



Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting Mount Pleasant Community Centre Association

Date: Tuesday, January 17th, 2017

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Art Room, Mount Pleasant Community Centre

Present: Gary Richmond, Vice President
Christopher Richardson, Past President
Thomas Fahey, Member At Large
David Fielding, Board Member
Michael Dubelko, Board Member
Rod Hashimoto, Board Member
Alex Burton, Board Member
Jim Bennett, Board Member
Rojina Farrokhnejad, Board Member

Regrets: Anita Romaniuk, President
Margery Duda, Member At Large
Joanna Fraser, Board Member
Kim Hempler, Child Care Manager

Staff: Wes Uyeyama, Supervisor of Recreation Services
Gary Cho, Administrative Assistant
Casey Crawford, Park Board Commissioner

Guests:

Absent:

I **Call to Order:** at 6:43 PM by presiding officer Gary Richmond.

II **Acceptance of Agenda**

David would like to add item "Mount Pleasant zoning changes" under section New Business.

III **Approval of Minutes from December 6th and 17th, 2016:**

Moved by: David / Seconded by: Michael / Abstain: Alex

THAT the Board meeting minutes of the December 6th and 17th, 2016 are adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

IV **Park Board Commissioner Report**

- A. There is a 2% increase to all fees and charges that has been approved by Park Board for 2017. The percentage increase is similar to the increase in the cost of living. There will be no cuts to services and there will be a change in the pricing model for Pitch and Putt golf courses.
- B. The operating and capital budget for 2017 has been approved. Some capital projects include renewal of parts on the Stanley Park seawall, Killarney Seniors Centre project design and

construction and renewal of Marpole Oakridge Community Centre. Funds have been allocated to the outdoor pool. No location on the pool has been selected, but the data and recommendations from the VanSplash study will be presented by staff.

- C. Some of the Commissioners brought up concerns that there were no discussions, involvement or consultations prior to using community centres as warming centres. There were 5 community centres that were used and the total number of visits was close to 4000. There will be a new policy developed to ensure that in the future, warming centres will be better operated and located. Staff will also receive better training and support. Christopher notes that the MPCCA Board may want to look at being considered as a warming centre for the future.
- D. There is an outdoor pickleball court added to Queen Elizabeth Park with more courts to be added in the Spring. Pickleball is a fast growing sport in Vancouver and is very popular at community centres.
- E. Gary raised the question of which centre would be renewed after Marpole Oakridge. Casey notes that Councillor Reimer mentioned that there is a list. Christopher explains that there was a list, but every change with the Board, there was a refresh of the list. Between 1999 and 2002, Associations worked with Park Board staff to develop a list of community centres to be renewed. There were funds allocated from every 3 capital budgets to renew the centres. It has now changed to 1 centre every 8 years.

V Financial Report:

- A. Programs are in a positive position of roughly \$80,000 and the Childcare is in the positive \$52,000. The important point to note is that the centre is doing better with \$67,000 in net income than last year, which was only \$15,000. Gary notes that the net revenue for the Childcare may be overstated. Kim has noted that it may be overstated as there is a payroll period that may have been missed and maintenance costs that will come later. In addition, there is some spending done later in the year. Rod notes that the values are accurate to date. Christopher adds that it is also attributed to timing issues and it is fair to say that the timing differences need to be kept in mind to prevent overspending.

Moved by: David / Seconded by: Christopher

THAT the Board accepts the financial statements as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VI Committee Reports

- A. Gary Richmond passes the chair to Rod Hashimoto.
- B. Childcare Committee
 - 1) Enrollment levels are doing very well. There have been some changes to the practice of holding enrollment spaces for families.
 - 2) An application has been submitted to the 2017 Canada Summer Grant for 3 students and approvals will be completed in April. There will be another application for another grant, the MCFD Minor Capital Grant. The \$2000 is to be used for school age equipment.
 - 3) The lease has been renewed with the City of Vancouver for 3 Corners. There are two five term renewals that run from November 23, 2014 to November 22, 2019 and November 23, 2019 to November 22, 2024.
 - 4) Kim attended the Vancouver Early Years Partnership workshop. At the workshop, Kim spoke with a City of Vancouver staff that mentioned they were looking for developers to add a child care component to their project in the area to address the lack of child care spaces.
 - 5) There are now two 3 Corners Program Supervisors that have been working in their positions for a month and have been doing well. There have been some staffing challenges due to the illness

at the facility. The Childcare Committee would like to invite other Board members to be a part of the committee.

- 6) Alex puts forward a suggestion to include incidents of injuries, how many health issues, and more detailed information regarding staffing such as how often substitutes are brought in. The reports are appreciated, but it would be useful to include the suggested information.
- 7) Rod raises the concern regarding the two new supervisory positions and the increase in costs with raises in pay. Gary states that there are no increases in costs and that the costs are neutral.

C. Rod Hashimoto passes the chair back to Gary Richmond.

D. Pool Committee

- 1) No report.
- 2) Alex asks question whether the Pool Committee is still lobbying to have the outdoor pool at Mount Pleasant Park. There are now regular users of the Park and the implementation of the pool would remove a lot of the green space. It is recommended to reach out to the community that uses the park and have their input on the outdoor pool. Thomas notes that many of the users of the park seem to be the same crowd that would be in support of a pool at the park.

E. Community Outreach Committee

- 1) No report.

F. Park Committee

- 1) No report.

G. Executive Committee

- 1) The Childcare presentation will be scheduled for the February meeting and the RISE program will be presented in March.
- 2) All changes with signing officers are now confirmed.
- 3) Cathy has also asked for advice regarding term deposits and whether there should be two term deposits of \$100,000. One of the concerns is having all the money tied up in one term deposit of \$200,000. It is discussed and decided that a laddered approach be taken and take Cathy's advice on having two term deposits instead.

H. Program Committee

- 1) Thomas acknowledges Jim's presence after his injury in Hawaii.
- 2) Darwyn is back to his programming position and Wes is back to his Supervisor portfolio. Ny is the successful candidate for Recreation Programmer I and Sead is the successful candidate for the RPT Fitness Centre Worker position. Amanda and Cynthia did a great job with overseeing some of Darwyn programming responsibilities during his interim as Supervisor. Kin may potential return to his position in late February - early March.
- 3) Rosa is trying to organize camping trip to Camp Sasamat. She would like request funds from the Board to commit 5 additional spots, which totals \$1000. Through fundraising, the youth have already raised \$1000. If funding is received, a total of 10 youth will be able to attend the camp.
- 4) The Mount Pleasant Festival will be held on July 29th. Moana and Sing are two possible movies
- 5) Randi Edmundson is the artist that is putting together puppetry workshops. There will be a public performance during Parent and Tot Gym on Saturday February 4 and Games Room on Sunday February 5 @ 11:00am.

- 6) The E-Marketing Report has been sent to the Board and awaiting for direction. In the meantime, the Board can decide to either continue the drop off of postcards or do brochures drop.

VII Staff Report

- A. Paul Thomas at Raycam Community Centre has an aneurism and passed away. He was only 40 years old. The celebration of life will be held this Saturday.
- B. There is an in-service for staff coming up on January 28th and there will be a workshop for the staff with how to deal with mental health. The workshop is put together by Vancouver Coastal Health.
- C. An application was submitted to a Vancouver Coastal Health grant and \$5000 has received for the RISE program. The program has been operating for 3 years.
- D. The warming centre at Creekside Community Recreation Centre started on December 17th after a phone call at 2pm. The centre was open from December 17th to January 9th, with only 4 days that were not operational. The centre being used as a warming centre was a learning experience, and there will be recommendations coming from senior staff. On average, there were approximately 25 users of the warming centre.
- E. There were discussions regarding having Naloxone kits available at community centres. Christopher will draft up a proposal and bring it to the next Board Meeting.
- F. Alex wanted to note that Casey had stayed at this meeting for 2 hours and has had an exemplary attendance to these meetings.

VIII President's Report:

- A. No report.

IX New Business:

- A. JOA
 - 1) There was a revised version of the agreement that was released, this was not expected. Coverage on the JOA is in social media, interviews and press releases. The concerns that the Associations had raised were not addressed in the agreement. The concerns raised are regarding memberships (opt in and opt out model), contribution to the CIF, financials and governance.
- B. Request for media funding
 - 1) There is a platform that was created to communicate with the public through twitter. @vancouver_ccas
 - 2) **Moved by: Alex / Seconded by: Jim**
THAT the Board approves \$1000 to be paid to Renfrew Community Centre to cover the cost of retaining the media consultant to develop and maintain a media strategy.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- C. Marketing research document
 - 1) Darwyn had been in contact with an individual who wanted to help with the marketing of the centre. A detailed marketing research document was distributed by Darwyn which provides an outlook on the current situation for Mount Pleasant. The document provides details of what was done in the past, present and what needs to be next. Rojina notes that the research document was well done and covers important topics such as the centre's weaknesses and the need to see an e-strategy for the centre. The Board would like to ask that this be presented formally. Thomas and Michael will bring this back to the Program Committee. This item is to be tabled and referred back to at the next meeting.

D. Childcare presentation for board meeting

- 1) The Childcare presentation will be held in February's Board meeting.

E. Zoning Changes in Mount Pleasant

- 1) There is a public hearing on January 26th at 6pm at City Hall. It is in regards to amendments being made to the to the zoning and development by-law in Mount Pleasant industrial area. David will be providing a link to Board Members.

X **Adjournment: *Meeting adjourned at 8:54pm. Next meeting on Tuesday February 21st, at 6:30pm.***

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