



Mount Pleasant Community Centre Association
Annual General Meeting
October 23, 2018

1. Call to order at 7:09 pm.
2. Introduction of head table: Anita Romaniuk
3. Introduction of special guests: Tricia Barker, John Irwin, Gwen Giesbrecht, Stuart Mckinnon, Michael Wiebe, Darren Peterson, and Gary Wozny.
4. Introduction of staff: Jennifer Trach, Ny Lath, and Gary Cho.

5. Approval of Agenda

Motion: To approve agenda as presented.

Moved by Gary Richmond, Seconded by Jim Bennett - CARRIED

6. Approval of Minutes

- No additions or corrections to be made.

Motion: To approve the minutes of the October 24th, 2017 Annual General Meeting as presented.

Moved by Gary Richmond, Seconded by Jim Bennett – CARRIED

7. President's Report

- The JOA has finally been signed and it is currently in its implementation stage. The Association Presidents Group (APG) are meeting are held monthly again. There are also meetings held between APG and the Park Board to discuss issues and concerns. For any new members hoping to join the MPCCA Board, a copy of the JOA and the Constitution and Bylaws would be provided.
- VanPlay and VanSplash, consultations for Parks and Recreation, are both ongoing. MPCCA has been actively involved with both consultations.
- The Association has been assisting with the fundraising for the Dude Chilling Statue. This statue was originally made from wood and it started to deteriorate. The statue was situated at Guelph Park, also known as Dude Chilling Park, before it was taken by the Artist to be bronzed.
- Thank you to the Board members for their hard work and dedication. Also thank you to Casey Crawford, previous Park Board Commissioner, for attending the Board meetings and reporting back on questions that members had.

Motion: That the President's report is accepted as presented.

Moved by Anita Romaniuk, Seconded by David Fielding – CARRIED

8. Treasurer's Report

- The audited financial statements were reviewed by the Audit Committee and it was recommended to the Board of Directors that the statements be approved. The statements were voted to be approved by 11 out of 14 Directors.
- The overall financial position of the Association has improved over the year. On page 4 of the financial statements, there is a summary of expenses and revenue for the year. There is a division between Association and Park Board. Majority of the revenue is up, as well as expenses, but there was still a net profit of \$74000.
- Thank you to Chelsey Amaral and Cathy Hudson, both bookkeepers, for keeping track of the revenue and expenses of the Association.

Motion: To accept the financial statements as audited.

Moved by David Fielding, Seconded by Gary Richmond - CARRIED

- Gary Wozny presents the summary and auditor's opinion report that the financials have been reported fairly in accordance to Canadian Accounting Standards for Not for Profit Organizations.

Appointment of Auditors for 2018-2019

Motion: To appoint the accounting firm of Tompkins, Wozny, Miller, Co as the auditors for 2018-2019.

Moved by David Fielding, Seconded by Gary Richmond - CARRIED

9. Committee Reports

a) Pool Committee - Margery Duda

- Vansplash, the 25 year aquatic strategy, consultations had wrapped up and went to Park Board in December 2017. There was a lively discussion and the report wasn't well received. It was deferred to January where there were amendments to the report came forward. One of the changes presented was to build a full size outdoor pool at Mount Pleasant. Before the motion to amend the report was passed, another motion was put forward to refer the entire report back to staff; this motion was carried. Staff reported back in April with recommendations to form a public advisory committee to review VanSplash and provide feedback to Park Board. The Pool Committee remains actively involved with the whole process.
- Currently, there is roughly \$112262 has been raised for the pool replacement fund. Anybody who would like to donate can receive a tax receipt from the centre. New members are also welcome to join the Pool Committee.
- There is space already allocated for a full size outdoor pool as depicted in the 2010 Master Plan by Park Board. They adopted this policy for the future outdoor pool when funds become available.

Motion: To accept the 2017-2018 Pool Committee report as presented.

Moved by Margery Duda, Seconded by Valentina Palamos - CARRIED

b) Program Committee – Ny Lath

- The Mount Pleasant Festival in July was a big highlight of the year. There was more advertising done this year, in addition to promotions done by the featured artist, Marnie. The numbers for the event was very good with about 400 in attendance.
- Longtime member, Carol Sogawa is stepping down from the Program Committee. A card is available for those who wish to sign it and wish her farewell.
- Next event will be Halloween coming up this week and then Breakfast with Santa.

Motion: To accept the Program Committee report as presented.

Moved by Michael Dubelko, Seconded by Margery Duda - CARRIED

10. Staff Report

a) Community Recreation Supervisor - Jennifer Trach

- Wes Uyeyama retired in February of this year. Lily Dong, Supervisor from Hillcrest, was helping out in the interim. Wes was previously overseeing both Mount Pleasant and Creekside Community Centre. Jen has transferred on a full time basis in May to oversee Mount Pleasant Community Centre.
- It easy to see that this centre was quite unique with the partnership between the Library, Community Centre and Childcare Centre. The Staff and Board have great to work with. The programming staff, Darwyn and Ny, have held thing well together even though there were a lot of changes with Management. Sonia, the Recreation Facility Clerk, manages the front office staff and ensures that all customers are provided with excellent service.
- Federal funding the Summer Youth Leadership program was not received, but luckily the Community Centre Association stepped up and provided funding. The program was able to operate throughout the summer. The program had over 70 kids and they were taught positive leadership, developing them into future volunteers and staff of the centre.
- Thank you to the staff for all their hard work and time. Also, thank you to the Board for being so supportive with the transition the new JOA and completing the Delegation Of Duties.
- Gary Richmond, speaking on behalf of the Board, notes that the Board is thrilled with the work that Jennifer has done thus far.

Motion: To accept the Community Recreation Supervisor report as presented.

Moved by Jim Bennett, Seconded by Valentina Palamos - CARRIED

b) Child Care Manager – Gary Richmond on behalf of Kim Hempler

- The Childcare Committee is a very active. All members are very involved and the Childcare Manager has been working very hard to make this a successful operation. The Mount Pleasant Community Centre Association has been involved with childcare since the old facility on Ontario Street. It started off with a small preschool and evolved to 3 Corners facility and the Our House Preschool located at the old site. The facilities provide services to over 600 children and there a staff team consisting of 45 full time and part time employees. The staff are highly skilled, but not very well paid. Staff retention and recruitment can be a problem at times.

- In the past year, there has been a wonderful Provincial Government Program related to reducing the fees for parents. In addition, there has been a wage enhancement for the staff as well. The staff do a wonderful job and provide a great service to the kids and families.
- The Childcare accounts for a large part of the revenue for the Association. The Childcare Committee along with the staff try to make sure that the program quality is at the highest.

Motion: To accept the Childcare Committee report as presented.

Moved by Gary Richmond, Seconded by Michael Dubelko - CARRIED

11. Nominations and election of the Board of Directors

There are 16 Board members positions and 2 can be appointed. One of 16 positions is allocated to the Past President, Christopher Richardson. Anita Romaniuk reported that following six are entitled to continue:

1. Maja Jensen
2. Joanna Fraser
3. Rebecca Doel
4. David Fielding
5. Valentina Palamos
6. Claire Wang

The seven are standing:

1. Anita Romaniuk
2. Michael Dubelko
3. Gary Richmond
4. Margery Duda
5. Jim Bennett
6. Rod Hashimoto
7. Thomas Fahey

Motion: To acclaim Thomas Fahey as the member to serve one year term.

Moved by Thomas Fahey, Seconded by Jim Bennett – CARRIED

Two new members are interested in joining the Board:

1. David Claassen
2. Meghan Munro

No other nomination from the floor. As the number of available positions exceeds the number candidates, an election is not required.

Acclamation: Anita Romaniuk, Michael Dubelko, Gary Richmond, Margery Duda, Jim Bennett, Rod Hashimoto, David Claassen, Meghan Munro are acclaimed as members to serve two year terms.

12. Swearing in of new Board Members

Stuart Mackinnon, Park Board Commissioner, swore in the Board Members.

13. New Business

a) Candidates Forum

- A member, Gail Milner, presents a motion to the MPCCA Board of Directors concerning candidates' forum in the neighbourhood. Gail has noted that it was difficult to locate a candidates' forum around the community, but was able to participate in one hosted at the Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House. Gail would like to see that the community centre hosts such forums for members.

Motion: THAT the newly-elected Board take steps to ensure that Candidates Forums be conducted for all future political elections.

Moved by Gail Milner, Seconded by Claire Wang – AMENDED

Concerns regarding conflicts of space being used for candidates' forum. Park Board Staff of the community centre would not be involved in the planning process as they must remain neutral. Any candidates' forum would need to be organized solely by the Association. It may be a little challenging as the onus would fall on the Board and there is a lot of work involved, but it is recommended that the motion be amended to encourage the Board to look at the feasibility of hosting such forums.

Motion: THAT the newly-elected Board take steps to explore the possibility of conducting Candidates Forums at the Community Centre for future political elections.

Moved by Gail Milner, Seconded by Thomas Fahey – CARRIED

b) Mike Wiebe

Anita would like to recognize Mike Wiebe, a Park Board Commissioner elected to City Council taking office on November 5th.

14. Meeting adjourned 8:12 pm