



Coquitlam Public Library  
Community Advisory Group

October 24, 2024

## COMMUNITY ADVISORY GROUP MINUTES

[ Poirier ] | 6:30– 8:00 pm

Hybrid Meeting: Zoom | Poirier Board Room

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### CAG MEETING

Present: Francesca, Julie, Luis, Natalia, Tina, Rebekah, Ramesh, Susan,

Guest:

Regrets: Andrea, Doreen, Manjeet, Sandra, Waed

Chair: Tina

Staff: Jay

I. Call to order: 6:42 pm

II. Land Acknowledgement

***We acknowledge that Coquitlam Public Library provides service on the unceded traditional territory of the Kwikwetlem First Nation, which lies within the shared territories of the Tsleil-Waututh, Katzie, Musqueam, Qayqayt, Squamish and Sto':lo Nations***

III. Adoption of Agenda – adopted

IV. Approval of Minutes from the last meeting - Francesca moved, Luis seconded

V. Book Sale 23<sup>rd</sup> November at City Centre Branch at 12:00 PM, primary focus is fund raising and secondary is to clear books. The books are old removed from circulations and mostly adult fiction and DVD's. CAG members on day of sale Manjeet, Tina, Francesca, Julie and Ramesh  
November 22<sup>nd</sup> Friday is the setup day from 1:00 PM for about 2 hours – Volunteers Susan, Andrea and Sandra. Volunteers to meet Venessa  
Promotion will be through existing social media channels, posters and sent to the library mailing list.  
Request members to promote the social media posts within their own circle and connections. Need a blurb for advertisement, and would include the message that attendees can fill a CPL bag with books for 10\$. 4\$ will go towards cost of CPL bag and rest towards books.  
If attendees bring their own bag there will be a discount applied.  
CAG members cannot handle cash and will need to use post it to indicate the amount for collection by staff.

VI. Library Updates (Jay)

- Thanked CAG members for the time and service
- The Pinetree way entrance is open
- The backside of the library has a mural painted by a local artist, can be viewed when travelling south on Pine Tree way
- Brave Spaces Speaker Series started on October 16<sup>th</sup> with speech by member of the Kwikwetlem First Nation, next speaker is Dr. Satwinder Kaur Bain speaking about Anti-Racism in Canada on 30<sup>th</sup> October. Last Speaker Valerie Jerome is on November 13<sup>th</sup>
- Greeting Cards for Seniors holiday hellos submission is by November 29th create a greeting card with your message and drop it at any one of the CPL location.
- 2025 budding enterprise programme is 12 weeks with weekly sessions. 14 seats will be available. This is a free event with bring your lunch and conducted by Jay J. Silverberg. Marketing and promotions will through regular channels and CAG members are encouraged to promote.
- New Director of Public Services – Erin Watkins
- Juried Art Exhibit – still open to vote anyone interested please kindly drop your ballots in before November 6

VII. Feedback from members on past events or ideas for new events in early 2025

- Clothes swap event Oct 5th
  - 102 people attended, 65% were adults and rest children
  - 4 people brought clothes
  - Next time should have a donation company to pick up left over clothes
- Juried Art Exhibit reception Sep 28th.
  - Julie attended the reception. The event was well organized and well attended.

VIII. Update on Application Process – Luis

- Add space for reference credentials
- Hyper link the email address

IX. CAG 2025 goals

- 2025 goals to align with CPL strategic Plan [strategic-plan-2023---2026-final-draft.pdf](#)
- Luis suggested and volunteered to prepare a questionnaire to collect ideas for CAG goals
- Tina and Luis recommended that the goals be SMART
- Julie volunteered to facilitate a financial literacy book club in Jan 2025. It will be promoted as a Personal Finance for Women Book Club.

X. Adjournment – 8:00 pm

Next Regular Meeting

- November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
City Centre Board Room  
Time: 6:30-8:00 pm



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