# FLIN FLON PUBLIC LIBRARY MINUTES Thursday April 17 2015 Rotary Room 12:00 PM

**PRESENT**: BILL HANSON, KAREN MACKINNON, NORA FONTAINE, BUZ T REVOR, VAL DIXON, BUNNY BURKE, CINDY MCLEAN

**REGRETS:** TOM GOODMAN, BLAINE VEITCH

CHAIRPERSON: BUZ TREVOR

### **MOTION: HANSON/DIXON**

To accept agenda as circulated **CARRIED** 

#### **MOTION: MACKINNON/FONTAINE**

To accept minutes of Feb 6 2015 CARRIED

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 1. Manitoba, Culture, & Heritage-library grant application requirements
- 2. E-mail: Corinne Mizak regarding Board Governance.
- 3. E-mail: Canada Summer Jobs advising approval of grant approval
- 4. Thank you card Nadia Maximchuk
- 5. E-mail: Harry Hobbs praising our Freedom to Read Coffeehouse
- 6. E-mail: Lana Jennings PLS-PLS is providing pre-school literacy kits. (we ordered)
- 7. Mb Tourism & Culture: Canada Reads poster (we added the website to ours)
- 8. Email: Stan Gardner @ UCN inviting staff to Library Retreat March 31, April 1&2 in Thompson. We had already advertised or community Easter Party for April 1, so we sent our regrets.
- 9. Inner Wheel dropped off a cheque for \$50.00 in memory of Shirley Goodman. We have purchased & labeled the books as such.
- 10. E-mail: Judy Bignell @ PLS regarding 2015 Library Conference and mileage claim
- 11. E-mail: Lana Jenings @ PLS re: call for proposals accessibility fund
- 12. Email: request of membership fees Mb Library Trustees Assoc.
- Email: Donna Kormillo (MLTA) advising of new lower fees of annually \$65.00 (30% lower than last year
- 14. Women's Resource Centre requesting community sponsorship V-Day Event
- 15. CIBC: GIC issued Mar 25/15 renewed to March 28/16 \$33,021.78 (auto-renewed princ & int by their office)
- 16. Flin Flon Writers Guild thanking us for all our help and support during Poetry Night.

- Email: Giacomo Grisanzio(Hill & Kowlton Strategies) thanking us for all the help with the History of Flin Flon & HudBay. (Hudbay Minerals in the hopes of learning more about Flin Flon and its community for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the mine)
- 18. Email: Winnipeg Foundation advising of the approval of our grant application in the amount of \$4000.00 to run a Family Literacy Program.

We have rec'd verbal confirmation of the approval of our Northern Neighbours Foundation grant application. We applied for funds to remodel the Kinsmen Room into our Storyhour/Family Literacy Program

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

## 2015 ANNUAL REPORT

#### **MOTION: BURKE/DIXON**

To accept Flin Flon Public Library 2014 Annual Report as circulated. CARRIED

### 2015 AUDIT

## **MOTION: HANSON/DIXON**

To approve Flin Flon Public Library 2014 Audit as prepared by Kendall & Pandya. CARRIED

Discussion Library closure June 8-11 for painting/organizing recent renovation Kinsmen Room/furnace room/storage room. No motion required as this is considered an Administrative decision.

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

<u>MOTION</u>: FONTAINE/MACKINNON To approve financial report to April 17 2015 CARRIED

# Administrator's Report:

- 1. Feb 10: meeting with Marion Paul Parent Child Coalition. We discussed various child literacy programs, further partnering, and possible funding.
- 2. CFAR radio interview Feb 19 to promote our Community Easter Party, and Freedom to Read Coffee House.
- 3. Feb 20-McIsaac School visit 31 students. I did a craft and read stories with the children. We also provided a snack and treat bags.
- 4. Feb 25: Freedom to Read Coffeehouse 7:00 -9:00 pm, courtesy of a \$200.00 grant. Myself and Aimee worked this evening
- 5. The staff participated in NNELS training session Feb 25<sup>th</sup> (print disabled reading material collection made available to the province)
- 6. Our Every Child is a Reader" program was a huge success. Every child who opened a library account, got a book, book bag, treat bag, and a bookmark. We opened a total of 99 new accounts in Jan & Feb
- 7. Aimee & I attended a 2 day Bookmates workshop March 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>. The Bookmates program is a child literacy program that trains individuals working with children. The emphasis was on

Family programming & how to best run a literacy program. The cost of the workshop was covered by the Parent Child Coalition.

- 8. March 25<sup>th</sup>, I presented the Budget to Creighton council. Audrey Mark from Pahkisimon Nuye?"ah Library was also there presenting her Annual Report.
- 9. Building: Merv Suskie inspected our fire extinguisher Mar 28, and we had VA replace the sink in the downstairs ladies washroom, as it fell off the wall and broke.
- 10. Our Community Easter Party was held on April 1<sup>st</sup>. We spent many hours planning and decorating! 56 children and their parents attended. I felt bad, as we had to turn away people at the door, because we were so full.
- 11. I spent the afternoon with Giacomo April 8<sup>th</sup>, providing assistance with his HudBay history project.
- 12. Our big Poetry Night was April 10<sup>th</sup>. Aimee and I worked the evening 6:30-10:30. There were a record number of 39 readers this year!
- 13. We were short staffed through much of the event planning, with Tara being off March 2-7<sup>th</sup>, and Karen off March 30<sup>th</sup>-April 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- 14. Tyler Highfield gave his notice, and his last day is April 25<sup>th</sup>. I have been conducting interviews, and have hired Rachel Hyska and Gabby Smith, who will share the position. As both are under 16, the Child Employment Permits have been completed.
- 15. We had an unfortunate incident April 21. Gordon Sewap, who visits the library on a regular basis intoxicated, actually approached a child who was standing beside him. I had been trying to get him to leave, and the Step-Mother was very upset. The RCMP were called, and my statement/letter was given. Mr Sewap is banned for life from the library (posted as per RCMP recommendation) I followed up with a call to the Step-Mom to make sure the little guy wasn't upset.
- 16. I have begun advertising for the Summer Student position, as well as supervising the Kinsmen Room Renovation. As soon as the room is done, we can begin the Family Storytime program.

### Motion: DIXON/FONTAINE

To adjourn meeting at 1:25 **CARRIED** 

Signed:

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