

**LIBRARIES BOARD OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

**MEETING OF THE LIBRARIES BOARD OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

**Tuesday 9 March 2021**

Minutes No. 858

The meeting was held in the City of Burnside Council Chambers, Greenhill Road, Tusmore and started at 1.05pm.

**1 Welcome**

**1.1 Present**

Bruce Linn (Chair), Professor Amanda Nettelbeck, Janet Finlay, Bronwyn Lewis, Scott Hicks, Megan Berghuis and Jillian Whittaker.

**In Attendance:**

Geoff Strempe (Director, State Library of SA)

Hanlie Erasmus (Associate Director, Public Library Services)

Tracey Parnis (State Library of SA – Minutes)

**1.2 Apologies**

Professor Joanne Cys.

**1.3 Acknowledgement of Country**

The Chair made an acknowledgement of Country.

**1.4 Conflict of Interest**

There were no declarations of a conflict of interest.

**2 Starring of Agenda Items**

Jillian Whittaker asked for 8.2 Future Services Model to be starred.

**Motion: That all non-starred items be received and all recommendations contained therein are adopted and carried.**

**Moved: B Lewis**

**Seconded: A Nettelbeck**

**3 Minutes**

**3.1 Minutes of previous meeting**

**Motion: That the minutes of the Board meeting held on 8 February 2021 be confirmed.**

**Moved: M Berghuis**

**Seconded: B Lewis**

**3.2 Action List – March 2021**

No updates, projects ongoing.

**3.3 Matters dealt with out of session**

**4 Strategic Matters**

**4.1 Memorandum of Agreement Negotiations Update**

The Chair and Director met with the Premier regarding the quantum of funds being made available. The Board was informed as to the status of these discussions.

**Motion: The Libraries Board notes this update.**

**Moved: M Berghuis      Seconded: B Lewis**

**4.2 Unstarred Item. State Library Budget Strategy Update**

No report.

**5 For Decision**

**For Decision (Strategic)**

No report.

**6 For Decision (Operational)**

**6.1 Writers SA Rent Waiver**

**Motion: The Libraries Board:**

- **acknowledges the exceptional circumstances resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and the impact that the Emergency Declarations have had on Writers SA ability to generate income in the normal manner**
- **approves the waiving of rent for Writers SA for:**
  - **October to December 2019**
  - **January to March 2020**
  - **July to August 2020**
- **and approves a credit note to be raised for the outstanding invoice for the October to December 2019 period.**

**Moved: B Lewis      Seconded: A Nettelbeck**

**7 Director's Report**

The Director reported on range of matters including:

- the Draft State Library Strategic Plan - further discussion under Agenda Item 8.1
- the ongoing negotiations of the MoA
- a meeting with Albert Bensimon, last Chair State Library of SA Foundation, who has agreed to help resolve matters that will allow the Foundation to be reactivated.
- the continuation of the internal restructure of the Library. Customer Service Review is the last team to be looked at.

**Motion: That the Libraries Board notes the Director's report.**

**Moved: J Whittaker      Seconded: S Hicks**

**8 For Noting**

**8.1 Draft Strategic Plan for Board Comment**

The Board congratulated the team on the draft plan and will discuss in more detail at the May meeting.

**Action 1: Add discussion of draft plan to the 10 May Board Meeting.**

**Action 2: Board members can provide any feedback to Director either by email or in person.**

**Motion: That the Libraries Board notes and provides feedback on the attached draft State Library Strategic Plan.**

**Moved: A Nettelbeck                      Seconded: S Hicks**

**8.2      Future Service Model Status Report**

The Director provided some more background information to the project.

**Action 1: Board to do a tour of the State Library in the middle of the year.**

**Motion: That the Libraries Board notes the progress that has been made on the various projects that are integral to the Future Service Model approach.**

**Moved: J Whittaker                      Seconded: J Finlay**

**8.3      Unstarred Item. PLS and SLSA Corporate Services Amalgamation**

**Motion: That the Libraries Board notes the amalgamation of corporate services functions within PLS and SLSA.**

**Moved: B Lewis                      Seconded: A Nettelbeck**

**9          Any Other Business**

**10        Unstarred Items. Correspondence**

**10.1      Hon Steven Marshall MP, Premier to Chair, Libraries Board – Statutory Authority Governance Structures Review Report, 3 February 2021**

**11        Date of Next Meeting**

The next Libraries Board meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday 10 May 2021** at **10am** in the Bronwyn Halliday Learning Studio, State Library of South Australia.

The meeting closed at 1.47pm.

Chair: .....

Date: .....