

MISSISSIPPI MILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

MINUTES

Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Mississippi Mills Public Library Board was held on June 11, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. at the Pakenham branch.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:34 p.m.

2. ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT:

Barbara Button, Chair
Leanne Czerwinski, Vice-Chair - Zoom
Alison Ball - Zoom
Mary Lumsden
Emma Kinsman
Jeff Fraser
Cathy Peacock
Christine Row, staff

ABSENT:

Vicki Lowe, Council Representative

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution No. 19-25

Moved by J. Fraser

Seconded by C. Peacock

THAT the MMPLB approves the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

4. DECLARATION OF ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

[None]

5. DELEGATIONS OR PRESENTATIONS

[None]

6. MINUTES OF THE PRECEDING MEETING

Resolution No. 20-25

Moved by J. Fraser

Seconded by E. Kinsman

THAT the MMPLB approves the May 14, 2025 Minutes as presented.

CARRIED

7. CONSENT ITEM

- a) Correspondence

[None]

- b) Reports- CEO report, Friends report

- c) Incidents- May 21, 2025

Christine will include a report on surveillance cameras at the August meeting.

Resolution No. 21-25

Moved by M. Lumsden

Seconded by L. Czerwinski

THAT the MMPLB accepts the consent items as presented.

CARRIED

8. UPDATES

- a) Policy Review

[None]

- b) Financial Statement- April 30, 2025

Board reviewed the financial statement as presented.

- c) Board advocacy

Federation of Ontario Public Libraries (FOPL) – E. Kinsman, Small/Medium Caucus Trustee, attended her first online meeting on June 9. She will also attend a webinar on Strong Mayor Powers on June 25.

Ontario Library Service (OLS) – C. Peacock attended the Board Assembly for libraries serving populations between 5,000 and 15,000 on June 3. Discussion topics included the upcoming OLS Virtual Conference—scheduled for November 19 (staff) and November 20 (Board)—as well as updated policy samples and innovative fundraising ideas, which will be shared with the Friends of the Library. C. Peacock will also share the link to *The Fifth Estate* documentary, “The Shadow Wars on Libraries.”

9. FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION

- a) Strategic Plan

2025 Strategic Directions and survey results

The Strategic Planning Working Group will meet to discuss survey options.

- b) Chair rotation for Policy Committee
C. Peacock agrees to Chair the Policy Committee effective September 2025.

11. OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

12. COMMUNICATIONS

12. NEXT MEETING

August 13, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. at the Almonte branch

13. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No.22-25

Moved by M. Lumsden

Seconded by J. Fraser

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

CARRIED