EASTERN COUNTIES REGIONAL LIBRARY INFORMATION MEETING: THURSDAY, January 16, 2025

PRESENT: Clair Rankin (Chair), Cllr. Claude Poirier, Mayor Ron Chisholm, Warden James Fuller, Cllr. Susan Cashin, Cllr. Blaine MacQuarrie, Wanda MacDonald **IN ATTENDANCE:** Laura Emery, Chief Librarian/Secretary to the Board; Amanda Campbell- Director, Collections & Technology, Michelle Greencorn-Director, Communications and Engagement, Carlee Ryan-Director, Human Resources and Finance

REGRETS: Lois Ann Dort

1. Welcome – Land Acknowledgement

Clair called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. and read the Land Acknowledgement. Introductions of Board members were carried out.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion 73: Chisholm/Poirier. Approved. That the agenda be approved.

3. Minutes of the September 26, 2024 meeting

Motion 74: Chisholm/MacQuarrie. Approved. That the minutes of the September 26, 2024 meeting be approved.

4. Board Orientation

- a) Board Book- Laura handed out the Welcome Package to new members
- b) Introduction to Management Team- The management team introduced themselves and their role
- c) ECRL Services- reference list for board members covering the services offered by ECRL.
- d) Board members toured the facility.
- 5. Financial update
 - e) Financial report
 - f) Income statement
 - g) Grants overview
 - h) Bequests report
- 6. CEO report
 - i) ECRL Reorganization Report 2025-01-09
 - j) CEHPL org chart
 - k) Human Resources Committee work

7. Election of Officers

a) Vice Chair- Blaine MacQuarrie nominated Ron Chisolm. Ron accepted the nomination for Vice Chair.

Motion 75: Poirier. Approved. That the nomination for Vice-Chair be approved.

b) Treasurer- Ron Chisholm volunteered.

8. Human Resources Committee Member Appointment James Fuller volunteered.

9. Advocacy correspondence – Minister/MLAs Motion 76: Poirier/Chisholm. Approved. That when the draft letter is finalized and reviewed by board the letter will be sent to the Minister/MLA.

10. Library Reports

- New accessible doors being installed at the Sherbrooke Library.
- Port Hawkesbury Library needs some new furnishings and needs refresh of the family/children's area.
- St. Peters new location underway.
- Cost information has been sent to the municipality for the new Whycocomagh location.

11. Date of next meeting- Next meeting date is February 20, 2024

12. Adjournment

Motion 77: Chisolm. Approved. That the meeting be adjourned at 6:41 pm.