

## Minutes of Library Board Meeting

### Thursday, June 18, 2020 – 7:00 pm (Virtual Meeting)

<p><b>Rose Savage</b> Chair</p> <p><b>Gary Thompson</b> Vice Chair</p> <p><b>Gail Blackman</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Ralph Cinelli</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Denise Da Ros-Presutti</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Mario Ferri</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Lauri Hewitt</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Marilyn Iafrate</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Manjit Kaur</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Donald Lazar</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Hameed Malik</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Antonella Nicaso</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Palma Pallante</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Loreta Pavese</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Bruno Riga</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Gino Rosati</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Richard Wu</b> Trustee</p> <p><b>Sandra Yeung Racco</b> Trustee</p>	<p>Present: R. Savage (Chair), G. Blackman, R. Cinelli, D. Da Ros-Presutti, L. Hewitt, M. Iafrate (from 7:07 pm), M. Kaur, D. Lazar (from 7:06 pm), H. Malik (from 7:11 pm), A. Nicaso, P. Pallante, L. Pavese, B. Riga, G. Rosati, G. Thompson (from 7:09 pm), R Wu (from 7:10 pm), S. Yeung Racco</p> <p>Regrets: M. Ferri</p> <p>In Attendance: M. Singleton, Chief Executive Officer A. Dowiat Vine, Deputy CEO Growth &amp; Communications L. McDonough, Deputy CEO Customer Experience S. Vander Werff, Deputy CEO Corporate Services P. Yovdoshuk, Recorder</p> <p>Guests: Mark Driedger, Project Manager, ATA Architects Inc. Duff Balmer, Design Principal, Perkins+Will Architects Inc. Phil Fenech, Principal, Sports, Recreation and Entertainment, Perkins+Will Architects Inc. Dennis Yip, Project Manager, Infrastructure Delivery, City of Vaughan Wei Chiao, Manager Design &amp; Instruction, Infrastructure Delivery, City of Vaughan</p> <p>1. <b><u>CALL TO ORDER</u></b></p> <p>As there was a quorum at 7:02 pm the Chair called the meeting to order.</p> <p>2. <b><u>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST</u></b></p> <p>There were no disclosures of interest.</p> <p>3. <b><u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</u></b></p> <p>3.1 <b><u>Agenda items to be added or deleted</u></b></p> <p>None.</p> <p>3.2 <b><u>Adoption of Agenda</u></b></p> <p><b>MOTION: THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.</b> <b>MOVED BY: S. Yeung Racco</b> <b>SECONDED BY: P. Pallante</b> <b>MOTION CARRIED.</b></p> <p>4. <b><u>ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF MAY 21, 2020</u></b></p> <p><b>MOTION: THAT the minutes of May 21, 2020 be adopted as presented.</b> <b>MOVED BY: L. Hewitt</b> <b>SECONDED BY: G. Blackman</b> <b>MOTION CARRIED.</b></p> <p>D. Lazar joined the meeting. M. Iafrate joined the meeting. G. Thompson joined the meeting.</p>
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The Board welcomed Dennis Yip, Project Manager, Infrastructure Delivery, City of Vaughan, and Wei Chiao, Manager Design & Instruction, Infrastructure Delivery, City of Vaughan, who were in attendance for the architectural presentation on the Maple Library Reimagined.

R. Wu joined the meeting.  
H. Malik joined the meeting.

5. **MAPLE LIBRARY REIMAGINED**

The Board welcomed Mark Driedger, Project Manager, ATA Architects Inc., who provided a visual presentation on the Maple Library Reimagined. Discussion ensued with trustees providing feedback.

**MOTION: THAT the Board receive the report for the Maple Library Renovation project as background information to the ATA Architects Inc. presentation,**

**AND THAT the Board approve the concept design of ATA Architects Inc. incorporating feedback from the trustees for the Reimagined Maple Library.**

**MOVED BY: G. Rosati**  
**SECONDED BY: A. Nicaso**  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

The Board expressed thanks to Mark Driedger for his presentation and he left the meeting.

6. **CARRVILLE COMMUNITY CENTRE & LIBRARY DESIGN**

The Board welcomed Paul Marcoccia, Manager of Design Construction, Facilities Management Department, City of Vaughan, and Wei Chiao, Manager Design & Instruction, Infrastructure Delivery, City of Vaughan, who were in attendance for the architectural presentation on the Carrville Community Centre & Library Design. The Board also welcomed Duff Balmer, Design Principal, Perkins+Will Architects Inc., and Phil Fenech, Principal, Sports, Recreation and Entertainment, Perkins+Will Architects Inc., who provided a visual presentation on the Carrville Community Centre & Library Design. Discussion ensued with trustees providing feedback.

**MOTION: THAT the Board receive the Carrville Community Centre & Library Concept Design Report as background information to the Perkins+Will Architects Inc. presentation,**

**AND THAT the Board approve the proposed concept design for the Carrville Library.**

**MOVED BY: S. Yeung Racco**  
**SECONDED BY: G. Thompson**  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

The Board expressed thanks to Duff Balmer and Phil Fenech for their presentation and they left the meeting. The Board also expressed thanks to Paul Marcoccia and Wei Chiao and they left the meeting.

7. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- 7.1 Library Articles
- 7.2 VPL Promotional Articles

**MOTION: THAT the Board receive the items of communication.**

**MOVED BY: L. Pavese**  
**SECONDED BY: R. Wu**  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

## 8. REPORTS

### 8.1 Management Report for May 2020 and YTD Performance Indicator Reports

**MOTION:** THAT the Board receive the Management Report for May 2020 and the YTD Performance Indicator Reports.

**MOVED BY:** A. Nicaso

**SECONDED BY:** B. Riga

**MOTION CARRIED.**

### 8.2 Project Update – VMC Library and VMC Library Express

**MOTION:** THAT the Board receive the project update for the VMC Library and VMC Library Express.

**MOVED BY:** S. Yeung Racco

**SECONDED BY:** P. Pallante

**MOTION CARRIED.**

### 8.3 The 100 Day Pivot

Staff provided a summary report about the first 100 days of the closure of VPL due to COVID-19, outlining the highlights of the many interesting innovations and programs offered by staff.

**MOTION:** THAT the Board receive the report on The 100 Day Pivot.

**MOVED BY:** D. Lazar

**SECONDED BY:** G. Blackman

**MOTION CARRIED.**

### 8.4 An International Review of Libraries' Response to COVID-19

The International Federation of Libraries Association and Institutions (IFLA) is the recognized international body representing libraries and is referred to as the "global voice of the library and information profession". IFLA's blog *COVID-19 and the Global Library Field* was shared with VPL's actions inserted into the global overview.

**MOTION:** THAT the Board receive the report on the International Review of Libraries in Response to COVID-19.

**MOVED BY:** G. Rosati

**SECONDED BY:** L. Hewitt

**MOTION CARRIED.**

### 8.5 VPLs Strategic Plan

Proposed options on holding a Board Summit for VPLs Strategic Plan were discussed.

**MOTION:** THAT the Board receive the Strategic Plan Report, confirming that two virtual Board Summit sessions will take place on September 23 and 30, 2020.

**MOVED BY:** M. Iafrate

**SECONDED BY:** S. Yeung Racco

**MOTION CARRIED.**

## 9. NEW BUSINESS

### 9.1 Overdue Fines

VPL joined the fine-free movement on March 14, 2020, suspending all fines for overdue materials in response to COVID-19. A report was provided on the benefits to eliminating fines. Discussion ensued.

**MOTION:** THAT the Board approve that Vaughan Public Libraries continue a fine-free policy until the end of 2020,

**AND THAT** the Board further approve that Vaughan Public Libraries extend adoption of a fine-free policy into 2021 and beyond.

**MOTION:** D. Da Ros-Presutti  
**SECONDED BY:** G. Rosati  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

## 9.2 Equality is a Right for All

Public libraries have a long tradition of embracing racial equality and supporting diversity and inclusion. By positively endorsing the Vaughan Inclusion Charter and the statements for diversity and inclusion, the Board is recognizing the value of all VPL employees and all Vaughan citizens in one of the most diverse communities in North America.

**MOTION:** THAT the Board endorse the Vaughan Inclusion Charter,  
**AND THAT** the Board further endorse the Canadian Urban Library Council's Statement on Race & Social Equity,  
**AND THAT** the Board further endorse the Federation of Ontario Public Libraries' Statement of Solidarity with Black Community Against Systemic Racism,  
**AND THAT** the Board further endorse the Canadian Federation of Library Association's Position Statement on Diversity and Inclusion.  
**AND THAT** staff confirm the application and integration into VPL policy and processes and report back to the Board.

**MOVED BY:** G. Rosati  
**SECONDED BY:** S. Yeung Racco  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION:** THAT staff provide an annual report to the Board regarding Vaughan Public Libraries' activities related to the application of the Inclusion and Diversity Charter.

**MOVED BY:** G. Thompson  
**SECONDED BY:** G. Rosati  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

## 10. UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

Budget & Finance Committee Meeting  
Date to be determined

Library Board Meeting  
Thursday, September 17, 2020 – 7:00 pm

## 11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 pm on a motion by H. Malik, seconded by M. Kaur.