



# Board Meeting Highlights February 26, 2022 (via Zoom)

This summary is designed to keep you informed about Peace Library System (PLS) activities and Board decisions. It is distributed to member councils, library boards and the PLS Board of Directors after each Board meeting.

The Board held a full Board meeting on 26 February over Zoom.

The CEO reported that the year-end rollover was completed and Technical Services is now operating on FY2022. Presentations to councils have nearly been completed, and when they're done she will start visits to library boards. The first half of grant payments to service point libraries have been sent. Municipal Affairs announced that library grants would remain the same levels and using 2016 population figures into 2022. Finally, the TRAC Advisory Council meeting has been scheduled for May 2022.

The Consulting Services Manager reported consulting visits continued through the fall and winter both in person and virtual and that the two new consultants have settled in and are doing visits as well. She reported that LibPAS reports were being completed for all member libraries as well as the service point libraries. TD Summer Reading club planning is underway with the theme of "Once Upon A Time". She reported on e-resource usages statistics and on the planning for the 2022 conference.

The IT Services Manager reported that Polaris clean-up work is being done to clear out old records. Staff have been working on a workstation inventory and a reconfiguration of the wi-fi networks. The PLS-Staff network has been retired as of February. The final upgrades to SuperNet 2.0 are nearly finished and should be completed by March.

The Technical Services Manager reported that acquisitions had slowed down over the Christmas break but is now picking up, and that cataloguing is working through a small backlog now. As well, the revised courier routes have been well received and are working well.

Revisions were approved for the following policies: *Working Alone Policy, Alberta Library (TAL) Card Policy.*

Additionally, end of the year allotment fund balances were reviewed, the Indigenous Services report was reviewed and the server replacement project for TRAC was discussed, as was that the Province would not be funding RBDigital anymore, since it has been absorbed by Overdrive, and instead used the funds to supplement the Overdrive e-magazine fee for 2022.

**Present:**

- Carolyn Kolebaba, Chair
- Gena Jones
- Ann Stewart
- Denise Joudrey
- Amber Bean
- Dalen Richardson
- Stan Golob
- Meesha Bainton
- Mike O'Connor
- Tom Burton
- Alison Bjornson
- Brad Pearson
- Greg Pasichnuk
- Margaret Jacob
- Agnus Roshuk
- Tahirih Wiebe
- Theresa Johnson
- Elaine Manzer
- Michelle Farris
- Clinton Froehlick
- Kimberly Hughes
- Elaine Garrow
- Alain Blanchette
- Harry Ezio
- Tanya Boman

- Northern Sunrise County
- Town of Beaverlodge
- Big Lakes County
- Birch Hills County
- Clear Hills County
- MD of Fairview
- Town of Fairview
- Town of Fox Creek
- City of Grande Prairie
- MD of Greenview
- Village of Hines Creek
- MD of Lesser Slave River
- Town of Manning
- Town of McLennan
- Village of Nampa
- MD of Opportunity
- MD of Peace
- Town of Peace River
- Town of Rainbow Lake
- Town of Sexsmith
- Town of Slave Lake
- MD of Spirit River
- MD of Smoky River
- Town of Spirit River
- Town of Valleyview

**Regrets:**

- Cindy Hockley
- Karen Rosvold
- Belinda Halabisky
- Vacant
- Vacant

- Village of Berwyn
- County of Grande Prairie
- County of Northern Lights
- Village of Donnelly
- Village of Girouxville

**Absent:**

- Lindsay Brown
- Carmen Johnson
- Brent Anderson
- James Waikle
- Reta Nooskey
- Roxann Dreger
- Kristen Smith
- Anna Underwood

- Town of Falher
- Town of Grimshaw
- Town of High Level
- Town of High Prairie
- Paddle Prairie Métis Settlement
- Village of Rycroft
- Saddle Hills County
- Town of Wembley

**Quick Facts 2022**

Population Served: 178,009  
 Members: 37 municipalities & 1 Métis Settlement  
 Member Public Libraries: 46  
 Contracting Schools: 34  
 Chair: Carolyn Kolebaba (Northern Sunrise County)  
 CEO: Louisa Robison

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