

**Toronto Public Library Board**

Meeting No. 1: Monday, January 8, 2001, from 12:05 p.m. to 1:20 p.m.  
Board Room, 789 Yonge Street, Toronto

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**Members Present:**

Mr. Rick Goldsmith (Chair)  
Ms. Gillian Mason (Vice-Chair)  
Councillor Maria Augimeri  
Mr. Bill Buckingham  
Dr. Ron Chopowick  
Councillor Olivia Chow  
Mr. Sandy Douglas  
Ms. Mizan Ibrahim  
Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong  
Councillor Jane Pitfield\*  
Councillor Kyle Rae  
Mr. Mitchell Weisberg

**Regrets:**

Councillor Mike Feldman  
Ms. Lillian Knight  
Councillor Joe Mihevc

*\*for part of meeting only*

**Staff Present:**

Ms. Josephine Bryant, City Librarian  
Ms. Anne Bailey, Acting Director, Human Resources  
Ms. Suzanna Birchwood, Director, Marketing & Communications  
Ms. Vickery Bowles, Director, East Region  
Ms. Nancy Chavner, Director, West Region  
Mr. Ron Dyck, Director, Information Technology & Bibliographic Services  
Ms. Ann Eddie, Director, Administration  
Ms. Linda Mackenzie, Director, Research and Reference  
Ms. Jane Pyper, Director, Service Planning and Support  
Mr. David Reddin, Director, North Region  
Ms. Linda Karlinsky, Acting Director, South Region  
Mr. Gary Sim, Acting Director, Development  
Mr. Bruce Barnett, Senior Manager, Facilities  
Mr. Larry Hughsam, Senior Manager, Finance  
Mr. Dan Keon, Senior Manager, Human Resources  
Mr. Harvey Mooradian, Acting Manager, Budgets & Finance Reporting

**01-1 Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 12:05 p.m. The Chair welcomed Councillors Augimeri, Chow, Minnan-Wong and Rae to the Board.

**01-2 Approval of Agenda**

*Moved by M. Weisberg, seconded by S. Douglas, and carried:*

*That the agenda be approved as revised to include Item #9a – 2001 Operating Budget – Reductions to Meet Target (01-10).*

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**01-3 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest by members of the Library Board.

**01-4 Approval of October 2, 2000 Toronto Public Library Board Meeting Minutes**

*Moved by S. Douglas, seconded by G. Mason, and carried:*

*That the minutes of the October 2, 2000 Toronto Public Library Board meeting be approved.*

**01-5 Business Arising**

There was no business arising.

**01-6 Public Presentations**

There were no public presentations.

**01-7 Communications**

There were no communications.

*Item for Information:*

**01-8 Operating Budget Monitoring Report – November 30, 2000**

*Moved by G. Mason, seconded by B. Buckingham, and carried:*

*That the Toronto Public Library Board receive the Operating Budget Monitoring Report – November 30, 2000 for information.*

*Items for Approval:*

**01-9 2001 Operating Plan and Budget**

*Moved by M. Ibrahim, seconded by G. Mason, and carried:*

*That the Toronto Public Library Board approve the 2001 Operating Plan and Budget for the purpose of submission to the City of Toronto for discussion and consideration:*

*Gross Budget: \$125,850,500*

*Revenues: (12,497,700)*

*Net Budget: 113,352,800*

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**01-10 2001 Operating Budget – Reductions to Meet Target**

*Moved by M. Ibrahim, seconded by S. Douglas, and carried:*

*That the Toronto Public Library Board receive the 2001 Operating Budget – Reductions to Meet Target report for information and comment on the options presented.*

Staff were requested to convey to the City, the Board's concern regarding the significant impact of the proposed service reductions that would be required to meet the 2001 Operating Budget targets and to keep the Board informed concerning the budget negotiations.

**01-11 2001 – 2005 Capital Program and Ten-Year Capital Plan**

*Moved by M. Ibrahim, seconded by R. Chopowick, and carried:*

*That the Toronto Public Library Board approve the 2001 – 2005 Capital Program and Ten-Year Capital Plan for the purpose of submitting the capital program to the City for consideration.*

**01-12 Dawes Road Neighbourhood Branch Library Capital Project**

*Moved by R. Chopowick, seconded by S. Douglas, and carried:*

*That the Toronto Public Library Board:*

- (1) *Approve the plans to ensure funding for the common area capital improvements at the Dawes Road Neighbourhood Branch Library site are appropriate; and*
- (2) *Forward the information contained in the Dawes Road Neighbourhood Branch Library Capital Project report to the City's Policy and Finance Committee, as requested.*

**01-13 Malvern District Library Capital Project**

*Moved by G. Mason, seconded by S. Douglas, and carried:*

*That the Toronto Public Library Board:*

- (1) *Approve the justification for the renovation and expansion of the Malvern District Library as outlined in the Malvern District Library Capital Project report; and*
- (2) *Forward the information contained in the Malvern District Library Capital Project report to the City's Policy and Finance Committee; as requested.*

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**01-14 Maria A. Shchuka District Library Capital Project***Moved by M. Ibrahim, seconded by G. Mason, and carried:**That the Toronto Public Library Board:*

- (1) *Receive the Maria A. Shchuka Library Capital Project report for information; and*
- (2) *Forward the information contained in the Maria A. Shchuka Library Capital Project report to the City's Policy and Finance Committee, as requested.*

**01-15 Maria A. Shchuka and Leaside Libraries****Pre-approval of 2001 Capital Projects***Moved by S. Douglas, seconded by M. Ibrahim, and carried:**That:*

- (1) *The Toronto Public Library Board approve the submissions for the Maria A. Shchuka and Leaside Library business cases for pre-approval; and that*
- (2) *Staff convey this information to the Policy and Finance Committee for their meeting of January 18, 2001.*

**01-16 OMERS Participation Policy and Supplementary Agreements***Moved by R. Chopowick, seconded by S. Douglas, and carried:**That:*

- (1) *The Toronto Public Library Board authorize participation in the Ontario Municipal Employee's Retirement System (OMERS) as outlined in the OMERS Participation Policy and Supplementary Agreements report;*
- (2) *The City Librarian be authorized to send a certified copy to OMERS;*
- (3) *The City Librarian be authorized to make deductions from members' earnings and remit them to OMERS;*
- (4) *The City Librarian be authorized as the Agent for OMERS and have the authority to sign all required documents; and*
- (5) *Authority be given to enter into the Supplementary agreement as outlined in the OMERS Participation Policy and Supplementary Agreements report subject to the City Solicitor's approval of the form.*

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**01-17 2001 Toronto Public Library Board Meeting Schedule**

The proposed schedule of Board meeting dates was reviewed. Several members noted conflicts with the current schedule. City Librarian Office staff will survey Board members to determine the best day and time along with preferences for meeting location, and will advise of the results as soon as possible.

**Other Business****01-18 Retirement of Director, Administration**

The Chair expressed the Board's appreciation to Ann Eddie, Director, Administration for her many years of service to the former Scarborough Public Library and the amalgamated Toronto Public Library. Ms. Eddie is retiring from the Library on January 19, 2001.

**01-19 Board Luncheon and Orientation – January 19, 2001**

Board members were reminded of a luncheon and orientation for new and returning members of the TPL Board to be held on Friday, January 19, 2001 at 12:00 noon at the Lillian H. Smith Library, 239 College Street. Members of the Toronto Public Library Foundation Board are also invited.

**01-20 Adjournment**

*Moved by R. Chopowick, seconded by M. Ibrahim, and carried:  
That the Toronto Public Library Board meeting be adjourned.*

The meeting ended at 1:20 p.m.

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