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Library Board elects officers

NANAIMO, February 1, 2012 – The board of trustees of Vancouver Island Regional Library (VIRL), at its recent annual general meeting, re-elected Ronna-Rae Leonard by acclamation to serve a one-year term as Chair, and elected Brenda Leigh by acclamation to serve a one-year term as Vice-Chair.

Nine members were elected to serve on the board executive committee as follows: Penny Cote, Bruce Jolliffe, Mel Dorey, Joe Bratkowski, Dave Rushton, George Holme, Sue Powell, Wally Cheer and Randy Oliwa.

The VIRL board administers an \$18.2-million budget for 38 libraries plus one eLibrary on Vancouver Island (except Victoria), Haida Gwaii, and Bella Coola on the Central Coast.

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Editor: see attached list of 2012 VIRL Board of Trustees.

VIRL General Facts & Stats

- 364 employees (172 FTEs)
- Total population served by VIRL: 417,524
- Residents with VIRL borrower card: 161,326
- VIRL holdings: 993,657 items (books, magazines, CDs, DVDs)
- VIRL's administrative offices are located in Nanaimo

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