

**PEACE LIBRARY SYSTEM
BOARD MEETING MINUTES, VIA ZOOM
NOVEMBER 27, 2021**

Present:	Carolyn Kolebaba, Chair	Northern Sunrise County (in person)
	Cindy Hockley	Village of Berwyn
	Ann Stewart	Big Lakes County
	Denise Joudrey	Birch Hills County
	Amber Bean	Clear Hills County
	Dalen Richardson	MD of Fairview No. 136
	Stan Golob	Town of Fairview
	Lindsay Brown	Town of Falher
	Meesha Bainton	Town of Fox Creek
	Mike O'Connor	City of Grande Prairie
	Karen Rosvold	County of Grande Prairie No. 1
	Tom Burton	MD of Greenview No. 16
	Alison Bjornson	Village of Hines Creek
	Brad Pearson	MD of Lesser Slave River No. 124
	Greg Pasichnuk	Town of Manning
	Margaret Jacob	Town of McLennan
	Belinda Halabisky	County of Northern Lights
	Tahirih Wiebe	MD of Opportunity No. 17
	Theresa Johnson	MD of Peace No. 135
	Elaine Manzer	Town of Peace River
	Roxann Dreger	Village of Rycroft
	Clinton Froehlick	Town of Sexsmith
	Kimberly Hughes	Town of Slave Lake
	Elaine Garrow	MD of Spirit River No. 133 (in person)
	Harry Ezio	Town of Spirit River
Tanya Boman	Town of Valleyview	
Anna Underwood	Town of Wembley	
Regrets:	Brent Anderson	Town of High Level
	James Waikle	Town of High Prairie
	Vacant	Village of Donnelly
	Vacant	Village of Girouxville
	Vacant	Village of Nampa
Absent:	Gena Jones	Town of Beaverlodge
	Carmen Johnson	Town of Grimshaw
	Reta Nooskey	Paddle Prairie Métis Settlement
	Michelle Farris	Town of Rainbow Lake
	Kristen Smith	Saddle Hills County
	Alain Blanchette	MD of Smoky River No. 130
Staff:	Louisa Robison, CEO	
	Alrene Dempster, Executive Assistant (minutes)	
	Katherine Wiebe, Deputy CEO	
	Emma Stewart, Consulting Services Manager	
	Janet Ayles, IT & Technical Services Manager	

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m. and conducted roll call.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Chair called for additions or deletions to the agenda.

MOTION: B21-058 To approve the agenda as presented.

Moved by: B. Halabisky CARRIED

3. PEACE LIBRARY SYSTEM ORIENTATION

The CEO provided an overview of Peace Library System (PLS). She reviewed PLS membership, partnerships, and the services that are available to member libraries. She then reviewed the revenue and expenditures for 2021 explaining the percentage breakdown for revenue sources as well as the allocation of expenditures by percentage.

MOTION: B21-059 To forward a copy of the Peace Library System power point orientation to board members.

Moved by: T. Wiebe CARRIED

4. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

4.1 BOARD AND COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

The Chair turned the meeting over to the Nomination Committee, Elaine Garrow, to proceed with the election process.

4.2 ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A. Dempster explained that the Executive Committee consists of ten members, two of which are automatic appointees as per Peace Library System bylaws: County of Grande Prairie and City of Grande Prairie. The names of members willing to serve on the Executive Committee were reviewed: Amber Bean (Clear Hills County); Elaine Garrow (MD of Spirit River); Stan Golob (Town of Fairview); Belinda Halabisky (County of Northern Lights); Cindy Hockley (Village of Berwyn); Denise Joudrey (Birch Hills County); Carolyn Kolebaba (Northern Sunrise County); Mike O'Connor (City of Grande Prairie); Dalen Richardson (MD of Fairview); and Karen Rosvold (County of Grande Prairie).

There were three calls for nominations from the floor.

MOTION: B21-060 That nominations for the Executive Committee cease.

Moved by: T. Burton CARRIED

MOTION: B21-061 That the Executive Committee for 2021-2022 will consist of: Amber Bean (Clear Hills County); Elaine Garrow (MD of Spirit River); Stan Golob (Town of Fairview); Belinda Halabisky (County of Northern Lights); Cindy Hockley (Village of Berwyn); Denise Joudrey (Birch Hills County); Carolyn Kolebaba (Northern Sunrise County); Mike O'Connor (City of Grande Prairie); Dalen Richardson (MD of Fairview) and Karen Rosvold (County of Grande Prairie).

Moved by: M. Bainton CARRIED

4.3 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

E. Garrow explained that the Chair must be chosen from the Executive Committee. She reported that Carolyn Kolebaba is willing to let her name stand as Chair.

There were three calls for nominations from the floor for position of Chair.

MOTION: B21-062 That nominations for position of Chair cease.

Moved by: M. O'Connor CARRIED

MOTION: B21-063 That the Chair for 2021-2022 will be Carolyn Kolebaba (Northern Sunrise County).

Moved by: B. Halabisky CARRIED

E. Garrow explained that the Vice-Chair must be chosen from the Executive Committee.

MOTION: B21-064 To nominate Belinda Halabisky (County of Northern Lights) as Vice-Chair.

Moved by: C. Kolebaba CARRIED

There were three calls for nominations from the floor for position of Vice-Chair.

MOTION: B21-065 That nominations for Vice-Chair cease.

Moved by: A. Stewart CARRIED

MOTION: B21-066 That the Vice-Chair for 2021-2022 will be Belinda Halabisky (County of Northern Lights).

Moved by: B. Pearson CARRIED

4.4 ELECTION OF PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

E. Garrow explained that the Personnel Committee meets once or twice a year. The committee consists of five members with a minimum of one and a maximum of two members from the Executive Committee. The names of those willing to serve on the committee were reviewed: Elaine Garrow (MD of Spirit River); Belinda Halabisky (County of Northern Lights); Theresa Johnson (MD of Peace); Denise Joudrey (Birch Hills County); Elaine Manzer (Town of Peace River) and Tahirih Wiebe (MD of Opportunity).

There were three calls for nominations from the floor.

MOTION: B21-067 That nominations for the Personnel Committee cease.

Moved by: R. Dreger CARRIED

A link was provided for voting. Votes were tallied and verified by E. Stewart and K. Wiebe.

MOTION: B21-068 To destroy all ballots.

Moved by: R. Dreger CARRIED

MOTION: B21-069 That the Personnel Committee for 2021-2022 will consist of: Elaine Garrow (MD of Spirit River); Belinda Halabisky (County of Northern Lights); Theresa Johnson (MD of Peace); Elaine Manzer (Town of Peace River) and Tahirih Wiebe (MD of Opportunity).

Moved by: R. Dreger CARRIED

4.5 ELECTION OF PLAN OF SERVICE COMMITTEE

E. Garrow explained that the Plan of Service Committee meets once or twice a year, or more often as required. The committee consists of five members with a minimum of one and a maximum of two members from the Executive Committee. The names of those willing to serve on the committee were reviewed: Meesha Bainton (Town of Fox Creek); Tanya Boman (Town of Valleyview); Stan Golob (Town of Fairview); Karen Rosvold (County of Grande Prairie) and Ann Stewart (Big Lakes County).

There were three calls for nominations from the floor.

MOTION: B21-070 That nominations for the Plan of Service Committee cease.

Moved by: B. Pearson CARRIED

MOTION: B21-071 That the Plan of Service Committee for 2021-2022 will consist of: Meesha Bainton (Town of Fox Creek); Tanya Boman (Town of Valleyview); Stan Golob (Town of Fairview); Karen Rosvold (County of Grande Prairie) and Ann Stewart (Big Lakes County).

Moved by: R. Dreger CARRIED

The Nominations Committee turned the meeting over to the Chair, Carolyn Kolebaba.

4.6 BOARD SIGNING AUTHORITIES

The CEO reported that according to the Peace Library System (PLS) Finance Policy, two signatures are required on all cheques against the General Operating and U.S. dollar bank accounts. Cheques are signed mid-month and at the end of the month. At least one of the two signatures for these accounts must be that of a designated board member. The CEO reported that the following are current signing authorities from Peace Library System staff: Louisa Robison, CEO; Katherine Wiebe, Deputy CEO; Janet Ayles, IT & Technical Services Manager.

MOTION: B21-072 To remove Katherine Wiebe as a cheque signing authority for ATB Financial accounts 719-00730280024 and 719-00730280075 effective December 31, 2021. To add Emma Stewart as a cheque signing authority for ATB Financial accounts 719-00730280024 and 719-00730280075 November 30, 2021.

Moved by: A. Stewart CARRIED

She went on to explain that the Chair must be a signing authority for financial and contractual purposes. Up to three additional board members may be appointed as signing authorities for cheque-signing purposes. It is most convenient if they live in or close to Grande Prairie. Currently, the board signing authorities are as follows: Carolyn Kolebaba (Northern Sunrise County); Linda Waddy (County of Grande Prairie); Chris Thiessen (City of Grande Prairie) and Anna Underwood (Town of Wembley).

MOTION: B21-073 To remove Linda Waddy and Chris Thiessen as cheque signing authorities for ATB Financial accounts 719-00730280024 and 719-00730280075 effective December 1, 2021. To add Karen Rosvold (County of Grande Prairie) and Mike O'Connor (City of Grande Prairie) as cheque signing authorities for ATB Financial accounts 719-00730280024 and 719-00730280075 effective December 1, 2021

Moved by: E. Manzer CARRIED

MOTION: B21-074 That the signing authorities for ATB Financial accounts 719-00730280024 and 719-00730280075 will be:
Carolyn Kolebaba, Northern Sunrise County
Mike O’Connor, City of Grande Prairie
Karen Rosvold, County of Grande Prairie
Anna Underwood, Town of Wembley
Louisa Robison, CEO
Janet Ayles, IT & Technical Services Manager
Emma Stewart, Consulting Services Manager

Moved by: E. Manzer CARRIED

5. MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 18, 2021 MEETING

The Chair called for errors or omissions to the minutes.

MOTION: B21-075 To accept the minutes of the September 18, 2021 meeting as presented.

Moved by: S. Golob CARRIED

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

MOTION: B21-076 To forward a copy of the letter sent to the Utilities Commission to all Board members.

Moved by: T. Burton CARRIED

7. REPORTS

7.1 CEO’s

L. Robison provided highlights from her written report. She reported that Marigold Library System have completed their move into their new building in Strathmore and have set April 30 as an official grand opening date.

She reported that the water problem in the loading dock resulting in some rotting wall board has been completed and quotes are being sought for the repairs to the outside.

The CEO reported they now have two Indigenous outreach people based out of High Prairie, Candace Cardinal and Kaylee Calliou. She said C. Cardinal has contacted staff at Grimshaw library to exchange ideas and contacts. Valleyview has a new part time worker on staff who is a member of the Sturgeon Lake Band, and she will be taking programming to that reserve. The CEO reported that an Indigenous Outreach Report will be added to future Board agendas.

The CEO has been setting up visits with member libraries as well as offering member councils a Peace Library System orientation.

7.2 CHAIR'S

C. Kolebaba reported she has attended a virtual Public Library Services Branch (PLSB) Red Tape Reduction workshop. She said the PLBS has kept libraries well informed on the ever-changing pandemic restrictions.

7.3 TECHNICAL SERVICES

J. Ayles provided highlights from her written report. She reported that they are preparing for year end and all Acquisitions activity will be suspended in Polaris on December 10. Once all the final reports are run, they will run the rollover utility in Polaris.

With the increased ordering from the Grande Prairie Catholic School Division, they are also experiencing a slight backlog in Cataloguing as well.

They are looking at increasing the number of delivery stops to some of the libraries that used to receive direct Government Courier service. With the change to the current delivery model, those libraries were reduced to one delivery a week, which has been an adjustment for both library staff and patrons. They hope to launch any changes early in 2022.

7.4 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) SERVICES

J. Ayles provided highlights from her written report. She reported the goal for the department is to refresh the written Polaris documentation and include videos and provide more information for library staff. They will be using Niche Academy to host the new documentation and content allowing library managers to access it and complete training modules remotely.

The IT Department has been working with ACSI to build an Incident Response Plan to cover any cybersecurity attacks they may face. They are able to take advantage of group pricing as all TRAC systems are working on their own IR plans.

J. Ayles reported that they have made some changes to the wifi network configuration. They have created a new BYOD (bring your own device) network for HQ and in the libraries. This will be for staff and guest owned devices. The staff network will be restricted to PLS-managed devices such as laptops.

7.5 CONSULTING SERVICES

K. Wiebe provided highlights from her report. She reported that she is retiring in December and Emma Stewart is the successful applicant for the Consulting Services Manager position. Emma joined Peace Library System in 2015 as a Consultant Librarian and has a great foundation in system activities and a good rapport with our libraries. She also reported that Duncan Lotoski has been hired as of December

1st and will be focusing on eResources and training and Mallory Bruinsma has also been hired and will start on December 2nd focusing on coordinating the Conference, a marketing campaign, a quarterly newsletter, and website content management.

K. Wiebe reported that consulting visits are continuing in-person and virtually through December. They will also host two virtual Coffee Chats in December to introduce the new consulting staff to libraries before Christmas.

A very successful fall marketing campaign ran on Facebook over the month of October. This was PLS's first time managing its own digital marketing campaign, so in the future they look forward to using this as a tool for membership drives and other promotional campaigns.

7.6 THE ALBERTA LIBRARY (TAL)

L. Robison reported that TAL is implementing the results of their operational review, which was to examine both its day to day functions and its long-term goals to see how well positioned they are to achieve them. Many things have changed in the library scene since TAL was first incorporated and some operations are no longer feasible or required. One of the outcomes was the elimination of their admin position, which has already been done. They are also looking into their pay grids and the requirements of their workers, such as implementing remote work where possible to eliminate office space.

7.7 THE ALBERTA LIBRARY TRUSTEES' ASSOCIATION (ALTA)

D. Joudrey reported that ALTA met virtually on November 18. They have launched a power point explaining what ALTA is. The power point as well as the Trustee Voice Newsletter have been distributed to members. She said the next coffee chat is scheduled for December 7 and to register early. D. Joudrey asked members to check out the Webinar Series listed under the Trustee Toolkit tab on the ALTA website.

7.8 THE REGIONAL AUTOMATION CONSORTIUM (TRAC)

L. Robison reported that the TRAC partners were planning for a TRAC Advisory Group meeting for 5 October, but it has since been postponed until probably spring of 2022. Topics for conversation will be the future of Polaris delivery (desktop installations versus cloud) and a Polaris training session on their new cloud-based system. It will be the first since 2019 and will likely be at the Yellowhead Regional Library since they're the most central.

TRAC is working on a sharing agreement with Parkland Regional Library (PRL), Edmonton Public Library (EPL) and Calgary Public Library (CPL) for Overdrive e-books and e-audiobooks. The user will be able to borrow within both TRAC and PRL any resource that is available at that time and that does not have any holds or patrons waiting in their home library system. The go-live date for the PRL agreement has been set for 1 December. No date has been set yet for the EPL and CPL go live dates. She added that the TRAC budget has been approved for 2022, with no significant variations.

MOTION: B21-077 To receive items 7.1 – 7.8 for information.

Moved by: B. Pearson CARRIED

8. EXECUTIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE

8.1 DRAFT MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 16, 2021 MEETING

MOTION: B21-078 To receive the draft minutes of the October 16, 2021 Executive Committee meeting for information with corrections noted.

Moved by: B. Halabisky CARRIED

8.2 FINANCIAL STATEMENT– SEPTEMBER, 2021

The CEO reported that this is the most current financial statement that the Executive committee has approved. For the benefit of the new members she explained the line items in more detail. She reported that revenue will not reach 100% due to schools pulling out of the system part way through the year. She said that it was confirmed with the Public Library Services Branch (PLSB) that the Indigenous Grant can be carried over to 2022. The CEO reported that travel costs are down throughout the year due mainly to pandemic restrictions. She explained the computer software licensing and maintenance expenses are paid at the end of the year and will be reflected in the next financial statement. She explained the printing of library support materials is higher due to the need of more patron library cards for member libraries. She reported that adding the two Indigenous workers from High Prairie to staff has put the WCB over budget. She added that most expenses are where they should be for this time of year.

MOTION: B21-079 To accept the September 2021 Financial Statement for information.

Moved by: E. Garrow CARRIED

8.3 FINANCIAL FORECAST TO DECEMBER 31, 2021

The CEO reported that a surplus of about \$86,000 is expected for the end of 2021. She said that this will all be transferred to capital reserves. The lack of an in-person conference, the lack of spending on in-person meetings and the lower than expected spending on the external courier service contributed to this additional amount, as well as savings across departments due to pandemic restrictions. She highlighted significant variances in expenditures in 2021 resulting in an estimated \$363,000 less expenditures than budgeted of which about \$260,000 in Indigenous Outreach grant will be carried to 2022. She reported that with \$61,300 less revenue plus \$103,000 less expenses leaves approximately \$41,700 to move to reserves along with the already budgeted for \$47,272 from the approved 2021 operating budget.

MOTION: B21-080 To accept the Financial Forecast to December 31, 2021 for information.

Moved by: B. Halabisky CARRIED

8.4 DRAFT 2022 OPERATING BUDGET

The Board asked that corrections be made and a corrected budget be forwarded to them via email on Monday, November 29. A link to vote will be included with a deadline to respond by Tuesday, November 30. Once all responses have been received and the 2022 Operating Budget is approved, a copy of the budget will be sent to all member municipalities. It was requested that an explanation be included explaining why populations figures used for local appropriations are billed using different years than the provincial government uses to pay operating grants.

MOTION: B21-081 To send the Draft 2022 Operating Budget back to administration for amendments and send the corrected 2022 Operating Budget via email to the Board with a voting link to approve or oppose.

Moved by: T. Burton CARRIED

The Chair recessed the meeting for a wellness break at 1:16 pm.
The Chair reconvened the meeting at 1:45 pm.

8.5 TRANSFERS FROM RESERVES FOR 2021

The CEO reported the several capital expenditures were approved for 2021 and are now complete. Some operating expenditures such as facility upgrades are also paid from reserves. The amounts to be deducted from each reserve are ratified prior to year end through a Board motion.

MOTION: B21-082: To approve the following Transfers from Reserves for 2021:

<u>Technology Reserve</u>	<u>up to \$8,200</u>
<u>Furnishing/Equipment Reserve</u>	<u>up to \$4,000</u>
<u>Building Reserve</u>	<u>up to \$4,000.</u>

Moved by: B. Halabisky CARRIED

8.6 DRAFT 2022 CAPITAL BUDGET

The CEO reviewed the revenue expected for 2022 as well as the expected capital purchases.

MOTION: B21-083 To approve the 2022 Capital Budget as presented.

Moved by: E. Manzer CARRIED

8.7 DRAFT WORKING FROM HOME POLICY
8.7.1 DRAFT WORKING FROM HOME POLICY SCHEDULE A

The CEO reported that this is a new policy and Peace Library System understands that some employees may benefit from working at home rather than in the office. This could be as part of the employee's regular work arrangement or in the case of health, safety or weather events such as pandemics or extraordinary weather. She added that a work from home arrangement is not meant to take the place of regular daycare, out of school care or elder care. The CEO reported that employees seeking approval to work from home must submit Schedule A to their supervisor.

MOTION: B21-084 To approve the draft Working from Home Policy and Schedule A as presented.

Moved by: S. Golob CARRIED

8.8 REVISED STAFF RECOGNITION POLICY

The CEO reported that it was required to add another line to the long service awards since Peace Library System staff are getting closer to the 35 years of service.

MOTION: B21-085 To approve the revised Staff Recognition Policy as presented.

Moved by: E. Garrow CARRIED

8.9 NEW SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

The CEO reported that this policy is to ensure that the use of online social media addresses the service objectives of Peace Library System in a manner consistent with its mission, vision and values. And that all representatives of Peace Library System will adhere to the Peace Library Board's policies when posting to work or personal social media, including the Confidentiality Policy and the Violence and Harassment Policy.

MOTION: B21-086 To approve the Social Media Policy as presented.

Moved by: B. Pearson CARRIED

8.10 REVISED ALLOTMENT FUND POLICY

The CEO reported the only change to this policy was regarding mass market fiction and paperback fiction books that are sent in for cataloguing and processing through vouchers. If the value is under \$20, they will be catalogued but not processed.

MOTION: B21-087 To approve the revised Allotment Fund Policy as presented.

Moved by: R. Dreger CARRIED

8.11 REVISED PROVISION OF LIBRARY MATERIALS TO PERSONS UNABLE TO USE CONVENTIONAL PRINT

This policy was reviewed and no changes were recommended.

MOTION: B21-088 To approve the Provision of Library Materials to Persons Unable to Use Conventional Print Policy as presented.

Moved by: B. Halabisky CARRIED

8.12 DRAFT CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT FOR LIBRARY SERVICE POINTS

The CEO reported that this agreement should be reviewed and signed by all library managers, staff members, and volunteers who are working with the public and have access to confidential information/Polaris at the outset of their engagement with the library.

MOTION: B21-089 To approve the draft Confidentiality Agreement for Library Service Points as presented.

Moved by: K. Rosvold CARRIED

8.13 NEW SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY FOR LIBRARY SERVICE POINTS

The CEO reported that the purpose of this policy is to ensure that the use of online social media addresses the service objectives of Peace Library System's Service Point libraries in a manner consistent with its mission, vision and values.

MOTION: B21-090 To approve the Social Media Policy for Library Service Points as presented.

Moved by: M. O'Connor CARRIED

8.14 2021 AUDIT PROPOSALS

The CEO reported that Fulcrum Group has been Peace Library System's auditor for 2018-2020. As per the Boards request, RFP's were sent to three firms in the city who advertised that they did non-profit audits. She said only one responded, and the current auditor submitted a proposal. She reviewed the proposals from MNP LLP and Fulcrum Group.

MOTION: E21-091 That Peace Library System engage MNP LLP for the 2021 audit.

Moved by: E. Manzer CARRIED
(K. Rosvold disclosed conflict of interest and refrained from discussion and voting.)

8.15 CEO GOALS 2021-2022

MOTION: B21-092 To go in camera at 2:13 p.m.

Moved by: T. Johnson CARRIED

A. Dempster, K. Wiebe, E. Stewart and J. Ayles left the meeting.

MOTION: B21-093 To come out of in camera at 2:17 p.m.

Moved by: E. Garrow CARRIED

A. Dempster, K. Wiebe, E. Stewart and J. Ayles rejoined the meeting.

MOTION: B21-094 To approve the CEO Goals for 2021 – 2022.

Moved by: E. Garrow CARRIED

9. PLAN OF SERVICE COMMITTEE

9.1 DRAFT MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 18, 2021 MEETING

MOTION: B21-095 To defer the draft minutes of the September 18, 2021 Plan of Service Committee meeting to the next Board meeting.

Moved by: R. Dreger CARRIED

9.2 PLAN OF SERVICE 2022-2024

The CEO reported that the Plan of Service is a collaboration with member library boards and staff. She said once approved it will be distributed to member municipalities and library boards.

MOTION: B21-096 To approve for distribution the Plan of Service 2022-2024.

Moved by: T. Johnson CARRIED

10. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

10.1 DRAFT MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 7, 2021 MEETING

MOTION: B21-097 To receive the draft minutes of the October 7, 2021 Personnel Committee Meeting for information.

Moved by: E. Manzer CARRIED

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1 LOCAL APPROPRIATION REVIEW

L Robison reported that the municipal fee of \$6.37 per capita will need to be reviewed to keep the organization in a good financial position within two years. Discussion was held regarding history, rates and the impact of the Government operating grant on the revenue of the organization. A schedule of proposed fee increases was presented for consideration.

MOTION: B21-098 To send a letter to the Minister of Municipal Affairs requesting Government use current population figures when paying Operating Grants and to cc the letter to member Municipalities, MLAs and member library boards.

Moved by: B. Pearson CARRIED

MOTION: B21-099 To receive the Local Appropriation Review report for information and future consideration.

Moved by: K. Hughes CARRIED

11.2 STRONGER TOGETHER VIRTUAL CONFERENCE WRAP UP REPORT

E. Stewart reported that the conference was held virtually again this year, with Peace Library System, Parkland Regional Library System, Yellowhead Regional Library System, and The Alberta Library partnering together to provide an amazing conference on September 22-24. The Committee received positive feedback from some smaller libraries that do not have the time or budget to attend in-person who appreciated being able to participate in many virtual sessions at their desk. However, they have also heard from many libraries who have missed the in-person contact of the Rural Libraries Conference, so they are considering collaborative avenues for a hybrid in-person/virtual conference in 2022.

MOTION: B21-100 To receive the Stronger Together Virtual Conference Wrap up Report for information.

Moved by: G. Pasichnuk CARRIED

12. FOR INFORMATION

12.1 Peace Library System News & Notes, Winter 2021

MOTION: B21-101 To receive item 12.1 for information.

Moved by: A. Bean CARRIED

13. MEMBERS' BUSINESS/ROUND ROBIN

Information on upcoming events and activities was shared around the table.

14. NEXT MEETINGS

Executive: January 22, 2022 (TBA)

Board: February 26, 2022 (TBA)

Executive: April 23, 2022 (TBA)

Board: May 28, 2022 (TBA)

Executive: July 23, 2022 (TBA)

Board: September 17, 2022 (TBA)

Executive: October 22, 2022 (TBA)

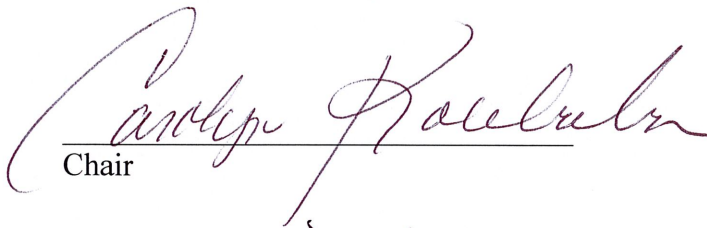
Board/Christmas Party: November 26, 2022(Grande Prairie)

15. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: B21-102 To adjourn the meeting at 2:59 p.m.

Moved by: M. O'Connor

CARRIED



Chair



CEO

February 26, 2022
Date