

#### MINUTES GREATER MADAWASKA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

## Wednesday, June 8, 2022 9:00 AM – 10:00am Location: via ZOOM

- Present: Nicole McKinnon Sue Michalicka Patti McArthur Lucie Perrier
- Absent: Ruth Jones Kate Zeyl

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

• The meeting was called to order at 9:03 am

#### 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- Approved by consensus.
- Additions/deletions none

#### 2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

• None declared

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: dated May 11, 2022

• Approved by consensus.

## 4. CEO Report – Patti McArthur

#### Operations

• We're more than great summer reads! June is going to be a busy month at the library. We welcome you to support our library community with your presence at events and activities.

#### June 4, 9am - 1pm To market, to market! Storytime is at 10am, 574 Mill St. June 4, Library book sale fundraiser and open June 10, 10am - 3pm house at GMPLLC. PD Day activities and TD June 11, 9am - 3pm Summer Reading Club info packs will be available June 13 TD Summer Reading Club registration launches. Check out their website! Lego Lounge. This is a drop-in program for June 18 10am - 12pm young builders. Come, create! June 25, 3:00 Music at Barnet Cottage. The duet '10 Strings' with guitarist Philip Candelaria and cellist Patrick Kline joins us for 'Fret and Fretless', an interactive, family-friendly presentation. CANADA DAY – Pancake Breakfast July 1 Tackleshare visits GMPLLC to teach kids July 2, 9am - 2pm how to fish. Blake Corbin of Tackleshare will join us to kick off Ontario Family Fishing Week with an introduction to fishing on Saturday July 02, 2022. Participants require a valid library card to participate. All ages are welcome. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Tackle and rods will be provided. Please call or email the library to pre-

register. Blake will teach the basics of

#### • June at a glance

	fishing safety, casting, tying knots, and
	bringing in a catch. Location TBD.
June is the month for the Canada Helps 'Great Canadian Giving	
Challenge'. When you donate to the library this	
month, every \$1 donated is a chance to WIN \$20,000. Canada Helps	
will issue a charitable tax receipt for every	
donation over \$3.	

## We received a grant!!!

International Dyslexia Association of Ontario gave us a \$500 grant earmarked to purchase from a number of their specially designed books and activity materials to help children with reading difficulties. Ruth will be consulting with St Joe's Principal to choose the best materials. It will appear in our revenue stream under grants and donations.

## **Regular programming highlights**

## **GMPLLC Book Club**

On hiatus for the summer. This program will resume in September. All are welcome. We meet in the last week of the month to discuss our favourite recent reads. If you are interested, please contact the library to join us.

## Book BINGO wrap-up!

Congratulations to our Kids' Book BINGO winner. Thank you for supporting the library with your reading!

# Let's Talk Science continues

This non-profit operates out of Carleton and Ottawa Universities and will continue to supply us with science kits every month through the summer. Kits are most appropriate for grades 2-7 and are available at the library while supplies last.

# TD Summer Reading Club (TDSRC)

Our Weekend Reader program wraps up this month and we start thinking about the TDSRC. Online registration for this literacy program begins on June 13. Participants require a valid library card. Read more about online activities and how to register on the club website: https://www.tdsummerreadingclub.ca/ The library will offer weekly in-house activities for program participants on Friday mornings beginning the July 8 with book bundles for you to take home and enjoy. Each bundle will secure a 'buck' that a child can use to purchase items from our TDSRC store in the last week of August (collect all 8 for a bonus prize!). We encourage you to build your own custom bundle using the library catalogue.

## Library Materials Exchange

This outreach effort to Wards 2 and 3 continues. Residents in these areas who would like access to GMPLLC's physical library resources can call or email to order books for pickup/drop-off on prescribed dates throughout the year. Our designated pickup/drop-off location is Pine Valley Restaurant in Griffith. June pickup/drop-off dates: Wednesday, June 8; Wednesday, June 22 Loan periods can be flexible. Access the library catalogue through the GM website with your library card to reserve items for delivery. Currently, library returns are collected at noon on Wednesday prior to Thursday morning drop-off. Need help? 613-752-2317 or gmpllc.staff@gmail.com

## 5. Finance

- Membership Fee Recommendation to raise to \$20
  - After never having raised our fees in the history of the Library we are proposing to increase the fee to join the Library. This does not apply to Greater Madawaska taxpayers.
  - Moved by Lucie and seconded by Nicole Passed unanimously
- Financial Statement for May 2022
  - Still not finalized and since we accrued expenses in the interim, we will hold discussion until it shows up on the General Ledger. In general, we remain on track. Since we are low on staff expenditures, Ruth as requested permission to add a resource to help with programming. This will also provide vacation back-fill. The ad will appear on the Township website.
  - We are a little over budget on furniture expenditures (\$670). We purchased a needed bookcase. There is room in the overall budget for this expense.
  - Programming budget is not big enough (\$1,700) YTD we have spent \$928. We have nothing to cut and very high demand and support. We will look to adjust next year – since we're under budget on periodicals, we think we can reallocate.
  - In general we are where we should be.

#### • Audit and CRA Report

• We don't need a final audited statement, so we are not being delayed in our submission

## 7. Other Business

Next Meeting – Review Summer Break for September Start. Moved by Lucie, seconded by Nicole – passed unanimously.

A big vote of confidence to Ruth and staff for the fabulous job they've been doing.

## 8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 am

Minutes prepared by Sue Michalicka