



# Minutes

## Board of Directors Meeting Mount Pleasant Community Centre Association

**Date:** Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**Time:** 6:30 PM

**Location:** Art Room, Mount Pleasant Community Centre

**Present:** Anita R., President  
Gary R., Vice President  
David F., Treasurer  
Margery D., Secretary  
Thomas F., Member At Large  
Rod H., Board Member  
Jim B., Board Member  
Claire W., Board Member

**Staff:** Jennifer T., Community Recreation Supervisor

**Guests:** Santos P., Guest

**Absent:** Ashok P., Board Member

**Recorder:** Gary C., Administrative Assistant

**Regrets:** Christopher R., Past President  
Joanna F., Board Member  
Rebecca D., Board Member  
Michael D., Board Member  
Maja J., Board Member  
Valentina P., Board Member  
Casey C., Park Board Commissioner  
Kim H., Child Care Manager

I **Call to Order:** at 6:35 PM by presiding officer Anita Romaniuk.

II **Acceptance of Agenda**

*Moved by: Gary / Seconded by: Jim*

THAT the Board accepts the amended agenda for today's meeting.

**CARRIED**

III **Approval of Minutes from September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

*Moved by: Gary / Seconded by: Jim*

THAT the amended Board meeting minutes of the September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 are adopted.

**CARRIED**

IV **Park Board Commissioner's Report**

- No report.

V **Financials**

- The auditors have completed their audit and will be meeting with David, Anita and Jen to review it.

VI **Committee Reports**

A. Childcare Committee

- An application for a grant will be submitted to the Child Care BC Maintenance Fund. Current items that need replacing are the blinds, dryer and play furniture.
- The Seeds of Empathy program is being implemented in the 4 day a week preschool class at Our House. Training will be taking place on Sunday October 28, 2018. This is a new initiative that is being implemented for this year.

- "TAPS", Talking About Personal Space, program is being implemented in late October in the 3-5 program at 3 Corner. The program focuses on children's interaction with each other, helping them understand their own personal space and boundaries.
- The Child Care Committee is looking at implementing Parent Education Nights for families of child care programs. There may be 3 sessions provided in a year, covering possible topics of nutrition toileting or sleeping.
- A 3 Corners Program Supervisor is expecting a baby soon and will be leaving at the end of December.
- Kim was surprised at the high increase for staff benefits. As the cost was quite high with the original provider, a new service provider has been selected.
- There is difficulty with finding staff with extra infant and toddler certifications. Perhaps a market solution needs to be looked at and developed. The Board will wait for the Child Care Committee to investigate the situation and report back.

#### B. Pool Committee

- Elections are approaching and some Pool Committee members went out to the all candidates forum. Questions were presented to the Park Board candidates and each parties' platforms on outdoor pools have been compiled. A lot of candidates were in support of the pool. Find out more on the Vancouver Society for Promotion of Outdoor Pools or its affiliate body's websites.

#### C. Community Outreach Committee

- Thomas met with Neil Wyles, the Executive Director of the MPBIA, who said that he had approached Mount Pleasant Community Centre Association a while ago to be more involved, but didn't get a response. Neil is ecstatic to build closer relationships between MPBIA and MPCCA. He will be out of town for the AGM, but will have his colleague attend in lieu.
- The MPNH has also stated that they are interested in resorting relationship with the MPCCA.

#### D. Park Committee

- No report.

#### E. Program Committee

- Carol Sogawa has decided to step down from the Program Committee. Carol was a Park Board employee and after retiring, she joined the Board. She had stepped down from the Board previously and stayed on the Program Committee. The committee recommends that she is recognized for her years of service.
- CIBC Dodge for Kids event held in the gymnasium raised \$5075 this year for a total of just over \$20000 in the last two years. The Mount Pleasant Association contributed in kind through waiving the rental fees.
- RISE Leaders have put together a series of 4 workshops to share their culture. They want to propose to Park Board to continue these workshops at all 22 community centres. These workshops are part of Mount Pleasant's reconciliation plan. It is requested that more details regarding the Reconciliation Plan be provided by the Program Committee.
- A report has been provided by staff from the Pre-Teen Leadership Camp. There was a total of 70 youth that attended the camp this summer. The grant application that was submitted for this program wasn't approved this year. The Program Committee recommends submitting a separate the application from the Our House day camps. The Board may want to write to MPs and explain the ramifications of losing funding.
- It was another successful year for the playground. The playground was operating Tuesday to Saturday and the community was pleased to see that. The wading pool drainage issue was repaired after the issue was brought to Park Board.
- The Committee would like to know if anyone is interested in participating in the selection process for Artist in the Community. The money for the program was approved a few months ago. Currently, Ny and Anita are representing MPCC in selecting an artist.
- The possibility of child minding at Mount Pleasant has been suggested before, but there are many challenges. Generally, the regulations make cost recovery very difficult along with appropriate space being available.
- Anita will report back on the collaboration between the Program Committee and Childcare Committee.

## F. Executive Committee

- The Delegation of Duties was signed after the Executive Meeting last week.
- Anita has sent out the criteria for MPCCA emails. An approval process for emailing to the masses will need to be reviewed. A policy will need to be developed surrounding the usage of the email. Things to consider for the policy are: CASL (Canadian Anti-Spam Legislation), Personal vs business related, Board position vs personal opinion, Professionalism, Lobbying Guidelines, approval process, accessibility and password protection. Emails sent out should not be political, free of harassment and respect the Human Rights Code. It is suggested that there be a backup or someone who holds access to manage the accounts. Kristiina, the webmaster, will be consulted on concerns regarding security.

**Moved by: David / Seconded by: Jim**

THAT the MPCCA Board adopts the proposed criteria for MPCCA emails, with the provision that language around harassment and the Human Rights Codes be added as well.

**CARRIED**

- There is still another \$10000 that the Christopher Foundation will match for the Dude Chilling Statue. Originally, Michael Dennis, Christopher Richardson and Michael Wiebe thought that cost of the design and installation of the plinth by the Park Board would be counted towards the campaign, but the Foundation has rejected it. The work being done by Park Board is considered as in kind donation. There is still another \$25000 or \$15000, if the \$10000 is received from the Christopher Foundation, which needs to be raised. There is \$2350 that needs to be raised in order to release the statue from the foundry. It is proposed that the Board advances this amount, which will be reimbursed through GST claim, chimp.net fundraising and \$500 donated by Christopher Richardson.

**Moved by: Gary / Seconded by: Jim**

THAT the MPCCA Board advances \$2400 to pay the foundry with the understanding that the funds will ultimately be returned.

**CARRIED**

- Originally, MPCCA was to be only to play an administrative role in this campaign, however that is not the case at this time. A fundraising plan has been developed and will be presented to the artist before it is submitted to the Christopher Foundation. Some suggestions are to create a GoFundMe account that would appeal to more millennials and others who are attracted to crowd funding, partner with the BIA, host a fundraising event, investigate arts grant, get media publicity and apply for the remaining \$1000 from the Christopher Foundation.
- Anita distributed a list of members who is up for elections at the Annual General Meeting. Mike, Gary, Margery, Jim, Rod and Anita are up for elections. Christopher still has one more year as past President. Two more members are needed for the Board. There have been some candidates that have been forwarded an application package, but Anita hasn't heard back yet. Casey will be a guest speaker for the AGM and extended invitations will be sent to the newly/re-elected Park Board Commissioners. The Executive Committee recommends that the elections for the committee be done on the same night.

## VII Staff Report

- On the last Friday of September, there was an emergency evacuation procedure done before 9AM. The Childcare had to evacuate as well and everybody was out of the building within 7 minutes. There were a few lessons learned through that run.
- The winter brochure is currently in its first draft. A space has been allocated to promote the Dude Chilling fundraising. Anita will create the GoFundMe account and it will be advertised in the brochure.
- The Whip is booked for the MPCCA Christmas event on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018. Details and menu options will be shared when that information is received. There may be a collection for warm clothing items, similar to last year.
- Strathcona received funding from City of Vancouver to review wages for Association Staff. Anita will contact someone at Strathcona to clarify exactly what Association staff is being reviewed.
- There is a system wide planning meeting between Supervisors and Association Presidents to discuss goals, branding and etc.

## VIII President's Report

- No report.

**IX New Business**

**X Adjournment**

- Meeting adjourned at 8:28pm. Next Board meeting to be scheduled on November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:30pm.

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