a place to participate in committee work.
- 9 Library Expansion: The Library officially opened at 10am the morning of the Board meeting. Between 10am and 6pm just over 3000 people had come through the new Library. A few issues were noted, with public access computers still not being available for patron use, including printing and scanning functions. C. Bergstrom and D. Smith to meet should any additional support be needed in relation to getting the Library technology up and running.
- 10 Fundraising Update: The Library staff will reconvene the fundraising committee in the New Year after getting settled in the new building.
- 11 Correspondence - none
- 12 CEO Report – C. Bergstrom reviewed the previously supplied CEO report, highlighting the coming murder mystery event on Friday November 1st.
- 13 Financial Committee Report – The Board reviewed the updated draft 2025 Bracebridge Library budget.

Motion to approve the updated draft 2025 Bracebridge Library budget.
Moved by: L. Boucher Seconded by: D. Smith CARRIED
- 14 Policy Committee Report - none
- 15 Date of next meeting – Postponed to Tuesday, November 19th @ 7pm –
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- 16 Adjournment 7:50pm