

## MINUTES OF LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Thursday, December 17, 2020 – 7:00 pm (Virtual Meeting)

**Rose Savage**  
Chair

**Gary Thompson**  
Vice Chair

**Gail Blackman**  
Trustee

**Ralph Cinelli**  
Trustee

**Denise Da Ros-Presutti**  
Trustee

**Mario Ferri**  
Trustee

**Lauri Hewitt**  
Trustee

**Marilyn Iafrate**  
Trustee

**Manjit Kaur**  
Trustee

**Donald Lazar**  
Trustee

**Hameed Malik**  
Trustee

**Antonella Nicaso**  
Trustee

**Palma Pallante**  
Trustee

**Loreta Pavese**  
Trustee

**Gino Rosati**  
Trustee

**Richard Wu**  
Trustee

**Sandra Yeung Racco**  
Trustee

**Present:** R. Savage (Chair), G. Blackman (from 7:22 pm), D. Da Ros-Presutti, M. Ferri, L. Hewitt, M. Iafrate, M. Kaur, D. Lazar, H. Malik, A. Nicaso, P. Pallante, L. Pavese, G. Rosati (from 7:23 pm), R. Wu, S. Yeung Racco

**Regrets:** R. Cinelli

**Absent:** G. Thompson

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

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

As there was a quorum at 7:02 pm, the Chair called the meeting to order.

2. **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of interest.

3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

3.1 **Agenda items to be added or deleted**

The date of the January 2021 meeting will be discussed.

3.2 **Adoption of Agenda**

**MOTION:** THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.  
**MOVED BY:** L. Hewitt  
**SECONDED BY:** L. Pavese  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 19, 2020**

**MOTION:** THAT the minutes of November 19, 2020 be adopted as presented.  
**MOVED BY:** M. Iafrate  
**SECONDED BY:** P. Pallante  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

5.1 **Notification of Resignation from Board Trustee**

Notification of resignation has been received from Board Trustee Bruno Riga effective November 19, 2020.

5.2 **2021 Schedule of Library Board Meetings**

5.3 **Library Articles**

5.4 **Promotional Articles about VPL**

**MOTION:** THAT the Board receive and accept the notification of resignation of Bruno Riga from his position as a trustee of the Vaughan Public Library Board,

AND THAT the Board notify the City of Vaughan Council about the vacancy,

AND THAT the Board request that the vacant trustee positions of Bruno Riga and Maya Goldenberg be replaced for the balance of the current term,

AND THAT the Board receive the items of communication.

**MOVED BY:** D. Da Ros-Presutti  
**SECONDED BY:** M. Ferri  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

6. **REPORTS**

6.1 **Management Report for November 2020, YTD Performance Indicator Reports**

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

**MOVED BY:** A. Nicaso  
**SECONDED BY:** P. Pallante  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

6.2 **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:** A. Nicaso  
**SECONDED BY:** H. Malik  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

G. Blackman joined the meeting.  
G. Rosati joined the meeting.

6.3 **Draft Strategic Plan Presentation**

Deputy CEO A. Dowiat Vine provided a visual presentation on the draft Strategic Plan, and recognized VPL's Strategic Planning Team for their excellent work on the project. The Board expressed thanks to the Team for their efforts and coordination of the new Strategic Plan.

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

AND THAT the Board approve VPL's new Strategic Plan 2021-2025.

**MOVED BY:** M. Ferri  
**SECONDED BY:** G. Rosati  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

6.4 **Ontario Library Association Virtual Super Conference**

The OLA Super Conference 2021, *Super Conference 2021: Clever Minds & Human Hearts*, is being held virtually from Wednesday, February 3 to Saturday, February 6, 2021.

**MOTION:** THAT the Board approve attendance at the Ontario Library Association Virtual Super Conference 2021 for any Vaughan Public Library Board Trustee expressing an interest and committing to attend.

**MOVED BY:** G. Blackman  
**SECONDED BY:** D. Lazar  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

The Board expressed thanks to staff for all they do. Staff left the meeting.

7. **IN-CAMERA SESSION**

7.1 **Motion to Move In-Camera**

**MOTION:** THAT the meeting move In-Camera.  
**MOVED BY:** A. Nicaso  
**SECONDED BY:** S. Yeung Racco  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting moved In-Camera at 8:24 pm.

**CLOSED SESSION**

7.2 **Motion to Return to Open Session**

**MOTION:** THAT the meeting return to Open Session.  
**MOVED BY:** M. Ferri  
**SECONDED BY:** M. Kaur  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting returned to Open Session at 8:58 pm.

**OPEN SESSION**

7.3 **Ratification of Actions Taken In-Camera**

**MOTION:** THAT the Board ratify all actions taken In-Camera.  
**MOVED BY:** G. Blackman  
**SECONDED BY:** P. Pallante  
**MOTION CARRIED.**

8. **UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS**

The date of the Library Board meeting was changed to Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Guest speaker Donald Lazar shared a seasonal song with the Board.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm on a motion by G. Rosati, seconded by G. Blackman.