

**Present:** Larry Stewart, Jim Shivas, Joyce Smith, Gary Norris, Fred Gladding  
**Regrets:** Don Marchand, John Wheat, Deborah Andre', Steve Schmitt  
**Staff:** G. Kozak Selby

**Call to Order:** Chair called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

**Approval of the Agenda:**

Moved by G. Norris, seconded by J. Smith that the agenda be approved. **Carried.**

**Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature of:** Nil

**Approval of the Minutes:**

Moved by J. Smith, seconded by G. Norris that the minutes of the regular meeting of January 12, 2014 be approved. **Carried.**

**Business Arising:**

A written report authored by Z. Phillipon on the Roots of Empathy was received for information.

**Consent Items:** Received for information:

- a) Paris Friends of the Library Minutes, Jan 8, 2014
- c) Friends of the Glen Morris newsletter

**Correspondence:** Received for information:

- a) Email forwarded from Councillor D. Miller regarding a citizen's praise of the Tech Coach
- b) Invitation to the Six Nations Public Library Fundraiser Gala
- c) Memo to H. Boyd, Clerk from Library CEO regarding Imagination Library
- d) Sharon Brooks, Kids Can Fly regarding Imagination Library

**Board Development:**

The Board viewed the archived FOPL session on Toronto Public Library's release of [\*So Much More: The Economic Impact of the Toronto Public Library System on the City of Toronto.\*](#) Conducted by the Martin Prosperity Institute, this is the first study of its kind in Canada. Discussion followed.

**Submissions for Board Development:**

The CEO will monitor the OLA website for the posting of the complete sessions that were hosted at the OLA Conference so that some can be presented at the Board meetings.

## Reports:

a) Operating Statement:

Financial statements for year ending December 2013 were received. The 2014 budget has not been approved and the financial statements for 2014 have not been populated at this time.

b) Librarian's Report:

1. The Municipal meetings on the 2014 Budgets are continuing into March. As they become available, the minutes of the meetings will be distributed to the Board.
2. The CEO and Board Chair presented an oral overview of sessions attended at the OLA Conference. The CEO will continue to bring forward some of these sessions to the Board meetings as part of the Board development segment of the meetings.
3. The strategic plan measurables were presented. The focus of 2014 will be the commencement of a number of evaluation measures to prepare the Board for the 2015 strategic plan review process. The staff is currently engaged in a service portfolio review. The Board will be asked to participate. The CEO has requested that 3 studies be included in the current review of the Development Charges. These studies are another market segmentation study to build off the 2010 Environics study; a facility feasibility study on the Paris Branch and the 2015 strategic plan.
4. The Friends of Glen Morris Library Branch will be presenting a request for the renovation and public usage of the second floor of the Glen Morris Branch at the April Board meeting
5. Reminder of One Book, One Brant, Sunday March 2 at 1:30 pm. Author Brad Smith will be presenting his work *Crow's Landing*.
6. The CEO presented at the 2014 Ontario Budget consultation held at the Wilfred Laurier University (Brantford Campus)
7. The Library's application for funding under the New Horizons for Seniors Program was successful. An official announcement from MP P. McColeman's office will be out shortly.

c) Facility Management Committee: n/a

d) Planning Committee:

**Moved by J. Shivas, seconded by F. Gladding that:**

- 1/ Fire/Emergency Evacuation Procedure
- 2/ Early and Safe Return to Work Program
- 3/ Policy LS22: Social Networking

be approved. **Carried.**

Invitation to all for the Social Networking Webcast hosted at the Paris Branch on Tuesday, Feb 25 at 2:00 pm

**New Business:** n/a

**Next Meeting:** March 11, 2014, Paris Branch.

**Adjournment:** Moved by **J. Smith** to adjourn at 9:05 p.m.