



Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting Mount Pleasant Community Centre Association

Date: Tuesday, September 17th, 2019

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
Joanna F., Board Member
Jim B., Board Member
Michael D., Board Member
Claire W., Board Member
David C., Board Member
Meghan M., Board Member

Staff: Brenda Tang, Community Recreation Supervisor

Guests: John Irwin, Park Board Commissioner

Absent:

Recorder: Gary C., Administrative Assistant

Regrets: Christopher R., Past President
Rod H., Board Member
Maja J., Board Member
Rebecca D., Board Member
Valentina P., Board Member

I **Call to Order:** at 6:51 PM by presiding officer Anita R.

II Acceptance of Agenda

- There will be an in camera meeting to discuss a childcare related issue.

Moved by: Meghan M. / Seconded by: Thomas F.

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

CARRIED

III Approval of Minutes from April 16th, 2019

Moved by: Gary R. / Seconded by: Jim B.

THAT the Board meeting minutes of June 18th, 2019 are adopted.

CARRIED

IV In-Camera Meeting

Moved by: David F. / Seconded by: Margery D.

THAT the Board moves into an in-camera meeting.

CARRIED

Moved by: Gary R. / Seconded by: Margery D.

THAT the Board moves out of the in-camera meeting.

CARRIED

V Park Board Commissioner's Report

- On Wednesday October 9, there is a special meeting for VanPlay that will be going to the Board for information.
- VanSplash Advisory Committee reported to Park Board on July 30th. Some of the things, John will try and act on. Currently, looking at having outdoor pools open earlier in the spring and close later in the fall. There was a

motion successfully passed to not close pools, but it was circumvented by gradual closures at a later time. There will be a staff response to VanSplash.

- There are concerns with artificial turf crumbs where it was found to contain lead. John had tried to get Park Board to do a test, but that didn't go through as staff are relying on a study done in California. There might be action done on cleaning up the crumbs and a putting a barrier to mitigate the amount of crumbs going into storm drains.

VI Financials

- The Board had budgeted a deficit of \$103,000 for the 2018-2019 budget. The actuals show that the Board may be ending the year with a \$10,000 surplus. There still need to be some adjustments made before everything is finalized. In terms of expenses, there is still the Park Board Operations Fee and credit card fees that needs to be accounted for, which is approximately \$10,000. In terms of revenue, some childcare revenue and grants that hasn't come in with, but that will be equal to roughly \$19,000.
- The 2019-2020 budget needs to be approved. Currently, there is a \$177,000 deficit planned for the year. David requests permission from the Board to review the budget further before it is approved. A big partition of the deficit is coming from the childcare. As part of the JOA, the Board should be approving the new budget after the current fiscal year. The Board has the ability to revise the budget as necessary.

Moved by: Gary R. / Seconded by: Jim B.

THAT the Board provisionally approves the budget for 2019-2020 and it be revised as required.

CARRIED

VII Committee Reports

A. Childcare Committee

- Items discussed during in-camera meeting.

B. Pool Committee

- The recommendations made by the VanSplash Advisory Committee are going to Park Board Commissioners to vote on. Unfortunately, Mount Pleasant Pool wasn't a part of the recommendations. There were no outdoor pools recommended in the 25 year strategy. There was a Rally outside at City Hall and the Park Board office. Many people were chanting "No more closures, build more pools". VanSplash will come back potentially on October 28th. The Park Board Commissioners can always vote to replace the Mount Pleasant Pool outside of VanSplash. The Pool Committee is looking at signage in the looking and has an ongoing letter campaign. The intention is to collect all complete letters and send it as one bundle to Park Board when VanSplash comes back on the agenda.
- Brenda T. states that signage is not a problem for the lobby, but signage at the Park is only permitted for Park Developments only. Blank copies of the letter will be available at the front lobby for people to sign.

C. Community Outreach Committee

- Fundraising took place throughout the summer. The end of the September is the deadline to receive the \$10,000 matching fund from the Christopher Foundation. Anita has been in touch with Kiki from the foundation and they are expecting \$10,000 to be raised by the Association. A total of \$50,435.82 was raised since the beginning of the campaign. The Board had approved the advances for some expenses, but the suggestion is that the Board absorbs the expenses, totaling \$4,542.76, and not expect the funds to be paid back. There is, however, still another \$8,875.18 that needs to be raised. With the deadline approaching, David F. proposes that the Board approves the funds to cover the expenses and the remaining amount to receive the matching fund from the Christopher Foundation.

Moved by: David C. / Seconded by: Jim B.

THAT the Board approves up to \$13,000 in funds towards the Dude Chilling Campaign. Any further funds that come into the campaign will go to the Association as compensation.

CARRIED

- Thomas and Meghan will try to do more community outreach to further the campaign and help offset the funds paid by the Board. There are merchants of the BIA that love the Dude and can continue to sell merchandise. Park Board is planning on placing a plaque for the Dude.
- The Board expresses their strongest appreciation to Anita, Meghan, Thomas, Brenda and the staff team for their hard work at organizing the fundraising event and their continued efforts towards the campaign. The event at the park was great and the band was really good.

D. Park Committee

- No report.

E. Program Committee

- No report.

F. Executive Committee

- There is an all candidates meeting coming up on the September 27th. There hasn't been many people confirmed yet. Currently, there is the Liberal candidate from Granville, Green Party candidate from Granville, Jenny Kwan from VanEast. Jody hasn't accepted yet as well. Forward to Gary R. while Anita is away. Margery suggests sending a follow up email to confirm attendance.

VIII Staff Report

- A call for interest was posted for Darwyn's position and there were 4 individuals that reached out and only 1 applied. Lorelei Lauten is currently the Recreation Programmer II at Douglas Park. She has accepted the position and will be overlapping with Darwyn tomorrow.
- Lani De Jesus is the successful candidate for the Moresports Hub Developer position. She comes from Trout Lake and will be starting on September 24. There will be basketball, dodgeball and soccer running out of Dickens and Robson Park.
- Riya Talwar is the acting Community Youth Worker for Mount Pleasant. She started on Friday September 20, covering for Diana's position. The position has been posted and it will close later this month. Riya may apply for the permanent position as well. She has had about 1 year in the Community Youth Worker position.
- There is an all staff in service on October 5, Staff from the fitness centre, front line, childcare, and maintenance are invited. Focus will be on safety, working together, respectful workplace and other topics.

IX President's Report

- There is an APG meeting for the 3rd of October. If anybody is interested in attend in lieu of Anita, please let her know. Anita will forward the information and invite.
- There is an invitation from Mike Wiebe to attend an event on September 23rd to discuss the waterfront and health of the surrounding shores. It will be held at the pub in downtown. Anita can send it to the whole Board and those interested can attend.

X New Business

XI Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 9:10pm. Next Board meeting to be scheduled on September 15th, 2019 at 6:30pm.

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