

**Britannia Board Meeting
April 12, 2017**

Board Room – Information Centre

PRESENT: Gwen Giesbrecht, Craig Ollenberger, John Flipse, Ingrid Kolsteren, Ye Chu, Freya Kristensen, Aaron Giesbrecht, Brendan Boylan, Megan Langley, Stuart MacKinnon
STAFF: Cynthia Low, Jeremy Shier, Peter Odysnky, Rachel Day, Kathy Whittam
GUEST: Cindy Connor
REGRETS: Susanne Dahlin, Tyrus Tracey, Levi Higgs, Sarah Ng

Board meeting called to order by Gwen Giesbrecht at 6:07pm

1. Approval of Agenda

Add items under New Business 3 c) Credit Card Management, and d) International Women's Day petition
Defer item e) under Old Business and add g) Special Meeting of the Foundation

MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA AS AMENDED

John Flipse/Craig Ollenberger

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES AS PRESENTED

Freya Kristensen/Aaron Giesbrecht

CARRIED

3. New Business

a) Community Engagement Plan

Request or funding to be reviewed by Finance Committee and move forward if there is funding available.

MOTION THAT THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT DEDICATE \$12,000 TOWARDS THE 2017 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

Scott Clark/Ingrid Kolsteren

CARRIED

b) Committee Mandates

MOTION TO APPROVE THE VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE MANDATE AND THE YOUTH MATTER COMMITTEE MANDATE

Craig Ollenberger/ Aaron Giesbrecht

CARRIED

c) Credit Card Management

Desjardin require that a specific individual be identified, not just "Manager of Administrative Services"

Treasurer of the Board is also authorized to be an administrator
If Jeremy leaves, still have the means to deal with credit cards

This will allow Jeremy to process requests for credit cards for staff as needed
We already have a credit card policy for how and when cards are used

MOTION TO APPROVE CHANGES TO CREDIT CARD MANAGEMENT POLICY AS PRESENTED

Craig Ollenberger/Ingrid Kolsteren

CARRIED

d) International Women's Day petition

- Information shared by Brendan Boylan
- Launched a petition to make International Women's Day a national stat holiday
- Will bring further info for next Board meeting

4. Old Business

a) Tri Party Agreement

The management team has developed a transition plan for the change over. This includes communications with the community.

b) Britannia Renewal

- Launch of Speaker Series with focus on Reconciliation, event had approx. 80 attendees
- Feedback was that people want more authentic engagement and opportunities to speak
- Next in the series is April 20 hosted in the Britannia Library, focus on Learning & Community Growth, with speaker **Asa Kachan**, Chief Librarian and CEO Halifax Public Library
- May 4 event to be held in the Carving Pavilion with focus on Community Resilience and Design

c) All Candidates Forum

- Event to be held May 1st at 6:30pm, timed to start after May Day march ends
- Begins with community meal and social time
- Candidates invited from Vancouver Mt Pleasant and Vancouver Hastings ridings
- World Café model instead of conventional talking head forum
- Ideologically round tables with moderators at each table
- Emcee for evening will be Craig Ollenberger
- Co-sponsored by VPL, ALIVE, Reach Health Clinic, Kettle Friendship Society, Aboriginal Friendship Centre, Grandview Woodlands Area Council
- Volunteers and food provided from each sponsoring group
- Family friendly with activities to encourage a culture of voting

d) Acknowledgement Policy

- Policy p. 28
- Amendment to remove "traditional" from Intention and acknowledgement phrasing
- Amendment to change the word "Only" to "Ideally" under Formal Welcomes
- Amend phrasing of acknowledgement to read
"We would like to acknowledge that we are on the unceded territories of the Coast Salish Nation, the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh"

- Amend to Occasions from “Britannia AGM” to “All Britannia meetings open to the public” (ie Board and committee meetings) to make it part of our culture

MOTION TO APPROVE THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT POLICY AS AMENDED

Brendan Boylan/Scott Clark

CARRIED

- f) Place Based Collective Impacts
 - Report will be sent out prior to next meeting, and Erin will present at next meeting
 - List of actions include 9 points that focus on expanding how we do our work
- g) Special Meeting of the Foundation

MOTION TO RESCHEDULE THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE FOUNDATION TO MAY 10

Aaron Giesbrecht/Freya Kristensen

CARRIED

5. No Correspondence

6. Partners Reports

Vancouver Park Board

Verbal report provided by **Stuart MacKinnon**

- Aboriginal Day Live, at John Hendry Park, Wed Jun 21 from 9am to 10pm
- Joint Operating Agreements approved with amendments
- Recreational fees for Pre-schoolers and Families study
- Strathcona/Inner City Strategy, concern for burnout of staff applying for grants
- Banning the importation and display of Cetaceans in Vancouver parks
- Endorsed Vancouver’s Living Wage Certification
- Endorsed the Youth Matters Pledge of Support and Guiding Principles of Youth Matters Community Accountability

Partners Reports

- The opening of the néca?mat ct Strathcona library branch is April 19
- Name means “We are one” in Musqueam and first public building with an aboriginal name
- Will have a Creation Space similar to the Inspiration Lab at Central Branch
- Deconstruction and renovations have begun on 8th/9th floor of Central branch which will feature accessible roof top garden and a quiet reading lounge

7. Board Check In

- Scott mentioned the work of the Metro Vancouver Alliance
- Held a forum with discussion on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission 94 calls to action
- Many eyes on Reconciliation work happening in East Van
- Focus on the 6 neighbourhoods of the inner City of Vancouver Britannia should consider joining MVA
- Scott will bring more info to next meeting

8. Administration Reports

Executive Director – p. 37

Manager of Administration – p. 38-39

Manager of Child Care – p.40

9. Committee Reports

MOTION TO RECEIVE ALL REPORTS AS PRESENTED

John Flipse/Freya Kristensen

CARRIED

Cynthia acknowledged the hard work and difficult timing for Jeremy and Peter during the transition stage of facility maintenance. Rachel also stepped in to help where she could. Thank you to the Management team.

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:35PM

Aaron Giesbrecht/John Flipse

CARRIED

Executive Committee

In-Camera