

# THE TRUSTEE TELEGRAPH

## SOUTHEAST REGIONAL LIBRARY

### FALL SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING NOTES

#### OCTOBER 28, 2017

#### **Governance**

Kimberly Hintz presented on Saskatchewan Public Library Governance. Topics included reviewing the *...in a nutshell* document from the SLTA website, characteristics of a good board member and steps to good governance. The trustees discussed these topics in small groups then reported back to the board as a whole.

Julie Arie facilitated a group discussion on the Community Needs Assessment project. Topics discussed were what surprised the board members about their local community, how the local action plan affected branch services and what was the most important thing board members learned from the project. A final discussion topic for the whole group was what should the Executive Committee be thinking about when developing the Regional strategic plan? Responses were collected to be collated at HQ.

#### **Strategic Planning**

Kate-Lee Nolin and James Richards conducted group based activities to find out what is important to trustees and branches and will use that information as a base to start a new round of strategic planning for Southeast Regional Library.

#### **SLTA**

Donna Hartley brought greetings on behalf of SLTA. Donna encouraged trustees to nominate life-long trustees to the 'Honorary Lifetime Member Award' presented by SLTA and discussed ongoing promotions by SLTA.

#### **Finance**

Dianne Sander presented the finance report and reported on the 2017 budget to date and the proposed 2018 budget and grants. The 2018 municipal library grant rates was approved where the base municipal grants (non-service points), city grants and school/public library grants increase by 0% and the service point municipalities' library grant rate change in accordance with their population and their selected service level.

**Attendance:**  
56 Trustees

**Total population:**  
62,974



**Guests:**  
Lori Carr, MLA

Julie Arie, PLLO  
Kimberly Hintz, PLLO