

Staff Report for Decision

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SERVICES

SUBJECT 2019 APPOINTMENTS TO THE VANCOUVER ISLAND REGIONAL

LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To appoint one trustee and one alternate to the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board.

Recommendation

That Council appoint one trustee and one alternate to the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board for a one-year term ending 2019-DEC-31.

BACKGROUND

Council is required to annually appoint one trustee and one alternate to the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board of Directors (VIRL Board). As per the *British Columbia Library Act* members are eligible for reappointment but no member may serve more than eight consecutive years. Councillor Brennan and Councillor Hong are the current appointees, with their term ending 2018-DEC-31. Reappointment of sitting members is encouraged in the interest of continuity. Councillors do not receive remuneration for sitting on the VIRL Board but are reimbursed for reasonable travelling and out of pocket expenses. Once appointed to the VIRL Board, Councillors must fill out and submit the 2019 Appointment form and their 2019 statement for financial disclosure form, available in Legislative Services.

The Board of trustees guides and supports all public library services in VIRL's service area and has representatives from every municipality and regional district on Vancouver Island. The VIRL has 38 board members, 10 of which represent districts and 28 from municipalities.

The VIRL Board holds 5 meetings a year, held Saturdays, 9:30am (to approx. 12pm) at the Vancouver Island Conference Centre in Nanaimo:

- January 19 AGM
- March 23
- June 1
- September 21
- November 23
- The VIRL Executive Committee holds 5 meetings a year, held Fridays, 9:30am (to approx. 12pm) at the Nanaimo North Branch in Nanaimo:
- February 15
- May 3
- July 5 (Budget Review Only)
- August 16



October 25

Appointments for Trustees and their alternates must be submitted to the Vancouver Island Regional Library by December 15, 2018.

OPTIONS

- 1. That Council appoint one trustee and one alternate to the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board for a one-year term ending 2019-DEC-31.
 - Budget Implication: Councillors do not receive remuneration from the City or the VIRL Board.
 - **Legal Implication:** The *British Columbia Library Act* requires that municipal council's appoint members to the library board.
- 2. That Council provide alternate direction.

SUMMARY POINTS

- One alternate and one trustee must be appointed for a one year term ending 2019-DEC-31.
- Reappointment of members is encouraged in the interest of continuity.
- The VIRL has 38 board members, 10 of which represent districts and 28 from municipalities.
- Appointments for trustees and their alternates must be submitted to VIRL by 2018-DEC-15.

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