**Present** Neil Salminen

Bill Skinner Sue Munro

Andrew Nellestyn Elizabeth Stewart

Josie Scott

Karen DeLuca, Chief Librarian

1. Chair called the meeting to order at 6:03pm

- 2. Motion 2020-13 Moved by Elizabeth Stewart, seconded by Josie Scott that the Agenda be approved as circulated - carried
- 3. No conflicts of interest declared
- 4. Strategy for Negotiations:
  - 4.1. Review of 2020 Forecast The additional staff member, as approved via reserves by both Arnprior and McNab/Braeside Councils during budget deliberations, has not come to fruition due to timing and the COVID closure. This position is now redundant given that all programming will be on suspension for the foreseeable future. The 2 month shutdown of the library has meant no revenue generation. The monies saved from the wages line will afford the library to pay for regular operating costs. Anticipated municipal grants will follow the JSA agreement as it currently exists.
  - 4.2. COVID Service model: The re-introduction of services is gradual and the service delivery model into 2021 is still unknown.
  - 4.3. With so many factors at play, consensus is September 30<sup>th</sup> does not afford enough time for a full review of the budget requirements for the next fiscal year. There is the option to work on the language of the JSA in advance of the numbers. A "simpler" language agreement is ideal. Examples cited: Cobourgh PL and Renfrew PL service contracts with neighbouring municipalities. Motion 2020-14 Moved by Bill Skinner, seconded by Elizabeth Stewart that the Board send a formal request to both municipalities to defer negotiations on financial contributions for an updated Service Contract with McNab/Braeside to May 31, 2021 and that the contributions as per the current JSA remain as the base figure – carried.
  - 4.4. Next steps:
    - 4.4.1.Letter to municipalities Neil to draft recommendation from the Board.
    - 4.4.2.Meeting with Mayor(s) as follow-up from the Board request
    - 4.4.3. Review of Board Structure.

Discussion on the efficacy of increasing the number of trustees on the Library Board.

Motion: 2020-15 Moved by Elizabeth Stewart, seconded by Bill Skinner that the CEO investigate the process of expanding the current board to 9 voting members, namely six from the Town of Arnprior, two from McNab/Braeside and one from Lanark Highlands – carried.

**Regrets** Sue Munro (technical

difficulties)

- 5. Other Business: Curbside Service enhancement Motion 2020-16 Moved by Andrew Nellestyn, seconded by Josie Scott that the Board authorize the purchase of a small trailer from the Adult Programming Reserve, and that the upper limit on the expense is \$10,000 - carried.
- 6. Next meeting at the call of the Chair.

Adjournment: Motion 2020-16 Moved by Josie Scott, seconded by Bill Skinner that the meeting be adjourned at 7:26pm - carried.