

Minutes of Orangeville Public Library Board The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville

March 26, 2025, 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: P. LeBlanc

S. Marks

Councillor J. Andrews
Councillor T. Prendergast

B. ReaV. SpeirsD. Waugh

Staff Present: D. Fraser, CEO

J. Moule, Administrative Assistant

H. Savage, General Manager, Community Services

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest

None.

3. Land Acknowledgment

The Chair acknowledged the treaty lands and territory of the Williams Treaty Nations and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. The Chair also recognized that Dufferin County is the traditional territory of the Wendat and the Haudenosaunee, and is home to many Indigenous people today.

4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Recommendation: 2025-015

Moved by Councillor J. Andrews Seconded by Councillor T. Prendergast

That the minutes of the 2025-02-26 Library Board Meeting be approved as amended:

- Change the name of CEO Selection Committee to 'Succession Planning Working Group'
- Correct V. Speirs name on page 4.

Carried Unanimously

4.1 2025-02-26 Library Board Minutes

4.2 2025-03-06 Library Board Minutes

Recommendation: 2025-016

Moved by B. Rea

Seconded by S. Marks

That the minutes of the 2025-03-06 Library Board Meeting be approved.

Carried Unanimously

5. Presentations

5.1 Nicole Martin, CAO Township of Amaranth regarding the geographical limitations on support for library membership.

CAO Nicole Martin along with Finance Co-Op student Connor Smith advised the Library Board that Amaranth Council approved expanding Orangeville Library catchment area to the entire Township to encourage more library usage for their residents.

Recommendation: 2025-017

Moved by B. Rea Seconded by Councillor J. Andrews

Chair P. LeBlanc requested that the order of items on the agenda be amended; and

That Item 6 Information Items be discussed after Section 9 Announcement.

Carried Unanimously

7. Staff Reports

7.1 Overview of Health & Safety at the Library

Recommendation: 2025-018

Moved by Councillor T. Prendergast Seconded by D. Waugh

That Report 25-07 Overview of Health and Safety at the Library be received.

Carried Unanimously

Recommendation: 2025-019

Moved by Councillor J. Andrews Seconded by S. Marks

That the Board adopt the following Town of Orangeville policies:

- Health and Safety Policy (Appendix A)
- Violence in the Workplace Prevention Policy (Appendix B)
- Harassment in the Workplace Prevention Policy (Appendix C)

Carried Unanimously

7.2 Committees of the Board

Recommendation: 2025-020

Moved by Councillor J. Andrews Seconded by B. Rea

That Report 25-08, Committees of the Library Board be received.

Carried Unanimously

7.3 Policy Review - Planning Policy

Recommendation: 2025-021

Moved by Councillor J. Andrews Seconded by V. Speirs

That Report 25-09 Policy Review – Planning be received; and

That the Planning Policy attached to this report as Appendix A, be adopted.

8. Correspondence

None.

9. Announcements

Councillor J. Andrews advised the Board that at the March 24, 2025 Council meeting the funding for the Exploratorium Project was approved.

D. Waugh congratulated CEO D. Fraser and library staff on a successful event this past Saturday, March 22. Author and inspiring speaker, Dr. Samra Zafar shared the life lessons she has learned, unlearned, and relearned throughout her life's journey thus far.

6. Information Items

Recommendation: 2025-022

Moved by D. Waugh Seconded by B. Rea

That the following information items are received:

Carried

- 6.1 CEO Report March 2025
- 6.2 2025 Pre-Budget Submission OLA FOPL

6.3 CFLA-FCAB Residential School Press Release

Chair P. LeBlanc left the meeting at 6:42 p.m. and Vice Chair V. Speirs assumed the role of Chair.

6.4 Verbal Report from the Succession Planning Working Group

The Working Group has met twice, membership changed at the February 26 meeting, recruitment plan is underway, and job description is being reviewed.

CEO D. Fraser and J. Moule left the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

10. Closed Meeting

Recommendation: 2025-023

Moved by D. Waugh Seconded by B. Rea

That a closed meeting of the Orangeville Public Library Board be held, pursuant to section 16.1(4) of the Public Library Act for the purposes of considering the following subject matters:

Role of the Library Chief Executive Officer,

Labour relations or employee negotiations.

Carried Unanimously

11. Rise and Report

Recommendation: 2025-026

Moved by Councillor T. Prendergast Seconded by S. Marks

That the confidential verbal update regarding the Role of the Library Chief Executive Officer be received; and

That the Succession Planning Working Group will delay the recruitment plan submission to the Board until June 2025; and

That Board Members proceed as directed.

Carried

12. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 23, 2025 at 5 p.m.

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Darla Fraser, CEO
Peter LeBlanc, Board Chair