

Minutes
Squamish Public Library Board
Wednesday, September 15, 2021, 6:30 PM VIA ZOOM

In Attendance: Doug Race, Mallory Eddy, Hilary Bloom, Corinne Visscher, Janet Jamieson, Grant McRadu

Regrets: David Gayton, Molly Loudon, Meghan O'Neill, Christine Baker

Minutes: Rachel Bergquist

1. **Welcome:** We would like to acknowledge that we are gathered (virtually) on the unceded territory of the (Skwxwu7mesh) Squamish First Nation
2. *Safe Harbour, Introduction to Diversity and Inclusion* e-learning workshop (Section 5):
<https://learn.amssa.org/login/index.php>
Discussion postponed to October.
3. **Approval of agenda**
 - a. **Moved:** Grant **Second:** Doug **Passed**
4. **Approval of June 15, 2021 minutes**
 - a. **Moved:** Grant **Second:** Mallory **Passed**
5. **Treasurer's report – received**

Revenue notes: \$3000 Multicultural Grant, \$5000 donation from Hallmark filming in library, provincial funding has come through. Expenses notes: Lots of collections ordering happens towards end of year, \$28,000 grants includes UBCM grant to start Visiting Library Service and SAC grant for window vinyl coverings. Hilary had conversation with District about having bookkeeping moved over to the District's finance team; they don't feel it's something they can take on in the short term, but might be synergistic in the long term. Hannah, Hilary and DOS staff are meeting next week to talk about how to work together to get on top of the annual audit issues in a more sustainable way. October 26, Molly and Hilary will present budget requests to Council.
6. **Committee Reports**
 - a. Governance Committee – none
 - b. Functional Planning Committee – none
7. **InterLINK report – none**

NewToBC grant supports Library Champions program, which is to be extended to Sea to Sky and Sunshine Coast early next year.
8. **Director's report – received**

Highlights: Successful Summer Reading Club with virtual and in-person programs, lots of positive feedback from parents and families. Outdoor storytimes in the summer have also been popular, the library plans to continue to have these outside through December.

Window murals have been well received. Interior space improvement applications and bids have come through. SLRD approved additional funding for library for \$35,000 this year and next – PILT funding, talk more about the future of including the library as a shared service between Squamish and Area D and put structure in place for ongoing funding. A mural project is underway for the wall at the back of the library. Mask noncompliance has been an issue, workarounds for those individuals are Take-Out and virtual services and programs. Hilary joined the Community Resilience Committee.

9. **Council report**

To be discussed in camera.

10. **Business arising**

11. **New business**

- a. Establishment of nomination committee – Governance Committee will take this on. Mallory would like to remain on Governance Committee but leave her board trustee position. Would need to check the procedures to see if it's possible, but there is general enthusiasm for this idea. To revisit next meeting after the Executive has taken a look at whether this is possible.
- b. Provincial funding and advocacy (for information) – Funding hasn't grown from province since 2009, advocacy initiatives have been ongoing to grow this funding. The new campaign is for \$22 million in 2022.
- c. Letter re Signage at 38052 Cleveland Ave, Squamish – In 2009, the library provided the primary and archival materials to make this sign as part of a bigger project, so the sign includes library logo. The letter is going to the Downtown Squamish Business Improvement Association board as well. Should it be looked at it by the Squamish Nation?

Motion to receive letter and direct Hilary to respond

Moved: Grant **Second:** Doug **Passed**

12. **In Camera**

Motion to move in camera

Moved: Grant **Second:** Mallory **Passed**

Motion to move out of in camera

Moved: Grant **Second:** Doug **Passed**

13. **Adjournment:** 7:47 PM

Dates to remember:

- 2021 Meeting Dates
 - Working Effectively with Indigenous Peoples: Thursday, October 14 (all day)
 - October 20, 2021
 - November 17, 2021