

THE ONTARIO CITY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OVITT FAMILY COMMUNITY LIBRARY
215 East C Street
October 11, 2022
(Subject to Board approval)

CALL TO ORDER This meeting was called to order by Board Member Crisol Mena at 6:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Led by Mena

MEMBERS PRESENT Board members Mena, Anne Lawliss, Gina Lanthripe were present.

MEMBERS ABSENT Library Board Member Ann Ricci was absent.

ALSO PRESENT Community Life and Culture Director Helen McAlary, Library Services Managers Kelly Zackmann and Daisy Flores.

INTRODUCTIONS

No Introductions, but announcements were made:

Nancy Bumstead has resigned her position as Library Board President.

There will be a tour of Lightspeed Makerspace after the meeting.

MINUTES

Motion: Moved by Lawlis, seconded by Lanthripe and unanimously carried to approve the September 13, 2022 minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Note: McAlary reviewed the current book challenge to the audience and clarified the Library Board's decision to keep a specific book in the children's collection in the library.

Mireya Cordova, spoke on her experience as a parent of a trans child.

Kathleen Brennan, spoke on her support for keeping books accessible in the library.

Beverly Smith, spoke in support of the library's commitment to diversity.

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Elizabeth Encarnacion, spoke on her desire to see more diverse books in the community.

Terezita Overduin, spoke on her support for the library's material selection policy and library staff.

Judy Campbell-Smith, spoke on her support of the library's procedures and how the books belong to all in the community.

Greg Overduin, spoke on the importance of books and the right to read.

Laura Shultz, spoke on her support of keeping books of sensitive topics accessible to all children.

Lauri Gutierrez, spoke about how parents should monitor their own kids and on the importance of the freedom to read.

Jaden Langston, spoke on her experience of how the library helped her and the importance of unrestricted access to the appropriate books.

Stephanie M., spoke on her support of the Library Boards decision, her appreciation of inclusive books, and how everyone is welcome in Ontario.

Chris Robles, spoke about how the community supports the library and keeping books accessible.

CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

City Council Representative Debra Dorst-Porada was present. Porada expressed appreciation for the public who attended the meeting and spoke about the Festival of the Arts on Saturday, October 15th.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Lanthripe, seconded by Lawliss and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Calendar for September 2022.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

On behalf of Library Director Shawn Thrasher (absent), McAlary spoke about the following items:

1. Groundbreaking event for the Ontario Great Park on October 29th at 10:00am.

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2. Ontario Festival of the Arts on October 15th.
3. The Friends of the Library group has a new president, secretary, and treasurer.
4. The most popular crafting program in the library is Yartario which happens every Tuesday night. It is facilitated by two volunteers and averages over 20 attendees every week.

STAFF REPORT

Lightspeed & Makerspaces (Daisy Flores)

Daisy Flores, Library Services Manager, narrated a PowerPoint presentation about the library's makerspace, Lightspeed.

A copy of this presentation is available upon request from the Library Director.

Porada asked if Lightspeed is taking donations of supplies. Flores replied yes. Mena asked about what types of materials are needed. Flores replied that we have to consider space, need, and popularity. Flores is the contact for the donations. Lanthripe asked about the age levels of the class. Flores replied the programs are listed with their age level in promotional materials. Sometimes they are for adults, families, or teens. It depends on the topic. Mena asked about the waiver, where it is received, and how people are trained. Flores replied patrons are trained, received their Lightspeed library card, sign the waiver at the very beginning of the process. Lawliss expressed she is excited to see it, having never been in there before. Lanthripe asked if scheduling is still required. Flores replied that appointments are still needed at the Lewis Family Branch.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to report.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to report.

BOARD COMMENTS

Lanthripe commented she is looking forward to the Lightspeed tour.

Lawlis commented about the KinderGo event that she attended. She thanked the staff for the event and witnessed a young girl getting her library card.

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Mena thanked the public for attending the meeting and invited attendees to attend the Lightspeed tour.

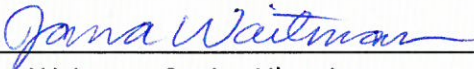
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There are no future agenda items on the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

Mena adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

Respectively Submitted



Jana Waitman, Senior Librarian

APPROVED:

