

Leeds and the Thousand Islands Public Library Board

Bylaws

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1.0 Preamble

1.1. The powers and duties of the library board are prescribed in the *Public Libraries Act*, R.S.O. 1990, chapter P44, to which this bylaw adheres. The role of the library board is to govern the affairs of the library, and in accordance with the *Public Libraries Act*, section 20.

2.0 Powers and Duties of the Board

- 2.1. The Leeds and the Thousand Islands Public Library Board shall:
 - Seek to provide a comprehensive and efficient public library service that reflects the community's unique needs;
 - Bear legal responsibility for the Leeds and the Thousand Islands Public Library;
 - Operate one or more libraries, and ensure that they are conducted in accordance with the Public Libraries Act and the regulations;
 - Determine and adopt written policies to govern the operation of the Board and Library;
 - Set the strategic goals and objectives of the Library;
 - Fixe the dates and times for regular meetings of the Board and the mode of calling and conducting them, and ensure that full and correct minutes are kept;
 - Make provision for insuring the Board's real and personal property;
 - Take proper security for the Treasurer;
 - Appoint a competent and qualified Chief Executive Officer; evaluates and fixes the rate of pay of the CEO, and if necessary, dismisses the CEO;
 - Work with the CEO to prepare a budget adequate to carry out the library's goals and objectives and present this budget to council;
 - Ensure that the Library is operated in accordance with the *Public Libraries Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.44; and
 - Approve and submit all reports required by Council, the Ministry, or the Government of Ontario.

3.0 Delegation of Operational Management

3.1. Under the *Public Libraries Act*, s. 15(2), the library board must appoint a Library CEO. The Library Board delegates authority for management of library operations to the Chief Executive Officer.

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