

# MINUTES – BOARD



## Britannia Board Meeting June 14, 2023

### Via Zoom and Conference Room

- PRESENT:** Annie Danilko, John Flipse, Vera Jones, Susanne Dahlin, Ariela Friedmann, Farren Gillaspie, Pat Hogan, Craig Ollenberger, Naina Varshney, Sam Quastel, Nicki Simpson, Ama Birch, Terumi Squibb, Randy Gatley (VPL)
- STAFF:** Cynthia Low, Jacky Hughes, Peter Odynsky, Suzette Amaya, Raquel Lu (Recording)
- REGRETS:** Ashki Shkur, Oliver Tennant, Rose Mackenzie (VSB), Maddie LaFleur (VSB), Laura Christensen (VPB)
- GUEST:** Kwákwáʔel7simia Wendy Nahanee

### Call to Order

Chair Annie Danilko called the meeting to order at 6:06PM.

### Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Kwákwáʔel7simia Wendy Nahanee recognized the ancestral and x<sup>w</sup>məθkwəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səl̓ílwətaʔ (Tseil-Waututh) Peoples, and extended gratefulness to work, play and live on these unceded lands.

A presentation of Coast Salish Teaching was shared.

### 1. ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE

- PRESIDENT: ANNIE DANILKO
- VICE PRESIDENT: PAMELA DUNDAS
- TREASURER: JOHN FLIPSE
- MEMBER AT LARGE: CRAIG OLLENBERGER
- MEMBER AT LARGE: NICKI SIMPSON

### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#### MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED

MOVED BY Craig Ollenberger  
SECONDED BY Pamela Dundas

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 10, 2023

#### MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES AS PRESENTED

MOVED BY Susanne Dahlin  
SECONDED BY Naina Varshney

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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## 4. NEW BUSINESS

### a. Conflict of Interest, Board Policies and Committees (C. Low)

**INFORMATION**

- 2023/2024 Board of Management self-identification of possible conflict of interests in presenting and ensuring the best interest of Britannia Society and not of individual areas to derive personal benefit from actions or decisions made in their official capacity.
  - A. Danilko affiliation with U.N.Y.A.
  - C. Ollenberger affiliation G.W.A.C.
  - V. Jones affiliation with I.R.S.S.S.

### b. Board Meeting Dates (C. Low)

**APPROVAL**

- Discussion of Board Planning Day proposed for end of October to the Board Development Committee

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE BOARD MEETING DATES AS PRESENTED**

MOVED BY Pamela Dundas

SECONDED BY Craig Ollenberger

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### c. Scholarships (C. Low for J. Shier)

**APPROVAL**

- The Society will provide \$8,500 towards scholarships for Britannia Secondary, Templeton Secondary, and Van Tech Secondary School
- Request for Board Representative to present scholarships at each school's graduation ceremony

#### **MOTION TO AWARD SCHOLARSHIPS AS PRESENTED**

MOVED BY Naina Varshney

SECONDED BY Pat Hogan

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### d. GIC Investments (C. Low for J. Shier)

**APPROVAL**

- Britannia is currently not maximizing its investment revenue and there is a clear need to invest in more GIC's
- As per the Britannia Annual Surplus policy, there will be a transfer to the Britannia Foundation later in 2023, the accounting team is comfortable if an additional \$700,000 is invested in GIC's so that additional interest can be earned on Offsite Child Care and Britannia Child care reserves

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF \$700,000 FROM ITS VANCITY OPERATING ACCOUNT INTO GIC INVESTMENTS AT VANCITY**

MOVED BY John Flipse

SECONDED BY Suzanne Dahlin

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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## 5. PARTNERS' REPORTS

- a. Vancouver Park Board (P. Odynsky)
  - Recreation Board Report provided on pages 13-15
- b. Vancouver Public Library (R. Gatley)
  - The Summer Reading Club will be starting soon and the theme is "Hot Book Summer"
  - There will also be an inclusion for adults to participate
  - Concerns about anti-LGBTIQA+ will be addressed as inappropriate messages found in books
  - Library's Indigenous programming will be expanding
- c. Vancouver School Board
  - No representative present

## 6. IN CAMERA

### MOTION TO GO IN CAMERA AT 8:13

MOVED BY Naina Varshney  
SECONDED BY Pamela Dundas

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### MOTION TO RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 8:55

MOVED BY Naina Varshney  
SECONDED BY Nicki Simpson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 7. OLD BUSINESS

- Items under Old Business will be **TABLED** to the next meeting.

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## 8. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

- Items under Administration Reports will be **TABLED** to the next meeting.

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## 9. CONSENT ITEMS

### MOTION TO ACCEPT CONSENT ITEMS AS PRESENTED

MOVED BY Naina Varshney  
SECONDED BY Craig Ollenberger

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 10. MEETING ADJOURNMENT AT 9:12PM