Ontario Public Library Guidelines Monitoring and Accreditation Council Wednesday, September 10, 2025, 2:00–3:30pm – via Zoom

Present:

Elise C. Cole [Chair] (OLA: OPLA), Karen Milligan (CELUPL)

Caroline Goulding [Vice-Chair] (Small Lib-North) Catherina Moskau (Francophone)

Beth Rumble (ARUPLO) Eric Guernsey (OLBA)

Allison Pilon (OLS) Cathy Fairbairn (Small Lib–South)

Regrets:

Feather Maracle (First Nations); Kelly Bernstein (AMPLO); Adam Haviaras (MTCG)

1. Call to Order

Elise called the meeting to order at 2:06pm.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion 25-23 – Moved by Catherina, seconded by Beth, that the agenda be approved. **CARRIED.**

3. Approval of the Minutes of June 11, 2025

Motion 25-24 – Moved by Eric, seconded by Catherina, that the minutes of the August 13, 2025, meeting be approved. **CARRIED.**

4. New Business

a. Fall audits update

Allison and Beth will audit the County of Brant Public Library. Date of the audit to be determined.

b. Request for Extension: Hawkesbury Public Library

Motion 25-25 – Moved by Catherina, seconded by Beth, that OPLG council grant Hawkesbury Public Library a fresh start for accreditation in 2026.

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

a. Standing item: Update from Guidelines and Indigenous Matters sub-committee: Feather, Caroline and Kelly

No updates from this committee. Notes will be reviewed during guidelines development.

b. Report from Allison, Caroline and Elise: Update re revised Guidelines from Areas 1 and 2 as required

No update as the group was no able to meet. Caroline did work on it individually with her notes and updates in the spreadsheet.

c. 2026 Edition Guidelines Development

Council worked on Area IV to VII, acknowledged notes from Caroline, the Indigenous sub-committee and made additional notes for the drafting of 2026 guidelines.

6. Motion to Adjourn

Motion 25-26— Moved by Catherina that the meeting be adjourned at 3:26pm. CARRIED.

Next Meeting: October 8, 2025, 2-3:30pm EDT