



To: Library Board of Trustees

From: Jennifer Jones, Library CEO

Meeting Date: June 26, 2018

Subject: Report PPL18-039
Library CEO Report June 2018

Purpose

A report to inform the Library Board of Trustees on general matters concerning Library operations and services.

Recommendation

That the Library Board approve the recommendation in Report PPL18-039 dated June 26, 2018, of the Library CEO as follows:

That the report be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budget or financial implications resulting from the approval of the recommendation of this report.

Background

Partnerships

The children's staff began spending the funds received from The Healthy Kids Community Challenge grant on new board games and materials for maker boxes. These will be rolled out throughout the summer, encouraging children and their parents to come into the library to “power off and play”.

Computers and software

The bandwidth level has been increased at the Library, and we have seen an increase

in service levels. There have still been some challenges with the Useful computers, but staff continue to troubleshoot the issues to resolve them.

Once our internet issues are resolved, we will look into wireless printing to respond to patron requests/needs.

Training

The acting Children's services librarian attended a workshop in Bradford put on by the Southern Ontario Library Service on the topic of Babytime programs in libraries. The material presented was excellent and it provided a wonderful opportunity to interact with other library staff who offer programs to our youngest patrons.

Programs & Statistics

Public computer use: 3,688

Wifi Use: 1,572 unique connections

Reference questions: 4,809 (up 35% from last year)

Interlibrary Loans transactions: 353

Drop in story time = 4 programs, 210 participants

Baby Sing and Play = 4 programs, 87 participants

After school club = 4 programs, 45 participants

PJ Storytime = 1 program, 7 participants

Tours = 2 Children's, 77 participants – 3 Adult, 20 participants

Loaded electronic records = 2306

Loaded regular records = 480 items

Adult programs = 8 programs, 71 participants

Collections

The new children's topical picture book collection is now all out and available on the shelf. Individual topical spine labels have been created to identify the items. Staff have also included a small collection of local artist music CDs into our local author collection.

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