



## MINUTES

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### **Toronto Public Library Board**

**Meeting No. 6: Monday, June 10, 2002, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:10 p.m.**

**Toronto City Hall, Committee Room #2, 100 Queen Street West, Toronto**

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#### **Members Present:**

Ms. Gillian Mason (Chair)  
Mr. Rick Goldsmith (Vice-Chair)  
Councillor Maria Augimeri  
Mr. Bill Booth  
Mr. Meyer Brownstone  
Councillor Mike Feldman  
Ms. Mizan Ibrahim  
Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong  
Mr. Mark Nightingale  
Councillor Kyle Rae  
Councillor Jane Pitfield

#### **Regrets:**

Councillor Olivia Chow  
Councillor Joe Mihevc  
Ms. Marjorie Stephenson  
Mr. Mitchell Weisberg

#### **02-100 Call to Order**

Gillian Mason called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

#### **02-101 Approval of Agenda**

*Moved by M. Nightingale, seconded by M. Ibrahim, and carried:  
That the agenda be approved.*

#### **02-102 Declarations of Interest**

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

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**02-103 Approval of May 13, 2002 Toronto Public Library Board Meeting Minutes**

*Moved by M. Brownstone, seconded by M. Nightingale, and carried:*

*That the minutes of the May 13, 2002 Toronto Public Library Board meeting be approved.*

**02-104 Business Arising**

There was no business arising.

**02-105 Chair's Report**

Gillian Mason reported the following details regarding Library activities:

- a) Josephine Bryant, City Librarian, received the Jubilee Award for 2002 from the University of Toronto – Faculty of Information Studies Alumni Association. The award is presented annually in recognition of distinguished contributions to the library profession.
- b) A series of TPL staff meetings are being conducted by the City Librarian at library locations around the city to congratulate staff on the successes of TPL since amalgamation.
- c) TPL's newest bookmobile will be officially launched on June 11, at 11:00 a.m. at City Hall with Councillor Olivia Chow representing the Library Board and City Council. Approximately \$100,000 of the cost of the bookmobile was donated by the Catherine and Maxwell Meighan Foundation along with other generous individuals.
- d) The Leaside Neighbourhood Branch Library will be officially reopened on June 11 at 7:00 p.m. The branch has benefited financially from the proceeds from Councillor Pitfield's book about the history of Leaside as well as a \$30,000 gift from the Rotary Club.
- e) The TPL Foundation's annual spring fundraising campaign is underway. This year's goal is \$60,000.
- f) *Young Voices*, a collection of poetry, short stories and artwork by young people ages 12 to 19 published by the Toronto Public Library, will be available in all Library branches and to all post-primary school students in Toronto.

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**Chair's Report** (continued)

- h) The *Settlement and Education Partnerships in Toronto* program in Toronto schools from September to June, moves to 22 libraries in Toronto when the schools close later in June. Funded by Citizenship and Immigration Canada, the program sees settlement workers helping newcomers find relevant community programs and resources, including Library programs and services.
- i) The Kids @ Computers partnership between TPL and Community and Neighbourhood Services at the City will continue year-round. Over the next two years, it is expected that 2,000 new computers will be distributed by the City to families in need. The Library will train the 4,500 children who will benefit from the project.
- j) A recent note received from author Margaret Atwood thanked librarians for nominating *The Blind Assassin* for the IMPAC award.
- k) 15th Anniversary celebrations were held recently at North York Central Library. Councillor John Filion attended the event from the City of Toronto Council.
- l) Leslie McGrath, Head of the Osborne Collection of Early Children's Books was quoted in a Global TV news segment on May 30 about the death of Caroline Keene, creator of the Nancy Drew series of books.
- m) The Board Chair will attend the Toronto City Summit 2002 at the end of June.

It was:

***Moved by Councillor Augimeri, seconded by B. Booth, and carried:  
That the Chair's Report be received for information.***

**02-106 Presentations**

There were no presentations.

**02-107 Communications**

There were no communications.

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**Items for Information:****02-108 Operating Budget Monitoring Report – April 30, 2002***Moved by M. Ibrahim, seconded by Councillor Pitfield, and carried:**That the Toronto Public Library Board receive for information the Operating Budget Monitoring Report – April 30, 2002.***02-109 Requests for Reconsideration of Library Materials – 2001 Annual Report***Moved by Councillor Feldman, seconded by M. Nightingale, and carried:**That the Toronto Public Library Board receive for information the Requests for Reconsideration of Library Materials – 2001 Annual Report.***Items for Approval:****02-110 Jane Sheppard Neighbourhood Branch Library – Possible Relocation***Moved by M. Brownstone, seconded by B. Booth, and carried:**That:*

- (1) *The Toronto Public Library Board endorse the relocation of the Jane Sheppard branch to a City-owned property at 1900 Sheppard Avenue West and that the branch meet the minimum standard for neighbourhood branches;*
- (2) *The Jane Sheppard branch relocation be included in the Library's 2003 – 2007 capital program at minimal or no net cost to the Library or the City of Toronto; and*
- (3) *Staff report to the next Board meeting on options for accommodating the Jane Sheppard relocation with minimal or no impact on the capital and operating budgets of the Library and the City.*

**02-111 Maryvale Neighbourhood Branch Library – Lease Renewal***Moved by Councillor Minnan-Wong, seconded by B. Booth, and carried:**That the Toronto Public Library Board approve a lease renewal for the Maryvale Neighbourhood Branch Library with 590427 Ontario Limited for a period of five (5) years:*

- (1) *For the first two (2) years at an annual base rent cost of \$75,688, plus an estimated annual common area maintenance cost of \$40,398 for a total annual lease cost of \$116,086, taxes included;*
- (2) *For the following three (3) years at an annual base rent cost of \$85,148, plus an estimated annual common area maintenance cost of \$40,398 for a total annual lease cost of \$125,546, taxes included.*

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**02-112 Black Creek Neighbourhood Branch Renovation – Leasehold Improvements – Award of Tender***Moved by Councillor Augimeri, seconded by M. Ibrahim, and carried:**That the Toronto Public Library Board award a contract to the lowest bidder, Finspan Construction Limited, to renovate Unit #63 at North York Sheridan Mall, at a cost of \$468,236 (including GST).***02-113 Applicability and Implementation Plan for Recommendations Contained in the City Auditor's Report (June 28, 2001) – Selection And Hiring of Professional Consulting Services Review***Moved by B. Booth, seconded by M. Brownstone, and carried:**That the Toronto Public Library Board:*

- (1) *Receive the Applicability and Implementation Plan for Recommendations Contained in the City Auditor's Report (June 28, 2001) – Selection and Hiring of Professional and Consulting Services Review report for information; and*
- (2) *Forward this report to the City Audit Committee.*

**02-114 Auditorium, Meeting Room and Theatre Rental Policy – Report on Fee Category for Frequent, Long-Term Meeting Room Users***Moved by Councillor Minnan-Wong, seconded by Councillor Feldman, and carried:**That the Toronto Public Library Board:*

- (1) *Not implement an annual flat fee structure for long-term, weekly meeting room users; and*
- (2) *Approve the three-year phase-in option for non-profit users who, effective June 10, 2002, currently do not pay at the rates approved at the January 21, 2002 meeting.*

**02-115 In Camera Meeting***At 7:00 p.m. it was:**Moved by M. Ibrahim, seconded by M. Nightingale, and carried:**That the Toronto Public Library Board meet In Camera due to the discussion of subjects being considered where the Board is of the opinion that intimate financial matters and/or personal matters may be disclosed at the meeting.*

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**02-116 Adoption of Actions Taken In Camera**

*Moved by B. Booth, seconded by M. Brownstone, and carried:*

*That the Library Board adopt the actions taken in the In Camera session.*

**02-117 Adjournment**

*Moved by M. Ibrahim, seconded by M. Nightingale, and carried:*

*That the Toronto Public Library Board meeting be adjourned.*

The meeting ended at 7:10 p.m.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_