



Pahkisimon Nuyeh'áh Library System

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Pahkisimon Nuyeh'áh Library System Advocacy Committee Meeting Minutes 19 July 2024 3:00 PM

In attendance:

Board: Laura Custer-Chair, Brenda Bird-Vice Chair, Barb Flett

Staff: James Hope Howard- Director, Lisa Ulriksen- Assistant Director,
Linda Collins- FMOA & Recorder

Regrets: Darlene Morin, Ruth Bellegarde, Michelle Gale.

1. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement

The meeting was called to order at 3:16pm by L. Custer. The Land acknowledgement was read.

2. Review of Mandate Statement

Because this is the first meeting of the Advocacy committee for this year, the Mandate Statement was reviewed. There will be a number of updates to the statement, and will be brought back for approval.

3. Approval of Agenda

B. Flett/B. Bird

The Agenda was reviewed, with no changes.

MOTION: ADV-2024-07-19-01

The Agenda was approved as presented.

/Carried

4. Approval of Minutes, 15 March 2024

The Minutes of 15 March 2024 was reviewed, with no changes.

There is a central challenge policy and book tracking policy in place with the Centre for Free Expression and the Canadian Federation Library Associations. James will establish a book challenge policy for review

MOTION: ADV-2024-07-19-02

B. Bird/B. Flett

The Minutes of 15 March 2024 was approved as presented.

/Carried

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5. Business Arising from the Minutes

5.1 PNLS Website Governance Section Updated

The governance section of the PNLS website was updated with the latest signed Executive minutes. Additionally, the 2023 AGM was added.

5.2 Northern Air Travel Take-a-Book-Leave-a-Book Project

There has been no travel to the north yet, so the Take-a-Book, Leave-a-Book has been put on hold until such time as we do travel.

5.3 Saskatchewan Library Association 2024 Conference, DoubleTree Hotel Regina, May 2 & 3

The SLA conference was very well attended. Roseanne did a Canva presentation which had 53 people attend.

James ended up being the emcee when the original person was not able to attend.

The 2025 SLA Conference will be held at TCU Place at Saskatoon on May 8 and 9, 2025.

5.3.1 2024 Saskatchewan Book Awards, DoubleTree Hotel Regina, May 3

James was the emcee for the Book Awards.

6. Ongoing Business

6.1 PNLS Branded Items / Stationary / Merchandise / Etc.

6.1.1 PNLS Executive & Headquarters Staff Branded Jackets

We are still waiting for the jackets to go on sale to get a better deal.

We have lots of the regular promotional items for now. We are looking for upscale items for long service gifts.

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6.2 Community Outreach Opportunities

6.2.1 Sponsorships and Donations

There have been few donation and sponsorship opportunities yet this year. James will check on the Tony Cote Summer Games donation level, with the thought of donating a cash amount.

6.3 PNLS Website and Social Media Updates and Engagement

6.3.1 Northern Librarians Facebook Group Ongoing

The Facebook Group is still ongoing.

The Summer Reading Tour will be starting next week, with Lynn Hartley as the author.

There is a Rider Reading Challenge, sponsored by the Saskatchewan Roughrider Football team.

6.3.2 Google Universal Analytics to Analytics 4 Switchover

This is run through SILS.

6.4 PNLS Pages Monthly Newsletter

The newsletter is gearing up for the fall start of the school year and will be updated with the new Library Planner when it becomes available. Anyone who wants to sign up can do so through Facebook or email.

7. Fundraising Activities and Targets

7.1 Fundraising Sources Brainstorming and Discussion

We will keep an eye out and will update when something becomes available.

7.2 Partnership Opportunities Brainstorming and Discussion

The Children's Festival of Saskatchewan emailed us that they had 220 Festival-in-a-Box kits to distribute throughout the libraries. James picked those up from Regina.

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7.3 Northern Saskatchewan Archives Fundraiser Book Sale and Button Maker Table, Art in The Park 2024, La Ronge Patterson Park, May 11

We were one of 60 displays/vendors. We had different things available for sale. Our Button Maker was a great success. We will look into getting a second button maker.

7.4 Northern Saskatchewan Archives Fundraiser Book Sale, PNLS Headquarters, July 15–20

The Archives Fundraiser book sale is ongoing and will finish up today.

8. Policy Review and Approval

We have no policies to bring forward at this time. James will redo the Mandate policy and bring it to the table for review and motion.

9. Other Business

9.1 University of Saskatchewan Provost Office, University Librarian and Dean Search Committee, Ongoing

Since James is the president of the SLA, he will be involved in the search for a new University of Saskatchewan university Librarian.

10. Next Meeting

This will be in conjunction with the next Executive meeting which will be set tomorrow, July 20, 2024.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05pm by L. Custer.

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