

The Nation Municipality Public Library Board

Minutes

Regular meeting Thursday April 13, 2023 at 7 PM Limoges Branch

Attendance: France Lamoureux, Chairperson

Suzanne Leblanc, Member Chantal Normand, Member Pierrette Lavergne, Member Yvon Quesnel, Member Nathalie Gendron, Member

Jeanne Leroux, Chief Executive Officer

Regrets: Danik Forgues, Municipal Councillor

1. Call to Order

The president called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

2. Additions to Agenda

None

3. Approval of Agenda

Proposed by: Pierrette Lavergne Seconded by: Chantal Normand

4. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts.

5. Approval of minutes of March 9, 2023

Proposed by: Suzanne Leblanc Seconded by: Nathalie Gendron

6. Questions related to minutes of March 9, 2023

Limoges Street Libraries: Work continues on this project. Chantal and Nathalie will communicate preferred locations to CEO who will then contact Public Works regarding installation.

7. Business arising from previous meetings:

Strategic Plan: France does a retrospective on the strategic plan and the needs of the Limoges branch (especially) and St Albert and St Isidore. She has reservations about this meeting but we will meet the CEO and the treasurer of Casselman to discuss the issue. We will listen, ask questions and made a decision following this meeting. Not sure what the real need of such an evaluation for the Nation Public Libraries is.

8.Report of C.E.O.

Highlights and accomplishments Meetings of Note Workshop and conferences (See attached report)

9. Financial Report:

That the financial report dated March 31, 2023 be adopted as is.

Proposed by: Yvon Quesnel Seconded by: Nathalie Gendron

10. Correspondance

None

11.Next Meeting

Thursday May 11, 2023 at 7pm at Municipal Offices

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourns at 8:00 Proposed by: Chantal Normand Seconded by: Pierrette Lavergne



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Chief Executive Officer Report 2023 March

Highlights & Accomplishments

<u>First Books</u>: We received a gift card of \$500.00 for the purchase of children's books. They have been ordered and received. They are mostly anglophone books. Our thanks to the TD Bank and First Books.

Early On Centre: Story time will continue until April 24 although participation is not at the level we expected. We meet with the Director and the Educational of the Program. Starting on May 1st, the activities will take place at the parc at the Arena in St Isidore.

Easter Arts and Crafts: We finally started our in person Arts and Crafts children's program. The three (3) arts and crafts had a participation of 20 children. We had a draw of two (2) Easter Eggs that we made with our 3D printer. There was some Easter chocolat in each of the eggs. We also had a draw for a large chocolat bunny at each branch. Participation was: St Isidore: 138 St Albert: 49 Limoges: 101. The winners were: St Isidore: Doyle Harrigan, St Albert: Dominique Perron and Limoges: Caleb Bédard (9 yrs old)





Summer 2023 program: We have purchase the majority of the Anglophone and Francophone books for the program. They will be catalogued in the next few weeks. The notice for the hiring of a summer student will close on April 14, 2023.

Annual Survey of Public Libraries Library Statistics: The annual survey for 2022 has been completed and will be submitted shortly once we receive the financial figures for our operational grant.

<u>CPR training:</u> The employees of the three (3) branches have received there CPR and defibrillator training on Wednesday April 12, 2023.

CELA (Centre for Equitable Library Access): Each year the Centre sends us 100 books on CD for each branch. This is to provide service to visually impaired client. We have reorganized our drawers with the CD's in the three (3) branches. We have retained the last two (2) years that being 2022 and 2023 and returned the older items to CELA. We produced a list by author, title for each branch for each year. This makes accessibility easier.

Conference: For the first time, on Friday May 5th, we will participate in the conference 'Little Branches Rural Roots" that will be given in Arnprior. This will allow us to meet a variety of participants from other rural libraries throughout Eastern Ontario. We will also participate in a variety of sessions on different subjects of concern to rural public libraries like ours. Also vendors will be on site to demonstrate new products of interest to public libraries.

<u>St Isidore Branch</u>: We now have a fonctionning carbon monoxide detector installed in the kitchen. This is to avoid the situation we had on December 28th, 2022.