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## The Blue Mountains Public Library Board Meeting

**Meeting Date:** E-Poll August 29, 2023

**Prepared By:** Dr. Sabrina Saunders, CEO/Secretary of the Board

**Responses:** Laurey Gillies (Chair)      Julia Scott (Vice Chair)  
Joanne de Visser      Shawn McKinlay      Marie Swift  
~~Kristina Wichman~~      Patricia Wright

**Regrets:** N/A

**Prepared By:** Dr. Sabrina Saunders, CEO and Board Secretary

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### A. E-Mail Communication

*The following was sent by e-mail to Board members.*

Sent on behalf of the Board Chair:

After speaking with our Chair last week, it was agreed that we could put an E-Poll forward to continue the progress of the legal application with the CRA for charitable status.

Attached is the draft of the changes to the Articles of the BMPL Corporation. Prior to resubmission to CRA, our Ontario Corporation requires a change to the PURPOSE (pg 3) and a change to the SPECIAL PROVISIONS (pg 3). Both of these are editing the NPO status to meet that of charitable status wording. When you read pg 3 you will see that it does not affect the mission or mandate of BMPL in any way.

If the resolution is approved, our Chair and Vice Chair will bind the document. Additionally, pg 1 has the 2018-2022 Board listed, the lawyer is making that change to the current board, and this will be reflected in the document that our executive binds. Further, you have each received a report and update on the charitable status to provide background on efforts to date.

At the September 21<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting we will take this topic up and have a discussion on our progress. In this E-Poll however, we can not discuss this motion via e-mail as that would be against our E-Poll policy. So if we need to discuss this, we will cancel the E-Poll and call a meeting.

Assuming everyone is comfortable moving forward, **please reply with a Yes or No to the motion listed below.**

**Recommended Motion**

That this Board approve the Articles of Amendment and instruct the Board Chair and Vice Chair to sign the Articles of Amendment; and for the legal representative to submit the updated Articles on behalf of BMPL.

**B. E-Vote****BMPL-Resolution 2023-071**

Moved by the Patricia Wright and seconded by Shawn McKinlay, THAT this Board approve the Articles of Amendment and instruct the Board Chair and Vice Chair to sign the Articles of Amendment; and for the legal representative to submit the updated Articles on behalf of BMPL. CARRIED.

**Email Roll Call:**

Joanne de Visser - Yes  
Shawn McKinlay - Yes  
Marie Swift - Yes  
Patricia Wright - Yes  
Laurey Gillies - Yes  
Julia Scott - Yes

**Not Responded:**

Kristina Wichman

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Laurey Gillies, Chair

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Dr. Sabrina Saunders, Board Secretary