

# **Staff Report for Decision**

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SUBJECT VANCOUVER ISLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD 2021

**APPOINTMENTS** 

### **OVERVIEW**

#### **Purpose of Report**

To request that Council appoint one trustee and one alternate on the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board of Trustees.

#### Recommendation

That Council appoint one trustee and one alternate to the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board of Trustees for the January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 term.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Annually, Council is required to appoint one member and one alternate to the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board of Trustees for a one year term. Councillor Hemmens is the current appointee, originally appointed 2018-2019 and reappointed in 2020. Councillor Thorpe is the alternate, also appointed 2018-2019 and reappointed in 2020.

## **DISCUSSION**

The Vancouver Island Regional Library recommends continuity in appointments from year to year. Members are eligible for reappointment but no member may serve for more than eight consecutive years. The members of the library board are not entitled to be paid for their services but may be reimbursed for reasonable travelling and out of pocket expenses, including child care expenses, incurred when performing their duties. Upon appointment, the trustee is required to fill out and submit to Legislative Services an appointment form and statement of financial disclosure.

#### **OPTIONS**

- 1. That Council appoint one trustee and one alternate to the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board of Trustees for the January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 term.
  - The advantages of this option: Appointing a trustee and alternate provides the City of Nanaimo with representation on the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board of Trustees and is consistent with the Library Act.
  - The disadvantages of this option: There are no disadvantages noted at this time.



- Financial Implications: Trustees do not receive compensation other than eligible out of pocket expenses.
- 2. That Council provide alternative direction.

## **SUMMARY POINTS**

- Council is requested to appoint one trustee and one alternate to the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board of Trustees for the January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 term.
- Reappointment of current members is recommended for continuity with no members serving for more than eight years.
- Trustees do not receive compensation for their appointment but eligible travel and out of pocket expenses are reimbursed.

## **ATTACHMENTS**:

Attachment A: Letter dated 2020-OCT-30 from Vancouver Island Regional Library

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