

**Britannia Board Meeting
June 14, 2017**

Board Room – Information Centre

PRESENT: Gwen Giesbrecht, Ingrid Kolsteren, Annie Danilko, Vera Jones, Andrew Phillips, Pamela Dudas, Jaiden Simmons, John Flipse, Freya Kristensen, Stuart MacKinnon, Scott Clark, Craig Ollenberger
STAFF: Cynthia Low, Jeremy Shier, Rachel Day, Victoria Haenel
GUEST: Margaret Marquardt, Anna Bui – Metro Vancouver Alliance
REGRETS: Megan Langley, Levi Higgs, Brendan Boylan, Juan Carlo Maldonado, Peter Odynsky

Board meeting called to order by Gwen Giesbrecht at 6:08pm

Note: Welcome to the new Board members from the President, and welcome to guests Margaret Marquardt and Anna Bui of Metro Vancouver Alliance

1. Approval of Agenda

**MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED
Freya Kristensen/Scott Clark**

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

**MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES AS PRESENTED
Freya Kristensen/Scott Clark**

CARRIED

3. New Business

- a) Board Roles & Responsibilities
- b) Board Member Conduct & Ethics
- c) Meeting Procedures
- d) Board Committees

Items A-D were reviewed from the Board Manual via projector (all relevant documents emailed to Board members for reference).

Conflicts of Interest – potential perception of conflicts were shared

e) 2017 Priorities – reviewed Meeting brief from January 2017

f) Summer Plan:

Jeremy – Business Systems Review, tracking transition of pool/rink maintenance, hiring of Communications Assistant position

Cynthia – Community Engagement, renewal, LAP, subsidies

4. Guests – Metro Vancouver Alliance, Margaret Marquardt & Anna Bui

- **MVA** is a broad based alliance of community groups, labour, faith and educational institutions working together for the common good
- Attending Board meeting upon request of Scott Clark for Britannia Board to consider joining MVA
- MVA is based on a model of community organizing pioneered by the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF). Over 50 organizations are now in membership and the alliance continues to grow
- To become members, there are two types of meetings involved, the one-to-one relational meeting (board members participated in a sample of this activity during meeting) and a house meeting
- Anna is a student at UBC, values the MVA leadership development and MVA's commitment to fostering skills, capacity in volunteers through relationships and dignity. This fosters cooperation, respect and discussion away from politics
- Anna founded an organization providing tools and knowledge to be an informed voter
- Scott and Cynthia to research further details over the summer and present to the Board in September to help determine interest in joining MVA, expectations and formal process

5. Old Business

- a) Leisure Access Program Report - brief reviewed by Cynthia
- b) Pool & Rink Update:
 - May 8 2017 COV/BCCS took over Pool and Rink maintenance
 - All hiring completed, the Mech Tech II Jason Wu will start June 19
 - Chico will stay until end of August to complete transition
 - Transition expected to take 1+yr , to get pool & rink up to park board standards
 - Capital maintenance covered by REFM budget i.e. new compressors in the rink
 - Annual pool maintenance closure set for September as usual
 - Main goal is to ensure there are no gaps in service levels
 - Will track maintenance budget to ensure it stays on track and on a sustainable level long term

MOTION TO REDIRECT THE ISSUE OF PATRONS POURING WATER ON THE STEAMROOM DRY ROCKS; SAFETY CONCERNS FOR OTHER PATRONS AND SAFTEY OF STAFF TRYING TO IMPLEMENT THE RULES AS WELL AS FOR THE SYSTEM ITSELF BACK TO THE POOL & FITNESS CENTRE COMMITTEE.

Susanne Dahlin/Scott Clark

CARRIED

- c) Britannia Renewal
 - Very active community, with lots of events, presentations and focus groups
 - Hired consultants working hard
 - Had to lobby very hard to for plebiscite for Britannia Renewal funding and engage the buy-in of all partners (COV, VSB, VPP, VPL)
 - Consultants will come back in September after most of the events with results of the outreach community engagement
 - Attendance to events is dropping and COV looks at numbers to determine actual interest in the Renewal project – crucial that Board members attend meetings as possible so everyone strongly encouraged to do so, make your voices heard, represent your community

6. Partners Reports

VPB - Verbal report provided by **Stuart MacKinnon** (reports emailed June 15)

VPL – p.9-11

VSB – No report, no representation at meeting – if not feasible for the principal to attend regularly, perhaps an alternate VSB rep

7. Administration Reports

Executive Director – p.12

- Site wide staff social – June 20 11:30am-3:00pm
- VSB has intentions to make Gym C more accessible to community

Manager of Administration – p.13-14

- Centre operations surplus is lower than usual, mostly due to timing (i.e. when grants are rec'd versus when funds for programs are used) so not concerning
- Preschool playground under works – the main structure is complete
- HR – Jason Wu has been hired in the Mech Tech II position and Deanna Gunther has been hired in the Youth Worker positions. Emma who has had a great impact on the youth at Brit will be taking the Youth Worker position at Hastings CC

Manager of Child Care Services – p.15

- Busy month of May
- Small fire on the roof at Grandview due to roofing work, no danger to kids or staff
- Staff followed emergency procedures incredibly well during the shooting event in Mt. Pleasant. The event itself was 2 blocks away but they could hear it.
- Attended the Brad Marsden workshop and found it impactful
- Need a board member for the Child Care committee, meetings usually every 2-3months

MOTION TO RECEIVE REPORTS

John Flipse/Susanne Dahlin

CARRIED

8. Board Check In

9. Committee Reports & Consent Agenda

- Youth Matters report out on June 16 at the Ukranian Hall 11am-3pm plus a RIA event at Ray-Cam from 3-6pm
- Board Task List – briefing on nomination/appointment of Britannia Foundation members moved to September's meeting

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 9:20pm

John Flipse/Susanne Dahlin

CARRIED

Executive Committee

In-Camera