115th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the ONTARIO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Hamilton Public Library – Central Library, 55 York Boulevard, Hamilton, Ontario

June 10, 2016, 12:30 pm

Draft Minutes

Presiding: Jane Hilton, OLA President, 2015

1. Welcome

Jane Hilton, OLA President, 2015, welcomed members to the 115th Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Library Association including those joining remotely via Adobe Connect. Ms. Hilton reminded attendees of the need to be an OLA member to vote.

2. Establishment of a Quorum

Quorum was not established at noon and the meeting was ‘adjourned’ from that time as per the by-law stipulation and quorum was thus subsequently established as those in attendance.

3. Adoption of the Agenda.

Motion 115 – 1: That the agenda for the 115th Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Library Association be approved.

Moved: Lita Barrie Seconded: Dan Scott

Carried.


There was no business arising.

Motion 115-2: That the minutes of the 114th OLA Annual General Meeting be approved.

Moved: Todd Kyle Seconded: Sarah Simpkin

Carried.

5. Financial status of the Association: Lesa Balch, Treasurer, OLA

5.1. Report of OLA 2015 Treasurer Lesa Balch
Ms. Balch reported that the OLA Board of Directors voted to move the OLA fiscal year from January 1 – December 31, to September 1 – August 31 to align the budget with the business of the association and to enable the association to hold the Annual General Meeting during the annual OLA Super Conference. To change this fiscal year, OLA will have a January 1, 2017 – August 31, 2017 budget, and a September 1, 2017 – August 31, 2018 budget.

5.2. Audited statements for 2015.

**Motion** 115-3: That the audited statements for 2015 as provided by Clarke Henning LLP be accepted.

Moved: May Yan Seconded: Paul Takala

Carried.

**Motion** 115-4: That the firm of Clarke Henning LLP be engaged to prepare the 2016 audited statements of the Ontario Library Association

Moved: Lesa Balch Seconded: Mita Williams

Carried.

6. OLA 2015 in review.

Ms. Hilton provided remarks on a few highlights taken from the printed annual report that was provided in advance and made available on OLA’s web site. The following officers of the Ontario Library Association were thanked for their leadership and service:

- OCULA 2015 President Shanna Pearson
- OLBA 2015 President Lynn Humfress-Trute
- OLITA 2015 President Dan Scott
- OPLA 2015 President Sandi Burgess
- OSLA 2015 President Jeanne Conte
- ABO-Franco 2015 Présidente Joanne Plante
- Executive Director Shelagh Paterson.

**Motion** 115-5: That the reports of the officers of the Ontario Library Association be received.

Moved: Dan Scott Seconded: Sarah Simpkin

Carried.

7. Resolutions.

7.1 Changes to By-Law 5: Ontario Library Boards’ Association

Ms. Hilton reported that the proposed changes to By-Law 5 governing the Ontario Library Boards’ Association was approved at OLBA’s member meeting January 29, 2016, and
have been distributed in advance for approval at the OLA AGM. The change enables members to remain on OLBA Council for the duration of their term should they cease to be a board member on a public library board during this time. The amendments are proposed for the purpose of clarifying processes and ensuring stability in elected OLBA Council positions.

**Motion 115 - 6:** That the amendments to By-Law 5 as presented be approved.

Moved: Dan Scott          Seconded: Mita Williams

Carried.

7.2 Changes to OLA Member Dues

Ms. Hilton reported that the resolution to revise member dues was provided in advance of the AGM, was distributed to attendees and is available online. The resolution proposes:

- Increasing Associate Member rates by 10%.
- Increasing public library board membership fees by $15 - $50 (scaled to the size of the population served), and with no increases for library boards serving populations less than 5,000.
- Merging the top two library board categories with a member fee of $1,500.
- Adding two new individual member categories at the higher salary scale as follows: for salary ranges $65,001 - $79,999, a member fee of $110, and for salary range over $80,000 a member fee of $120.

**Motion 115 - 7:** That the membership due changes as proposed be accepted and take effect September 1, 2016.

Moved: Kate Johnson-MacGregor          Seconded: Todd Kyle

Carried.

Noted for the minutes: 3 abstentions and 1 against the vote.


Ms. Hilton reported on behalf of Susanna Hubbard Krimmer, chair, 2015 OLA nominations committee, that Leslie Weir was acclaimed OLA Vice-President 2016/President-Elect 2017.

**Motion 115-8:** That the report of the OLA Nominations Committee is to be accepted and all ballots cast in the elections of 2015 be destroyed.

Moved: Anita Brooks Kirkland          Seconded: Lesa Balch

Carried.

Mr. Kyle presented the OLA presidential pyramid to Ms. Hilton and extended thanks and appreciation for a successful year as the OLA president. Mr. Kyle spoke on the need for inclusiveness and shared values in our efforts as exemplified in his chosen theme for the 2017 OLA Super Conference as: “All In.” and “Le tout pour let tout”.

10. Adjournment.

Motion 115 -9: Motion to adjourn the 115th Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Library Association.

Moved: Sarah Simpkin.