MISSION STATEMENT: "TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO RESOURCES TO MEET THE EDUCATIONAL, CULTURAL, INFORMATIONAL AND LEISURE-TIME NEEDS OF CITIZENS OF ALL AGES AND BACKGROUNDS. THE LIBRARY STRIVES TO FOSTER A LIFE-LONG INTEREST IN READING AND LEARNING."

Minutes - Board Meeting, November 18, 2021 7:00 p.m. – Morden Meeting Room or join Zoom Meeting

Council Reps: Marvin Plett, City of Winkler ; Gary Hiebert, City of Morden ; Chad Collins, Municipality

of Altona; Heather Imrie, R.M. of Thompson

Citizen Reps: Sharon Fehr, Municipality of Pembina; Susanne Sigurdson, City of Morden;

Director of Library Services: Cathy Ching

Regrets & Absent: Jody Oakes, RM of Thompson; Emma Montgomery, City of Winkler; Bernie Loeppky, RM of Stanley

of Pembina ; June Letkeman, Rhineland Municipality ; Ray Unrau, RM of Stanley ; Curt Letkeman, Town

1. Call to order: 7:00 p.m.

- 2. Additions to and adoption of the agenda: Susanne/June/msc
- Adoption of minutes of previous meeting: September 16, 2021 & October 21 (Finance) Garry/Marilyn/msc
- 4. Business arising from the minutes:
- 5. Correspondence:
 - FR: Honourable Cathy Cox, Minister of Sport, Culture and Heritage RLTS Grant
 - TO: Shelly Voth RE: 500 Stephen Street (formerly Variety Advertising building)
 - FR: Honourable Cathy Cox, Minister of Sport, Culture and Heritage New Operating funds
 - FR: R.M. of Stanley Resolution
 - TO: Gislason Targownik Peters no response yet Cathy will contact
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 - TO: Morden Community Thrift Shop Inc.
- 6. Committee Reports:
 - 6.01 Finance Financial Report October 2021 (yellow) Sharon/Garry/msc
 - 6.02 Statistics October 2021 (*blue*) Overdrive (eLibraries) has continued to see heavy use. This means library services can be accessed from anyone, anywhere. Rhineland library patrons check out nearly one book per user. R.M. of Thompson 1.6 per patron & Pembina .97 per patron.



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- 6.03 Personnel / Policy: Report & recommendation Additions to Personnel Manual (from Nov 4th) Chad recommended adding Current employees must present for testing if they have Covid concerns and will not self-diagnose. They must be recorded in the system for MB Health so there can be proper recording and follow-up. Sharon/Susanne/msc
- 6.04 Public Relations / Fund Raising: Programming Campaign Curt Town of Altona has approved the go-ahead for the Altona Library Expansion Fund-raiser. Spring 2022 will be the target date for renovations to begin once the lease is signed with the mall owner.
 6.05 Facilities/Automation: Manitou Branch New windows are in thanks to the Municipality.
 Reported in the summer but not presented at the Board meeting attempted break-in at Manitou Library. Damage was done to the door and camera over that entrance was not working.
 Everything has been repaired and all cameras are functional. Winkler Branch will be installing a small camera to capture vandalism happening at the back of the library where people are sitting for long periods of time.
- 7. SCRL Reports October 2021 (purple) All libraries have been busy connecting with the communities by hosting online & interactive activities. Special note was Dorothy's report and the outcome of having children bring their parents back to the library after her day of activities with them. It shows how outreach can be so simple yet effective.
- 8. New business: Meeting dates 2022 (attached); 2022 Budget presented with amendments June/Curt/msc
- 9. Next meeting January 20, 2022 Winkler Branch 7:00 p.m (or via Zoom)

Marvin Plett, Board Chair

Cathy Ching, Director