Peterborough Public Library

Peterborough Public Library Board Minutes

Library Board Room

April 14, 2026

Present	Hannah Buck Laurianne Gruzas Linda Kehoe Gerry McBride Cecile Popp Gillian Sandeman Jayne White, Chair
Regrets	Councillor Crowley Jim Russell
Staff	Stacy Dedlow, Committee Support Specialist Dorothea Hines, Library Services Manager Melissa Redden, Director, Peterborough Public Library / CEO

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Land Acknowledgement

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Laurianne Gruzas

That the Peterborough Public Library Meeting minutes of March 10, 2026 be approved.

Carried

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

Consent Agenda

Moved by Gillian Sandeman

That Report PPL26-023, 2026 Annual Agenda Planner and Report PPL26-024, Library Board Contact be approved on consent.

Carried

2026 Annual Agenda Planner, PPL26-023

That the Peterborough Public Library Board approves the recommendation as outlined in Report PPL26-023 dated April 14, 2026, of the Library Director and CEO as follows:

That the report to outline core agenda items for the Peterborough Public Library Board in 2026 be approved.

Library Board Contact, Report PPL26-024

That the Peterborough Public Library Board approves the recommendation as outlined in Report PPL26-024 dated April 14, 2026, of the Library Director and CEO as follows:

That the report to inform the Peterborough Public Library Board on current practices for the public to contact the Library Board be received for information.

Presentations

Subcommittees Updates, Report PPL26-025

Moved by Gerry McBride

That the Library Board approve the recommendation outlined in Report PPL26-025 dated April 14, 2026, of the Library Director and CEO, as follows:

That the report on the status of the Board Legacy and Board Bylaws and Governance subcommittee work be received for information.

Carried

Legacy Document Development, Report PPL26-026

Moved by Linda Kehoe

That the Library Board approve the recommendation outlined in Report PPL26-026 dated April 14, 2026, of the Library Director and CEO, as follows:

That the report to facilitate input from the Library Board to develop content for inclusion in the Library Board's 2023-2026 legacy document be received for information.

Carried

Reports

Library Director and CEO Report, Report PPL26-022

Moved by Cecile Popp

That the Peterborough Public Library Board approves the recommendation as outlined in Report PPL26-022 dated April 14, 2026, of the Library Director and CEO as follows:

That the report to inform the Peterborough Public Library Board on general matters regarding Library operations be received for information.

Carried

Elections Policy, Report PPL26-027

Moved by Gerry McBride

That the Library Board approve the recommendations outlined in Report PPL26-027 dated April 14, 2026, of the Library Director and CEO as follows:

That the updated Elections Policy be approved.

Carried

Other Business

Gerry McBride provided an update about the Friends of the Library events
Gillian Sandeman provided an update on Board Evaluation tools.

Moved by Laurianne Gruzas

That the Peterborough Public Library Board recommends that the legacy committee review the feasibility of adopting and implementing the board evaluation tool before the end of the term.

Carried

Next Meeting - May 12, 2026

Adjournment

Moved by Linda Kehoe

That this meeting adjourn at 6:54 p.m.

Carried

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Stacy Dedlow

Committee Support Specialist

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Jayne White

Chair