
YOU CAN HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY

The West Nipissing
Public Library Board
is looking for Board
members for the
2022-2026 term.



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Become a Library Board Member

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WHAT IS THE LIBRARY BOARD?

The West Nipissing Public Library Board is the governing body of the Library. The Board follows the Ontario Public Library Act, and members are appointed by Council following the application process. The Board is responsible for:

- Advocating for the Library
- Hiring and Evaluating the CEO
- Developing a Strategic Plan for the Library
- Creating and revising policy required for the operation of the Library
- Developing and overseeing budget

The Board delegates responsibility for the daily operations of the Library to the CEO.

WHO CAN BE A LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER?

The Ontario Public Library Act mandates that Board members must be:

- At least 18 years old
- A Canadian citizen
- A resident of the municipality or of a contracting municipality
- Not employed by the municipality



HOW MANY MEMBERS SIT ON THE LIBRARY BOARD?

The West Nipissing Public Library Board has a minimum of 5 members. One member is a Council representative and the remainder are residents of the community.

HOW MUCH TIME IS REQUIRED?

Board members attend monthly meetings with the exception of July and August, which are only held if necessary. Meetings are approximately 1-2 hours long. Occasionally, meetings are held for subcommittees such as Budget, Policy, Strategic Plan, and Evaluation. Board members will serve a 4 year term, concurrent with the West Nipissing Council.

WILL I BE PAID?

Library Board members are volunteers. Travel expenses for meetings in other locations than Sturgeon Falls can be claimed following the Library's policy.

WHAT MAKES A GOOD LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER?

Most importantly, Board members must be members of the community, be passionate about the Library, and willing to advocate on behalf of the Library. As a Board member, you have an open mind, good communication skills, diverse interests and skills, and you're willing to work as member of a team committed to community service. You're also ready to learn about public library issues.

HOW DO I APPLY?

After the municipal election, the municipality of West Nipissing will advertise for Board and Committee vacancies. The application form will be available on the municipality's website. Municipal Council will nominate Board members at their first regular meeting.

