



RIVERINA REGIONAL LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

22 APRIL 2020

PRESENT

Cr Leigh Bowden	Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council
Cr Cate Cross	Snowy Valleys Council
Cr Pam Halliburton	Junee Shire Council
Cr Dennis Sleigh	Temora Shire Council
Cr Bronwyn Thomas	Federation Council
Cr Dallas Tout	Wagga Wagga City Council (Chairperson)
Cr Jan Wyse	Bland Shire Council
Ms Alison Balind	Bland Shire Council
Mr Steve Firth	Temora Shire Council
Ms Madeleine Scully	Wagga Wagga City Council
Mr Glenn Sheehan	Junee Shire Council
Mr David Smith	Greater Hume Shire Council
Ms Kristin Twomey	Snowy Valleys Council
Mr Peter Veneris	Lockhart Shire Council

IN ATTENDANCE

Ms Cathy Lange	Bland Shire Council
Ms Carolyn Rodney	Wagga Wagga City Council

RIVERINA REGIONAL LIBRARY STAFF

Ms Amy Heap	Outreach & Promotions Coordinator
Mr Brian Plummer	Support & eServices Coordinator
Mr Robert Knight	Executive Director
Ms Karen Wendt	Business & Communications Coordinator

The meeting of the Riverina Regional Library Advisory Committee commenced at 9:12am and was held via Zoom video conference.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge the Wiradjuri people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land that we are meeting on today. I would also like to pay my respect to the Elders both past and present of the Wiradjuri Nation and extend that respect to other Aboriginal people who are present today.

APOLOGIES

Cr Greg Verdon
Mr James Davis
Mr Tony Donoghue

Recommendation

On the motion of Cr Cate Cross and Cr Pam Halliburton

That the Apologies of the Riverina Regional Library Advisory Committee meeting held on 18 March 2020 be received and accepted.

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM STAFF

RP-1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE RIVERINA REGIONAL LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 30 OCTOBER 2019

Recommendation

On the motion of Cr Pam Halliburton and Cr Leigh Bowden

That the Committee endorse the minutes of the Riverina Regional Library Advisory Committee meeting held on 30 October 2019 as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

RP-2 MANAGER FINANCE REPORT

Recommendation

On the motion of Ms Kristin Twomey and Cr Bronwyn Thomas

That the Committee:

- a endorse the draft RRL Budget for 2020/21**
- b note that once endorsed by the RRL Advisory Committee and the Executive Council, the 2020/21 RRL Budget will be placed on public exhibition as part of the Executive Council process**
- c note the RRL Budget Review for the quarter ended 31 December 2019.**

CARRIED

RP-3 APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATE TO THE RRL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Recommendation

On the motion of Cr Pam Halliburton and Cr Cate Cross

That the Committee appoint a Council officer to fill a vacant position on the Executive Committee in accordance with section 4.8 of the Riverina Regional Library (RRL) Deed of Agreement.

Ms Cathy Lange was nominated by Ms Alison Balind.
Ms Lange accepted the nomination.

Ms Kristin Twomey was nominated by Cr Cate Cross.
Ms Twomey accepted the nomination.

A vote by show of hands was held with 5 votes for Ms Lange and 8 votes for Ms Twomey.

There being no further nominations, **Ms Kristin Twomey** was duly elected to join the Executive Committee of the Riverina Regional Library Advisory Committee in accordance with the RRL Deed of Agreement.

CARRIED

RP-4 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Recommendation

On the motion of Ms Kristin Twomey and Mr Peter Veneris

That the Committee receive and note the report.

CARRIED

RP-5 LIBRARY ACTIVITY STATISTICS REPORT

Recommendation

On the motion of Cr Bronwyn Thomas and Cr Pam Halliburton

That the Committee receive and note the report.

CARRIED

RP-6 DRAFT MEMBER COUNCIL CONTRIBUTIONS 2020-2021

Recommendation

On the motion of Ms Kristin Twomey and Mr David Smith

That the Committee endorse the draft 2020-2021 RRL Member Council Contributions table as an interim document for presentation to the June 2020 meeting of the Executive Council, subject to there being no significant variations prior to that time.

CARRIED

RP-7 PROPOSAL FOR REGION-WIDE EXPENDITURE OF A PROPORTION OF THE ADDITIONAL STATE FUNDING FOR RRL COUNCILS / LIBRARIES

Recommendation

On the motion of Ms Alison Balind and Ms Kristin Twomey

That the Committee:

- a) endorse the proposal for 25% of the state government funding allocation to RRL member councils for the period 2020-21 to 2022-23 be allocated to a region wide Collection Enhancement Project**
- b) endorse the retention of 10% of the total additional funding annually by the RRL Administration Centre to cover administration and staffing costs associated with the Collection Enhancement Project.**

THE MOTION ON BEING PUT TO THE MEETING WAS LOST

RP-8 DRAFT RRL MANAGEMENT PLAN 2020-2021

Recommendation

On the motion of Ms Kristin Twomey and Cr Leigh Bowden

That the Committee endorse the draft RRL Management Plan 2020-2021 as an interim document for presentation to the June 2020 meeting of the Executive Council, subject to there being no significant variations prior to that time.

CARRIED

RP-9 PUBLIC LIBRARY INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS PROGRAM

Recommendation

On the motion of Mr David Smith and Mr Peter Veneris

That the Committee:

- a endorse the proposal to extend the Riverina Regional Library Administration Centre building**
- b endorse the submission of a grant application to the 2020 round of the NSW Public Library Infrastructure Grants to support the proposed extension project, at the discretion of the Executive Director depending on prevailing circumstances at that time**
- c receive a further report should the grant application be successful.**

CARRIED

RP-10 MEMBER COUNCIL REPORT

Recommendation

On the motion of Ms Alison Balind and Mr Peter Veneris

That the Committee receive and note the report.

CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS

Robert Knight provided an update on Riverina Regional Library's COVID-19 response. A copy of that report will be distributed with the minutes.

CLOSE OF MEETING

The Riverina Regional Library Advisory Committee rose at 10:58am.