

Medicine Hat Public Library
Category: Governance

Policy No. G.7
Title: Representation on the Shortgrass
Library System Board and the Society of
Friends of the Medicine Hat Public Library
Board
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Purpose: The Medicine Hat Library Board recognizes the importance of representation and liaison between Medicine Hat Library Board and the Board of the Shortgrass Library System and the Board of the Society of Friends of the Medicine Hat Public Library.

1. Definitions

- 1.1. Friends of the Library Board: Board of the Society of Friends of the Medicine Hat Public Library.
- 1.2. Minister: the Minister of provincial government responsible for libraries.
- 1.3. Shortgrass Board: the Board of the Shortgrass Library System.

2. Selection:

- 2.1. At a regular meeting of the Medicine Hat Library Board, representatives for the Shortgrass Board and the Friends of the Library Board are selected by the Medicine Hat Library Board Chair
- 2.2. Selections for the Shortgrass Board are unofficial pending formal appointment by the Minister after considering the recommendations of the Medicine Hat Library Board

3. Representation

- 3.1. In accordance with the Shortgrass Library System Agreement, representation on the Shortgrass Board shall include up to two (2) members from the Medicine Hat Library Board.
- 3.2. One (1) member of the Medicine Hat Library Board shall be a voting member of the Friends of the Library Board.

4. Representatives from the Medicine Hat Library Board are expected to present the views of the Medicine Hat Library Board. However, the representative(s) must be committed to the goals and objectives of the Board to which they have been appointed when they are sitting on that Board.

5. Representatives from the Medicine Hat Library Board shall resign as the Medicine Hat Library Board representative on the Shortgrass Board and the Friends of the Library Board when they are no longer serving as a member of the Medicine Hat Library Board.

- 5.1. Resignation from the Shortgrass Board is effective when a new representative is appointed by the Minister.
- 5.2. Representatives are expected to serve for two (2) years on the Shortgrass Board or the Friends of the Library Board; this period can be extended with approval of the Medicine Hat Library Board.