Parkland County Library Board

Minutes of the Parkland County Library Board (PCLB) Meeting on March 14, 2023 at the Parkland County Centre.

CALL TO ORDER Sarah Leteta called the meeting to order at 6:00pm with the following in

attendance:

PCLB:

Cheryl Budzinski Sharon Cornelius Sarah Leteta Helen Lomas

Vicki Leder Sally Kucher-Johnson

Rob Wiedeman

Administration:

Kathy Gardiner, Library Director

ADOPTION OF AGENDA Sharon Cornelius MOVED:

That the agenda be adopted with the following addition:

Treasurers Report b. Contingency Reserve

Carried Unanimously

ADOPTION OF MINUTES Helen Lomas MOVED:

That the minutes of the February 13, 2023 board meeting be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

MEMBERS REMARKS Members received a copy of the "Your Parkland" publication in the mail as

did all residents in Parkland County. It was expressed that the libraries should be part of the publication with an advertisement or message about

the libraries.

REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS No action items to review at this time.

TREASURER'S REPORT a. Financial Report

Financial report ending January 2023 was presented. It was noted that Parkland County funding has been received but will not be represented until the March 2023 financial statement. Funding was received, however, monies set aside for Entwistle Public Library was not. This money will be allocated after Entwistle Public Library hours of operations are addressed

and meeting with county administration.

Cheryl Budzinski MOVED:

That the financial report be accepted.

Seconded by: Vicki Leder Carried Unanimously

b. Contingency Reserve

Cheryl Budzinski MOVED:

That we transfer the unspent funds to the contingency account at year end and put it into the general operations and contingency reserve.

Seconded by: Helen Lomas Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Kathy presented her report for board members review. Discussion was had about the operating hours of the libraries versus the number of people entering per year. Kathy and staff will document hourly the operations at Keephills and Tomahawk libraries for the month of March and provide information at the next meeting.

Kathy announced that Parkland County Libraries were awarded the Digital Literacy Exchange Program (DLEP) funding grant from the Federal Government. Parkland County Libraries was 1 of 23 organizations across Canada to receive funding and a news release has been submitted to local media outlets. The program is integral for the libraries to continue to offer computer fundamental skills covering both technical skills, skills in emerging technologies, and analytical skills for critically evaluating information online.

It was acknowledged that the Provincial Government increased their funding by 3million to libraries across Alberta. A letter dated March 1, 2023 from Minister Schulz was received.

NEW BUSINESS

a. None at this time

OLD BUSINESS

a. Bylaw Review – no update at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS

Minister's letter dated Wednesday, March 1, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46pm.

ACTION ITEM LIST

None at this time.

Action Number	Action	Responsibility
ACTION #1	Kathy to collect statistics and data of hourly operations of the Tomahawk and Keephills Libraries ie. Number of people walking in per hour, programming, etc.	Director

Next Meeting: Monday, April 17, 2023 5:30pm Parkland County Centre

Sarah Loloke

April 17, 2023