

**Saskatchewan Library Trustees Association  
January 29, 2016  
Home Inn and Suites  
Regina, SK**

**Present:** Sandra MacArthur (Wheatland), Vice-President Lorna Black (PNLS), President Dennis Taylor (Lakeland), Sharon Armstrong (Parkland), Alison Hopkins (Provincial Library and Literacy Office), Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast), Nancy Kennedy (Executive Director), Karen Bonesky (Chinook/Multi-type Library Board).

**Regrets:** Gail Beuhler (Chinook), Maureen McGirr (Wapiti), Elmer Brenner (RPL), Mairin Loewen (SPL).

**1. Call to Order**

President Dennis Taylor (Lakeland) called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Dennis introduced Karen Bonesky (Chinook). Karen is the new Multi-type Library Board representative. She also represented Chinook at this meeting.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

***Motion: Moved by Vice President Lorna Black (PNLS), seconded by Sandra MacArthur (Wheatland) that the agenda be adopted with the addition of Item 5.9 CLA.  
Motion carried.***

**3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

***Motion: Moved by Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast), seconded by Sandra MacArthur (Wheatland) that the minutes be adopted with the following errors noted under Item 3 the seconder was not recorded and under Item 9 the date for the next meeting was incomplete.  
Motion carried.***

**4. Business Arising From the Minutes**

None.

**5. New Business**

**5.1 Minister's Brief**

There was discussion regarding the Minister's Brief. The presented brief will include appendices from regions with statistics to backup points made in the brief. It was noted that it is very important that the brief present a united front.

Alison Hopkins (Provincial Librarian) suggested adding photos to the brief as this is a trend with such documents.

## **5.2 Promotional Campaign**

Nancy Kennedy (Executive Director) will be working with Eric Bell on a questionnaire for both the Premier and the opposition leader regarding their positions on libraries. Questions will be circulated to the executive for approval. Completed questionnaires will be uploaded to the website and hopefully included in the newsletter.

No new funds will be added to the promotion campaign. Therefore, Eric's contract will end February 29, 2016.

Nancy Kennedy (Executive Director) will continue to work with Eric to see SLTA have more of a social media presence.

## **5.3 Life Member Award**

***Motion: Moved by Vice President Lorna Black (PNLS), seconded by Karen Bonesky (Chinook/Multi-type Library Board) that Jeanne Langhorne (PNLS) is the recipient of the 2016 SLTA Life Member Award.***

***Motion carried.***

## **5.4 SLA Conference**

Karen Mercier, who presented for SLTA at last year's conference, has been asked to present a more in-depth session on fund-raising at this year's conference. Cost will be approximately \$750.00. SLTA has also been asked to co-sponsor the pre-conference session. Wendy Newman will speak on strengthening libraries and librarians in the advancement of knowledge, creativity, and literacy in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

***Motion: Moved by Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast), seconded by Vice President Lorna Black (PNLS) that SLTA secure Karen Mercier as a speaker at the 2016 SLA Conference at an approximate cost of \$750.00 and that SLTA co-sponsor the pre-conference session by Wendy Newman at a cost of \$1000.00.***

***Motion carried.***

There was discussion regarding a raffle prize from SLTA.

***Motion: Moved by Sandra MacArthur (Wheatland), seconded by Karen Bonesky (Chinook/Multi-type Library Board) that SLTA put together a gift basket giveaway with items provided by every region.***

***Motion carried.***

Nancy Kennedy (Executive Director) will contact region reps for items and purchase a basket.

There will be no giveaways at the conference table.

## 5.5 2014 Financial Statements

The financial statements were reviewed.

The restricted fund is money from sales of the book SLTA had published. This money was designated to member education. As such it was to be used for Trustee Development. To ensure the fund is removed properly from the books Nancy Kennedy (Executive Director) will research the original motion regarding the fund. A motion may be needed at the AGM to ratify the issue.

***Motion: Moved by Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast), seconded by Sharon Armstrong (Parkland) that the 2015 financial statements be received.***

***Motion carried.***

## 5.6 2016 Budget

The 2016 budget was reviewed.

There was discussion regarding budget money for SUMA/SARM. It was decided that there would be no change to the budget.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding Trustee Development and a request from Chinook for a session on the Planning and Development module.

**A ten minute break was called by President Dennis Taylor (Lakeland) at 9:10 p.m.**

**President Dennis Taylor (Lakeland) reconvened the meeting at 9:20 p.m.**

***Motion: Moved by Karen Bonesky (Chinook/Multi-type Library Board), seconded by Sandra MacArthur (Wheatland) to take some of the funds in Trustee Development for a Strategic Planning session for the executive.***

***Motion not carried.***

It was noted that strategic planning is difficult for a group that frequently changes members.

***Motion: Moved by Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast), seconded by Vice President Lorna Black (PNLS) that Nancy Kennedy (Executive Director) send a letter to Chinook thanking them for their request.***

***Motion carried.***

***Motion: Moved by Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast), seconded by Sharon Armstrong (Parkland) that the 2016 budget be approved to take to the AGM.***

***Motion carried.***

## 5.7 Trustee Development Committee

***Motion: Moved by Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast), seconded by Karen Bonesky (Chinook/Multi-type Library Board) that Item 5.7 Trustee Development Committee be tabled to the next meeting.***

***Motion carried.***

## **5.8 Nominations and Resolutions Committees**

***Motion: Moved by Vice President Lorna Black (PNLS), seconded by Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast) that Sharon Armstrong chair the Resolutions Committee.***

***Motion carried.***

***Motion: Moved by Vice President Lorna Black (PNLS), seconded by Sharon Armstrong (Parkland) that Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast) and Sandra MacArthur (Wheatland) co-chair the Nominations Committee.***

***Motion carried.***

## **5.9 CLA**

The new CLA group will focus on lobbying with the federal government rather than being education based. There will be one representative from Saskatchewan and one from Manitoba. They will alternate years of service. Discussion of SLTA membership will be discussed at a later date.

***Motion: Moved by Vice President Lorna Black (PNLS), seconded by Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast) that further discussion on CLA be tabled to the next meeting.***

***Motion carried.***

## **6. Reports**

### **6.1 President's Report – President Dennis Taylor (Lakeland)**

No report.

### **6.2 Treasurer – Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast)**

No report.

### **6.3 Executive Director – Nancy Kennedy**

The Executive Director report was circulated.

### **6.4 System Reports**

System reports were presented.

### **6.5 Provincial Library and Literacy Office – Alison Hopkins**

The Provincial Library report was presented.

### **6.6 Multitype Library Board – Alison Hopkins**

The Multitype Library Board report was presented with the Provincial Library and Literacy Office report.

## **6.7 Senate (U of R)**

No report.

## **6.8 Senate (U of S)**

No report.

## **7. Correspondence**

Correspondence was circulated.

## **8. Trustee In-Camera Session**

None.

Karen Bonesky (Chinook/Multi-type Library Board) did query when the Executive Director's contract is renewed.

## **9. Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting will be at the SLA Conference May 7 in Saskatoon. Details will be forwarded by Nancy Kennedy (Executive Director) once available.

## **10. Other Business**

The new Wi-Fi will affect all library systems but RPL and SPL. It will be an authenticated band. People will need library cards to access. Alison Hopkins (Provincial Librarian) encouraged regions to contact her with problems when identified.

The SUMA motion presented by Sandra MacArthur (Wheatland) was accepted by the executive.

***Motion: Moved by Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast), seconded by Sandra MacArthur (Wheatland) that the discussion on Wapiti's incomplete membership fees be tabled to the next meeting.***

***Motion carried.***

## **11. Adjournment**

***Motion: Moved by Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast) to adjourn the meeting at 9:57 p.m.***

***Motion carried.***