

## **NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES: January 9, 2002**

A meeting of the Niagara-on-the-Lake Public Library Board was held in the library on the above date. Members present at the meeting: Mollie Enns, Mary Birtles, Joy Lambert, Ron Voorhoeve, Neil Clark, Bob Allen, Dorita Pentesco and the secretary. Leon Martin and Dennis Dick were absent.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Mary Birtles asked to have an item included under New Business and the librarian requested that both The Challenge Fund and Elizabeth Harrison's art be added under New Business.

The minutes of the December 12, 2001 meeting were examined for errors or omissions. It was moved by Mary Birtles, seconded by Neil Clark that the minutes of the December 12, 2001 meeting be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

### **Business Arising Out of the Minutes:**

a) Mary Birtles presented the report of the Nominating Committee and copies of the report were distributed to all members. The secretary took over from the Chairman and called for further nominations for the position of Chairman of the Board. As there were no further nominations for the position Bob Allen was acclaimed as Chairman of the Board. The secretary then called for further nominations for the position of Vice-Chairman of the Board. As there were no further nominations for the position, Neil Clark was acclaimed as Vice-Chairman of the Board.

The report of the Nominating Committee included suggested membership on the various Standing Committees and this part of the report was discussed. Mary Birtles and Joy Lambert both indicated that they would like to be included in the membership of the Planning Committee. No other changes or additions were requested. Proposed membership for the 2002 Nominating Committee was not included and Bob Allen explained that this omission was deliberate as the 2001 Nominating Committee felt that it would be more appropriate to appoint this committee at the December board meeting as their only responsibility will be to prepare a proposed slate of officers for 2003. At the conclusion of discussion, the following motion was passed unanimously.

Moved by Mary Birtles, seconded by Bob Allen that the report of the Nominating Committee, as amended, be adopted.

Bob Allen assumed the Chair for the balance of the meeting and extended thanks on behalf of the Board to Mollie Enns for the excellent job she had done as Chairman in 2001. Everyone agreed that a great deal had been accomplished in 2001; finishing touches were made to the building, the official opening was held, the library was opened for additional hours and new policies and procedures were put in place.