

Minutes of the Township of Douro-Dummer Public Library Board Meeting

May 13, 2025, 4:00 PM

Present: **Thomas Watt**
 Darla Milne
 Georgia Gale-Kidd
 Diane Bonner
 Tina Fridgen

Staff Present **Maggie Pearson**

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of the Board being present, the Secretary called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

2. Disclosure of any Pecuniary Interest

The Chair reminded members of the Board of their obligation to declare any pecuniary interest they might have. None were declared.

3. Approval of March 11, 2025 Minutes

Resolution Number 12-2025

Moved by: Darla Milne

Seconded by: Diane Bonner

That the March 11, 2025 draft minutes be approved.

Carried

4. Business Arising from Minutes:

4.1 Friends of the Library

Verbal report from Georgia Gale-Kidd: the annual book, seed & plant sale was a community building and fundraising success; the Friends of the Library earned ca. \$800.00 for the library to put towards improving the library grounds with the goal of expanding usable, outdoor accessible space for library users. Friends of the Library programming will pause for the summer as per usual while they use the time to develop fall programming including Culture Days.

4.2 Art Gallery Committee

Verbal report from Tina Fridgen: the art gallery committee has reached out to and spoken with several local high schools including Thomas A. Stewart, Holy Cross, and St. Peter's Secondary School about a Summer Student Art Show which is planned to run for July and August. The Lakefield Creative Arts Group will hang their show for September/October and Brian Nichols for November/ December. The Board also discussed the need to grow the membership of the Art Gallery Committee.

Resolution Number 13-2025

Moved by: Darla Milne

Seconded by: Tom Watt

That these committee reports be accepted for information.

Carried

4.3 Policy Committee

4.3.1 DDPL-Per-007

4.3.2 DDPL-PER-008

4.3.3 DDPL-PER-009

4.3.4 DDPL-PER-011

Resolution Number 14-2025

Moved by: Tina Fridgen

Seconded by: Tom Watt

That policy no. DDPL-PER-007, DDPL-PER-008, DDPL-PER-009, and DDPL-PER011 be adopted as is.

Carried

5. Financial Report Dated May 9, 2025

Resolution Number 15-2025

Moved by: Darla Milne

Seconded by: Diane Bonner

That the financial report be accepted for information.

Carried

6. Librarian Reports:

6.1 Report to Board: Operations & Projects

6.2 Report to Board: Stats March & April

Resolution Number 16-2025

Moved by: Dian Bonner

Seconded by: Tina Fridgen

That these librarian reports be accepted for information.

Carried

Resolution Number 17-2025

Moved by: Darla Milne

Seconded by: Tina Fridgen

That, following their annual performance review, the Library Clerk be moved to Step 1 of band 400-499.

Carried

7. New Business:

7.1 Board Assembly Attendee Nomination

Resolution Number 18-2025

Moved by: Darla Milne

Seconded by: Tina Fridgen

That Diane Bonner represents the Board at the Board Assembly Thursday, May 29th

Carried

7.2 Douro 200th Anniversary

Verbal report from Maggie Pearson: Library staff will support a local history/ genealogy program in the library together with the Douro 200th Committee on May 31st and June 14th. Library volunteers are also developing an in library local history display with interactive programming for the weekend of the anniversary event (July 5th).

Resolution Number 19-2025

Moved by: Georgia Gale-Kidd

Seconded by: Diane Bonner

That the library CEO continue to support the Douro 200th Anniversary Committee

Carried

8. Adjournment

Resolution Number 20-2025

Moved by: Diane Bonner

That the meeting be adjourned at 4:51 PM

Carried

9. Next Meeting:

Tuesday, June 10th, 2025 at the Douro-Dummer Public Library

Chair, Georgia Gale-Kidd

Secretary, Maggie Pearson