

Public Library Advisory Board

Board Members

Members

Herman Hansen, Winnipeg
Rick Walker, Winnipeg
Dr. Stan Gardner, The Pas
Camille Callison, Winnipeg
Vic Pereira, Winnipeg
Karen Adams, Winnipeg⁽¹⁾

Note: The Chair is elected at the first meeting in each year.

⁽¹⁾ Nominated by the Senate of the University of Manitoba

Mandate:

The Public Library Advisory Board (PLAB) is legislated under the Public Libraries Act, Part 1, Sections 2 and 3. The Advisory Board “may advise, and make recommendations to the Minister upon all matters to which this Act refers”.

Membership:

Section 2(1) of The Public Libraries Act states:

“The Public Library Advisory Board, consisting of not more than six members appointed by order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, one of whom shall be appointed from among persons nominated by The Senate of The University of Manitoba, and also the following ex-officio members:

- (a) the deputy to the minister or any other person employed by the government under the minister designated for the purpose from time to time by the minister; and
- (b) the Director of Libraries.

The board elects the Chair.

Responsibilities:

To advise and make recommendations to the Minister on all matters within the Public Libraries Act.

Desirable Expertise:

Common practice is that members of the Board have a strong commitment to library service in Manitoba as trustees, librarians or concerned individuals. Board members should represent a broad spectrum including various geographic locations, cultural experience and professional expertise.

It is recommended that one member of the board be fluent in French.

Remuneration:

None; however, reimbursement for meeting expenses (travel, accommodations, and meals) is provided.

Meeting:

Usually determined by the Board itself. Possibly 5 or 6 meetings per year, in the evening, in Winnipeg.