



Surrey Public Library Board Self-Evaluation (2006)

Circle the response that best reflects your opinion. Send the form to the Chief Librarian. Results will be compiled and averaged for the whole Board. Individuals will not be identified.

Rating scale: 1-Strongly Disagree 2-Disagree 3-Unsure 4-Agree 5-Strongly Agree.

How well has the Board performed?

Knowledge of Goals and Roles

The mission, goals and objectives of the Library are clear to me.	1	2	3	4	5
My role on the Board is clear to me.	1	2	3	4	5
The initial orientation and continuing board development enable me to be a better trustee.	1	2	3	4	5
The Board respects the role of the Chief Librarian to manage the operation of the Library, and follows its mandate to set the strategic direction for the Library.	1	2	3	4	5
The Board has developed criteria and a process for annually evaluating the Chief Librarian.	1	2	3	4	5

Meetings

Agendas are well-organized and include the items that should appear on a regular basis.	1	2	3	4	5
Trustees have opportunity to provide input for agendas.	1	2	3	4	5
Board meetings focus on the Library's strategic plan, annual goals and objectives, and strategic issues as they arise.	1	2	3	4	5
Trustees receive adequate materials in enough time to allow them to prepare for meetings.	1	2	3	4	5
Board meetings are interesting, engaging and productive.	1	2	3	4	5
Meetings are conducted in a fashion that allows all Board members to participate.	1	2	3	4	5
I come prepared for the Board meetings.	1	2	3	4	5
The process for making decisions is effective.	1	2	3	4	5
We do a good job of encouraging and dealing effectively with different points of view.	1	2	3	4	5

Communication and Participation

Trustees support the decisions we make as a Board. 1 2 3 4 5

The Board communicates clearly and regularly with:

- appropriate staff 1 2 3 4 5
- City Council and the provincial government 1 2 3 4 5
- other libraries 1 2 3 4 5
- the Surrey community 1 2 3 4 5

- I participate fully in Board activities, including:
 - regular attendance at Board meetings 1 2 3 4 5
 - regular attendance at committee meetings 1 2 3 4 5
 - participation in community events 1 2 3 4 5

The Board has a strong profile in the community. 1 2 3 4 5

Governance

The Committee system is effective. 1 2 3 4 5

The Board Chair provides effective leadership. 1 2 3 4 5

The Board has a “succession plan” for its (i.e. Board) leadership. 1 2 3 4 5

My overall rating of the Board’s performance (please circle one):

1-Needs Improvement 2-Satisfactory 3-Good 4-Very Good 5-Excellent

If you could change 3 things about how the Board operates, what would they be? and why?