



Minutes of the VPL Board Special In Camera Meeting held at 12:50 pm on Thursday, August 31, 2017 via teleconference.

Present: Mary Lynn Baum
Carellin Brooks
Amanda Card
Jennifer Chan — Vice Chair
Kyla Epstein — Chair
Suki Grewal
Karen Hoffmann
Sarah Kirby-Yung — Vancouver Park Board Representative
Gordon Ross
John Schaub — Vice Chair
Rhonda Sherwood

Absent: Clr. Tim Stevenson — City Council Representative
Raji Mangat

Management Present: Sandra Singh — Chief Librarian

ITEM FOR DECISION

1. Pledge of Support and Guiding Principles of Youth Matters Community Accountability

The Chief Librarian presented a report to the Board that sought Board endorsement of Youth Matters Community Accountability. The Chief Librarian noted that she would normally not bring a statement forward for Board endorsement without significant review by staff, but that this statement is a statement of principles that were already aligned with VPL values and commitments. She also noted that City Council, the Park Board, and Vancouver Police Department had all endorsed the statement. This request is coming forward like this because VPL staff were approached regarding VPL endorsement just days ago and the signing ceremony occurs before the next Board meeting. After assurances that staff see little risk to endorsing this statement without the usual review, and noting the alignment with VPL's existing commitments, the following motion was raised.

Moved by Suki Grewal and seconded by Gordon Ross

That the Board endorse the Youth Matters “Pledge of Support and Guiding Principles of Youth Matters Community Accountability.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Kyla Epstein, Chair

Sandra Singh, Secretary