



Executive Committee and Officers of Library Board Elected at 2016 Annual General Meeting

NANAIMO, January 20th, 2016 – On January 16th, 2016, the Vancouver Island Regional Library (VIRL) Board of Trustees held its Annual General Meeting and elected its officers and Executive Committee members for 2016.

Bruce Jolliffe, who represents the Comox Valley Regional District, was re-elected a fourth year as Board Chair. Bruce Jolliffe has been a member of the VIRL Board since 2009. Elected as Vice-Chair, Tom Duncan, who represents the City of Duncan, was newly elected. Tom Duncan has been a member of the Board since 2012, and has served on the Board's Executive Committee for two years.

Nine members at large were elected to serve on the Board of Trustees Executive Committee, three of which are new members to the Committee:

- Noba Anderson (Strathcona Regional District)
- Barry Avis (Town of Qualicum Beach)
- Bill Beldessi (Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District)
- Diane Brennan (City of Nanaimo)
- Howard Houle (Regional District of Nanaimo)
- Andrew Merilees (Village of Masset)
- Kerrie Reay (District of Sooke)
- Dave Rushton (Mount Waddington Regional District)
- Gordon Waterman (Village of Gold River)

Newly appointed members to the Board of Trustees this year include Noba Anderson (Strathcona Regional District), Lucas Banton (Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District), and Jack Thornburgh (District of North Saanich).

The Vancouver Island Regional Library Board of Trustees, which is comprised of elected representatives from 28 member municipalities and 10 regional districts, administers a budget of over \$20 million.

For more information about the 2016 Board of Trustees, including elected officers, please visit us at <http://virl.bc.ca/about-us/library-board>.

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Vancouver Island Regional Library (VIRL) is the fifth-largest library system in British Columbia. We serve over 430,000 people on Vancouver Island, Haida Gwaii, and Bella Coola on the Central Coast through 39 branch libraries, a virtual branch, and a books-by-mail service. VIRL's holdings number one million and include books, magazines, CDs and DVDs. Administrative offices are located in Nanaimo.

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