

MINUTES OF LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
Thursday, November 20, 2025 – 7:00 pm - Woodbridge Library

Gary Sangha
Chair

Antonella Nicaso
Vice Chair

Chris Ainsworth
Trustee

Sara Camilleri
Trustee

Denise Da Ros-Presutti
Trustee

Steven Del Duca
Trustee

Mario Ferri
Trustee

Lauri Hewitt
Trustee

Marilyn Iafrate
Trustee

Cini Joseph
Trustee

Manjit Kaur
Trustee

Gila Martow
Trustee

Palma Pallante
Trustee

Loreta Pavese
Trustee

Mario Racco
Trustee

Adriano Volpentesta
Trustee

Present: G. Sangha (Chair), C. Ainsworth (from 7:07 pm), S. Camilleri, D. Da Ros-Presutti, M. Ferri (from 8:28 pm), L. Hewitt, M. Iafrate, C. Joseph, M. Kaur, G. Martow, A. Nicaso, P. Pallante, L. Pavese

Regrets: S. Del Duca, A. Volpentesta

Absent: M. Racco

In Attendance: M. Singleton, Chief Executive Officer
A. Dowiat Vine, Deputy CEO Growth & Communications
C. Fiorini, Deputy CEO Corporate Services
L. McDonough, Deputy CEO Customer Experience
P. Yovdoshuk, Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER

As there was a quorum at 7:01 pm, the Chair called the meeting to order.

2. VPL LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

4.1 Items to be Added or Deleted

There were no items to be added or deleted.

4.2 Motion to Adopt the Agenda

MOTION: THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.
MOVED BY: L. Hewitt
SECONDED BY: C. Joseph
MOTION CARRIED.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 23, 2025

MOTION: THAT the minutes of Board Meeting of October 23, 2025 be adopted as presented.
MOVED BY: L. Hewitt
SECONDED BY: C. Joseph
MOTION CARRIED.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

- 6.1 Library Articles
- 6.2 News Clippings – October 2025
- 6.3 VPL's *What's on* publication – November/December 2025

C. Ainsworth joined the meeting.

MOTION: THAT the Board receive the Communications.
MOVED BY: C. Joseph
SECONDED BY: M. Iafrate
MOTION CARRIED.

7. REPORTS

7.1 Management Report for October 2025 and YTD Performance Indicators

MOTION: THAT the Board receive the Management Report for October 2025 and YTD Performance Indicators.

MOVED BY: A. Nicaso

SECONDED BY: D. Da Ros-Presutti

MOTION CARRIED.

7.2 VPL Q3 2025 Corporate Outcome Measures

MOTION: THAT the Board receive the report on VPL Q3 2025 Corporate Outcome Measures.

MOVED BY: C. Ainsworth

SECONDED BY: L. Hewitt

MOTION CARRIED.

7.3 Draft Strategic Plan 2026-2029

A. Dowiat Vine provided a presentation to the Board in relation to the draft Strategic Plan 2026-2030. Compliments and thanks were extended to the Strategic Plan Committee.

MOTION: THAT the Board receive the report on the progress of VPL's new Strategic Plan 2026-2030,

AND THAT the Board approve VPL's new Strategic Plan 2026-2030 **ENRICH INSPIRE TRANSFORM.**

MOVED BY: A. Nicaso

SECONDED BY: L. Hewitt

MOTION CARRIED.

7.4 Report from Budget & Finance Committee

7.4.1 Adoption of Budget & Finance Committee Minutes of September 18, 2025

MOTION: THAT the Board adopt the minutes of the Budget & Finance Committee Meeting of September 18, 2025.

MOVED BY: C. Joseph

SECONDED BY: M. Iafrate

MOTION CARRIED.

7.4.2 Revenue & Expenditures Analysis Report and Capital Analysis Report for Third Quarter ending September 30, 2025

MOTION: THAT the Board receive the Revenue & Expenditures Variance Analysis Report and Capital Analysis Report for the Third Quarter ending September 30, 2025, as recommended by the Budget & Finance Committee.

MOVED BY: C. Ainsworth

SECONDED BY: S. Camilleri

MOTION CARRIED.

M. Ferri joined the meeting.

8. IN-CAMERA MEETING**Motion to Move In-Camera**

MOTION: THAT the meeting move In-Camera.
Moved BY: M. Iafrate
SECONDED BY: A. Nicaso
MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting moved In-Camera at 8:31 pm.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: THAT the meeting return to Open Session.
Moved BY: L. Hewitt
SECONDED BY: M. Ferri
MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting returned to Open Session at 9:00 pm.

OPEN SESSION

MOTION: THAT the Board ratify all actions taken In-Camera.
Moved BY: S. Camilleri
SECONDED BY: A. Nicaso
MOTION CARRIED.

9. UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS**Staff Appreciation Event**

Friday, November 21, 2025 – 6:00 pm
Civic Centre Resource Library

Intellectual Freedom Lecture with James Turk, Director of Center for Free Expression at Toronto Metropolitan University

Thursday, November 27, 2025 – 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm (Virtual)

Details here: [Intellectual Freedom with Professor James L. Turk - Vaughan Public Libraries](#)

City of Vaughan SantaFest Parade

Sunday, November 30, 2025 – 2:00 pm

Parade will begin at the intersection of Springside Road and Melville Avenue and marching north until turning east on Major Mackenzie Drive to City Hall

Library Board Meeting/Dinner

Wednesday, December 17, 2025 – 6:00 pm

Botticelli Restaurant in the Monte Carlo Inn Suites
705 Applewood Crescent, Vaughan

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm on a motion by L. Pavese, seconded by M. Kaur.