

DATE OF MEETING NOVEMBER 7, 2022

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**SUBJECT 2023 VANCOUVER ISLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD  
APPOINTMENTS**

## **OVERVIEW**

### **Purpose of Report**

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

### **Recommendation**

That Council appoint one Councillor as a trustee to the Vancouver Island Regional Library (VIRL) Board and one Councillor as an alternate for the period January 1 to December 31, 2023.

## **BACKGROUND**

Each year, Council is required under Section 17(2) of the *Library Act* to appoint one Councillor as a Trustee, and one Councillor as an alternate, to serve on the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board.

Currently, Councillor Hemmens is the Trustee, serving since her initial appoint in 2018 and Councillor Maartman has served as the alternate. Both appointments expire on December 31, 2022 and new appointments must be made at the first Council meeting in November.

## **DISCUSSION**

As outlined in the attached letter, reappointment of sitting members is encouraged for continuity, with no more than 8 consecutive years served. Board members are not entitled to be paid for their services but do receive reimbursement for reasonable travelling and out of pocket expenses, including child care expenses, necessarily incurred in performing their duties. There are approximately five Board meetings held each year. There are a number of administrative documents VIRL requires from the appointed trustee and alternate and Staff will work with those appointed to ensure VIRL receives them.

## **SUMMARY POINTS**

- Under Section 17(2) of the *Library Act* Council is required to appoint one Councillor as a trustee, and one Councillor as an alternate to the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board.
- The term is 2023-JAN-01 to 2023-DEC-31.
- Continuity in trustee appointments is recommended (where possible).

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment 1 – 2022-10-18 Nanaimo VIRL 2023 Appointment Requests.

**Submitted by:**

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**Concurrence by:**

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