Minutes of the Grey Highlands Public Library Board Meeting Held at the Walter Harris Memorial Library On

Wednesday, December 21, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

Present:

Allan Coleclough, Chairman; Peggy Harris; Kevin Land; Aakash Desai;

Donna Close, Janet Carson, Brian Henderson, Wilda Allen, CEO

1.0 Call to order: Chairman Allan Coleclough called the meeting to order at 5:18 p.m.

2.0 Approval of Agenda:

Motion #48-16

Moved by: Aakash Desai Seconded: Peggy Harris

That the agenda be approved as amended. Carried.

3.0 Declaration of pecuniary interest: None.

4.0 Approval of Minutes November 16, 2016 Library Board Meeting

Motion #49-16

Moved by: Brian Henderson

Seconded: Kevin Land

That the minutes be approved as amended. Carried.

6.0 Business Arising:

- .1 Strategic Planning-next steps- following discussion it was agreed that there would be a special session at the next board meeting. Wilda will send out the updated PowerPoint presentation to Board members. The CEO will also prepare a service review as part of strategic planning information.
- **.2 Canada 150 Committee-** The CEO reported that library and museum staff are compiling information for the Community Calendar. An invitation was extended to Board members to attend the Mayor's Levee on Saturday, January 7th, 2017 at the Flesherton Kinplex.

6.0 Correspondence:

.1 Letter re: Kimberley Hours- there was discussion regarding a letter from Ruthann Zinkan regarding the library hours at the Kimberley Branch. The CEO will send a response to Ruthann thanking her for the letter, informing her of upcoming strategic planning discussions, and providing alternative library service options when the Kimberley Branch is closed.

The board will review branch hours as part of the strategic planning discussions.

7.0 Financial Report:

.1 Monthly Financial Reports

Motion #50-16 Moved by: Aakash Desai

Seconded: Kevin Land

That the Financial Report be approved.

Carried.

.2 2017 Budget

Motion #51-16

Moved by: Brian Henderson Seconded: Peggy Harris

That the 2017 Draft Budget be approved.

Carried.

8.0 CEO Report

1. Wilda presented the CEO report.

Motion #52-16

Moved by: Kevin Land Seconded: Janet Carson

That the CEO Report be accepted.

Carried.

9.0 Other Business:

.1 Set date 2017 Board meetings-deferred to January 2017 Board meeting.

.2 Discussion re: County Library System- the CEO brought forth information regarding county library systems and news regarding comments from the new warden at County Council. The CEO referred to a 2014 feasibility study conducted by the County CAO that recommended that County Council not proceed with a study.

Motion 53-16

Moved by: Kevin Land Seconded by: Donna Close

Whereas, there have been recent discussions at Grey County Council regarding a study of a County Library System, and whereas the Grey Highlands Public Library Board and Grey Highlands Council have previously not supported such a model as suitable for improved and sustained public library service, be it resolved that the Grey Highlands Public Library Board reconfirms its position that it does not support the investigation or

implementation of a County Library System. Carried

Motion 54-16

Moved by: Kevin Land Seconded by: Donna Close

Whereas the Grey County CAO in 2014 recommended that because of the absence of tangible benefits that County Council not proceed with a study of a County Library System, be it resolved that the council representatives on the Grey Highlands Library Board sponsor a resolution to Grey Highlands municipal council opposing the concept of a county library system; and further that upon approval of such motion that Grey Highlands Council request the Mayor and Deputy Mayor to bring forth a letter to County Council affirming that the Municipality of Grey Highlands is not in favour of a county library system. Carried.

10.0 Adjournment: The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Signature, Chairperson

Date Jan 18, 2017.