

**Britannia Board Meeting
December 12, 2018**

Board Room – Information Centre

PRESENT: Ingrid Kolsteren, Freya Kristensen, Annie Danilko, John Flipse, Susanne Dahlin, Pamela Dudas, Craig Ollenberger, Andrew Phillips, Ron Scott, Vera Jones
STAFF: Cynthia Low, Peter Odynsky, Jeremy Shier, Victoria Haenel, Rachel Day
REGRETS: Naina Varshney, Megan Langley, Andrew Phillips, Juan Carlos Maldonado
GUESTS: Brenda Lorenz

Board meeting called to order at 6:12pm

1. Approval of Agenda of December 12, 2018.

**MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA as amended
John Flipse/Craig Ollenberger**

CARRIED

Add Vancouver Park Board Fee increase to New Business

2. Approval of Minutes of November 14, 2018

**MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES AS PRESENTED
John Flipse/Annie Danilko**

CARRIED

3. Board Business

Appointment of new Board member – Freya
2 people are interested and being nominated by current board members
Will invite them to the January Board meeting

Pamela:

Li-Mei Yip - Graduate of Britannia High School

- Is the foundation of the volunteer committee and has volunteered for 10 years
- Considers Britannia community her family
- Currently in nursing school

Annie:

Terry McNeney

- Past president of REACH (for 6yrs)
- Retired from VSB 9 years ago, working with kids with disabilities
- Very active in our community
- Terry and her husband are active SEA Committee members

4. Old Business

2019 Priorities

Briefing Note and Summary Report provided at meeting

MOTION THAT THE BOARD APPROVE IN PRINCIPLE THE 2019 PRIORITIES AS SET OUT IN THE DRAFT DOCUMENT.

THAT THE MANAGEMENT TEAM CONSULT WITH STAFF AND COMMITTEES TO AFFIRM THESE PRIORITIES FOR FINAL APPROVAL BY THE BOARD AT THE FEBRUARY 2019 BOARD MEETING

THAT THE MANAGEMENT TEAM CONSULT WITH THE FINANCE COMMITTEE TO SEEK A RECOMMENDATION TO DEDICATE UP TO \$38,000 FROM THE BRITANNIA DISCRETIONARY RESERVE TOWARDS DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING THE 2019 PRIORITIES.

Annie Danilko/Susanne Dahlin

CARRIED

1739 Venables

- Jeremy provided a cost analysis to the Finance Committee
- The Finance Committee decided the project was worth continued support
- Britannia is going to pursue using the space at least until June 2019
- Will use resources to find another pop-up location so programming can continue
- Kickstand would effectively cease to exist without a programming space supported by Britannia

Renewal

- Renewal Committee is meeting again, a Housing Working Group was created to plan engagement
- Needed to go back to Housing principles and define the principles in greater detail, more clearly i.e. model, density, who it will serve, ownership, access to space, community interface, amenity, needs, etc.
- Need to do further outreach – how to engage and inform the community
- Lindsay Grant is working on the Terms of Reference for the sub-committee
- Getting support for the COV rezoning permit application
- Will invite a guest to speak to the Board, what rezoning permit means, what the application entails, clear definitions (i.e. midrise vs tower)
- The rezoning permit is one of the most crucial pieces to the Britannia renewal process and must be done correctly
- Appreciation from the Board to the Committee members who attend the Planning & Development Committee; Levi, Andrew, Annie, Pamela, Susanne and Naina

Fee Increase – Briefing note provided at meeting

MOTION THAT BRITANNIA APPROVES THE 2019 CHARGES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE PARK BOARD AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CHANGES WHILE CONTINUING WITH OUR UNIQUE ADMISSION CRITERIA FOR CHILDREN (6-13) AND SENIORS (55+).

THAT THE BOARD, ASK THE POOL AND FITNESS COMMITTEE TO REVIEW CHANGING THE BRITANNIA DEFINITION OF PRESCHOOL TO ALIGN WITH THE PARK BOARD AND RECOMMEND ACCORDINGLY

THESE PRICE CHANGES ARE TO BE IMPLEMENTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT WE MAY PROVIDE REASONABLE NOTICE TO OUR PATRONS.

Craig Ollenberger/John Flipse

CARRIED

5. New Business

2019 Budget

MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2019 BUDGET AS SUBMITTED TO THE FINANCE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON NOVEMBER 23 2018

John Flipse/Annie Danilko

CARRIED

Abstained: Very Jones

Jeremy to provide a finance workshop to the Board members in February 2019

Warming Centre

- Opened Mon-Thu Dec 3rd-6th
- Closed over the weekend of the 7th due to previous rental commitment
- COV is supporting the Warming Centre and Britannia will be reimbursed for costs
- 2017-18 opened for 38 nights (compared to 22 nights that other centres were open)
- Have asked staff to consider opening 23, 24, 25 as other services are reduced and/or closed for the holidays, ability to open will depend on staff availability

Our Place

- Model of multi-organizational collaboration such as the VSB (Vancouver School Board), VPL (Vancouver Public Library), VPB (Vancouver Park Board), VPD (Vancouver Police Department, VCH (Vancouver Coastal Health)
- Collaboration through Youth Matters process
- Need a new governance model and will be presenting to the Board in January 2019
- Scott will be attending both Federal and Provincial meetings to work on a national model

6. Guest Speaker – Brenda Lorenz

- Eastside Family Place (EFP) has been onsite since 2002 & in the community for 40 years
- Planning a carnival in the park in coordination with the Stone Soup Festival to acknowledge the impact EFP has in the community
- \$400,000 per year – they do a lot with a little
- Are part of the Family Resources Centre of BC with drop-in services for families that are accessible and flexible
- Statement of reconciliation – goal to incorporate understanding
- Indigenous staff member who works within the community garden and cooking local meals
- Also strives to create that and it is a shared understanding
- Hoping to create new partnerships and broaden the community, opportunities for families and children such as a meeting place for young moms, encourage community support and gain skills such as meal preparation for their family.
- Approximately 40-50 people per day come through EFP, with more during the summer hours due to students staffing supported by Federal grants
- Community cupboard – families can access items as needed such as food

7. Correspondence Report – none

8. Partners' Reports

VPB – Peter p.8-9

- New Mech Tech II Walter Ramos
- Thank you & goodbye to Nick Wong, Ice Man
- New Sport & Fitness Programmer – Fraser McElroy
- Thank you to Lori Moretto for coming out of retirement to fill the gap and transition for Fraser
- Thank You & Goodbye to Diana Guenther who had accepted a position at Mount Pleasant

VSB – Ron

- Secondary School Film Academy has been established and running well
- Very positive meetings with Jeremy, Peter and Cynthia re: communication and space use (collaborative & creative)
- Adopt a School initiative – Britannia had multiple offers to fund the project and have \$30,000, in part thanks to the article posted in the Vancouver Sun
- Student population is up by 60 students
- Gr 13 pilot project (life skills training)
- Street Front actively fundraising for their trip to New Zealand in Spring 2019

9. Administration Reports

Executive Director – p.14

- Focus & time spent preparation for Board Planning Day
- Met with VSB partners for better partnership
- Would like to bring the Strathcona Board to Britannia for a social event, January or February 2019, family oriented, on a weekend day

Manager of Administrative Services – p.15-19

- Overall revenues 3% higher than 2018 and right on budget
- Larger surplus at the moment but likely due to timing of invoices, expenses
- COV budget looking strong
- Focus was on approval of the 2019 Budget

Manager of Child Care Services – p.17

- Successfully recruited for the OSC PAIII position, Robert Lee
- Successfully recruited for the Child Activity Leader, Miles Belli-Singh
- Thank you to Jeremy for getting all of the gaming grants in by deadline

10. Board Check-in

11. Consent Items

Planning and Development Committee

MOTION TO APPOINT INDIVIDUALS TO THE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AS PRESENTED.

Pamela Dudas/Ingrid Kolsteren

CARRIED

Arts & Culture Committee

- Winter Solstice Coffee House event – Sunday December 16, free and open to everyone
- Successful craft fair, now a waitlist of interested vendors

RIA Committee

- Our Place Collective received \$320,000 from the Federal government to enhance Youth strategies within inner cities
- Scarves from the 55+ centre were graciously donated to the VSB hampers
- 60-80 Elders attended a Lunch & Learn session, some of the biggest issues are access to health care and housing

MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORTS AS PRESENTED

Craig Ollenberger/John Flipse

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Craig Ollenberger/John Flipse

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