AGENDA

Niagara Falls Public Library Board
Wednesday September 17, 2025 at 4:30pm
Conference Room 3, Victoria Ave Library

Acknowledgement statement

The Chonnonton people have called these lands where we are gathering home for thousands of years and more recently, the Anishinaabe and the Haudenosaunee have been sharing the land as One Dish, One Spoon Treaty territory. We would like to acknowledge the enduring resilience of the First Nations, Metis and Inuit people who call this territory home.

1. Approval of Agenda

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary and Conflict of Interests

3. Approval of Minutes
   - 3.1. Regular Minutes of June 25, 2025 Board Meeting
   - 3.2. Special Minutes of August 8, 2025 Board Meeting

4. Business arising from the Minutes

5. Consent Agenda
   - 5.1. Departmental Reports
     - 5.1.1. Q2 Finance Update, K. Rimnyak, Finance and Administrative Coordinator
     - 5.1.2. Q1 Actuals Report, K. Rimnyak, Finance and Administrative Coordinator
     - 5.1.3. Q2 Actuals Report, K. Rimnyak, Finance and Administrative Coordinator
     - 5.1.4. Q2 Revenue Report, K. Rimnyak, Finance and Administrative Coordinator
     - 5.1.5. Q2 Strategic Plan Report, L. Martin, Manager of Community Engagement
     - 5.1.6. Q2 System Statistics Report, L. Martin, Manager of Community Engagement
     - 5.1.7. NFPL In the Media, May 2025 - K. Stewart, Communications Associate
     - 5.1.8. Board Meeting Report Schedule Update, M. MacLaren, Finance and Executive Associate

5.2. Board Correspondence and Information
- 5.2.1. School Awards: Thank you Notes
  - 5.2.1.1. Letter: Thank you, A. Wiggins, A.N. Myer Secondary School
  - 5.2.1.2. Graduation program and thank you card, Westlane Secondary School
  - 5.2.1.3. Thank you card, Student, Saint Paul Catholic High School
  - 5.2.1.4. Thank you card, Student, Stamford Collegiate
- 5.2.2. Email: Suggestion: Adding More Study Pods, Library Customer
- 5.2.3. File Status Update, Canada Revenue Agency
- 5.2.4. System Stats Hot Sheet, L. Martin, Manager of Community Engagement
- 5.2.5. Member Update, Federation of Ontario Public Libraries
- 5.2.6. Memo to Council: Clarification – Chippawa Library in the Multi-Use Community Centre, A. Subnaik Kilgour, CEO/Chief Librarian
- 5.2.7. Chippawa Willoughby Community Centre Project Report, City of Niagara Falls
- 5.2.8. News Release: Ontario Investing $11.1 Million to Upgrade Recreation Infrastructure in Niagara Region, Province of Ontario
- 5.2.9. News Release: Ontario Investing $135 Million to Protect Water Systems and Irrigation Infrastructure in Niagara and Leamington, Province of Ontario
- 5.2.10. News Release: Niagara Falls Public Library Named New EarlyON Provider in Niagara Falls and Niagara-on-the-Lake, Niagara Region
- 5.2.11. 2024 Development Charges Treasurer's Statement, City of Niagara Falls
- 5.2.12. "Libraries: Essential Infrastructure for Strong Libraries" as presented at AMCTO Conference, D. Stevens, Federation of Ontario Public Libraries

5.3. Articles
- 5.3.1. EarlyON childcare service to launch at NOTL library under new provider, Niagara NOW
- 5.3.2. 'Quite underserved': New EarlyON site welcomed, but NOTL needs more childcare, some say, Niagara NOW
- 5.3.3. A book prescription for mental health?, CBC News
- 5.3.4. Could your beach reads actually be therapeutic? Bibliotherapy suggests they might, CBC News
- 5.3.5. University of Niagara Falls Canada appoints David Gray as President, Vice-Chancellor, University of Niagara Falls
- 5.3.6. Waning interest, Toronto Star
- 5.3.7. UNF partners with Myongji University to expand global opportunities, University of Niagara Falls
- 5.3.8. Hackers unsuccessfully demanded $18.5-million ransom in Hamilton cyberattack, Hamilton Spectator
- 5.3.9. Reducing homelessness comes with a high price tag, St. Catharines Standard

6. Action Items
    6.1. Ratification of Email Vote to Transfer 2024 Operating Surplus to Automation Reserve
    6.2. Board Meeting Schedule Report, M. MacLaren, Finance and Executive Associate
    6.3. EarlyON Story Pit Report, L. Martin, Manager of Community Engagement
    6.4. Capital Projects Review and 2026 Capital Budget Submission Report, K. Rimnyak, Finance and Administrative Coordinator

7. Committee-of-the-Whole Session

8. New Business

9. Other Business

Next Regular Board meeting is at 4:30 pm:

October 15, 2025
November 19, 2025
December 17, 2025