



Toronto Public Library Board – Naming Committee

Draft Meeting Minutes

Meeting Details

Meeting Number: 01

Date: Thursday, April 2, 2026

Time: 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Location: via WebEx and Teleconference

Members Present (via WebEx)

Jonathan Hoss

Amina Mohamed

Deputy Mayor Amber Morley

Regrets

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NC Call to Order

26-001 Moe Hosseini-Ara, City Librarian, called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m. and welcomed all to the meeting.

Moe recognized that it is important to acknowledge that the land on which Toronto Public Library is located is Indigenous. He indicated this is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, the Wendat, and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

Toronto Public Library gratefully acknowledges these Indigenous nations for their guardianship of this land.

Moe then introduced the participants in the meeting.

NC Election of Chair of the Naming Committee

26-002 Moe Hosseini-Ara called for nominations for the Chair of the Naming Committee.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Amber Morley:

That:

1. *Jonathan Hoss be nominated for Chair.*

Jonathan agreed to stand for election.

There being no further nominations, it was:

Moved by Amina Mohamed:

That the Naming Committee:

1. *closes nominations.*

Carried

Moe Hosseini-Ara declared Jonathan Hoss duly elected Chair of the Naming Committee by acclamation.

Jonathan Hoss assumed the Chair.

NC Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

26-003 There were no *Declarations of Conflicts of Interest* by members of the Naming Committee.

NC Approval of Agenda

26-004 ***Moved by Amina Mohamed:***

That the Naming Committee:

1. *approves the agenda.*

Carried

NC Communications

26-005 There were no *Communications* items at the April 2, 2026 meeting.

NC Presentations

26-006 There were no *Presentations* items at the April 2, 2026 meeting.

Items for Action

NC Naming Opportunity at the Dufferin/St. Clair Branch: Nancy Byers

26-007 Children's Room

Shawn Mitchell, Director, Policy, Planning & Performance Management, delivered a presentation that introduced the roles and responsibilities of the Naming Committee and reviewed highlights of the Naming Opportunity at the Dufferin/St. Clair Branch: Nancy Byers Children's Room report.

Moved by *Amina Mohamed:*

That *the Naming Committee:*

1. *approves the name of the Children's Room at the Dufferin/St. Clair Branch as the Nancy Byers Children's Room, and recommends this naming to the Toronto Public Library Board for approval.*

Carried

NC Closed Meeting

26-008 At 4.17 p.m., it was:

Moved by *Deputy Mayor Amber Morley:*

That *the Naming Committee:*

1. *conducts a Closed meeting as the subject matter being considered (Naming Opportunities – Relocated St. Lawrence Branch, 339 Queen Street East – confidential attachment; and Potential New Branch – Naming Opportunity – confidential attachment) involves the security of the property of the Board. Public Libraries Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P. 44, s. 16.1(4).*

Carried

At 4:35 p.m., the Naming Committee resumed its meeting in public.

NC Adoption of Closed Meeting Actions: Naming Opportunities
26-009 Relocated St. Lawrence Branch, 339 Queen Street East

Moved by Deputy Mayor Amber Morley:

That the Naming Committee:

1. *adopts the confidential recommendations in Confidential Attachment 1 for consideration at the April 20, 2026 TPL Board meeting; and*
2. *recommend that the Board authorize the public release of Confidential Attachment 1, following completion of negotiations, finalization of appropriate approvals, and release of public announcements.*

Carried

NC Adoption of Closed Meeting Actions: Potential New Branch – Naming
26-010 Opportunity

Moved by Amina Mohamed:

That the Naming Committee:

1. *adopts the confidential recommendations in Confidential Attachment 1 for consideration at the April 20, 2026 TPL Board meeting; and*
2. *recommend that the Board authorize the public release of Confidential Attachment 1, following completion of negotiations, finalization of appropriate approvals, and release of public announcements.*

Carried

NC Adjournment

26-011 Moved by Amina Mohamed:

That the Naming Committee:

1. *adjourns the April 2, 2026 meeting.*

Carried

The meeting ended at 4:36 p.m.

Signed: _____