

**Britannia Board Meeting
May 8, 2019**

Board Room – Information Centre

PRESENT: Scott Clark, Ingrid Kolsteren, John Flipse, Annie Danilko, Freya Kristensen, Susanne Dahlin, Pamela Dudas, Juan Carlos Maldonado, Craig Ollenberger, Naina Varshney, Li Mei Yip, Jane Stanier
STAFF: Cynthia Low, Jeremy Shier, Peter Odynsky, Kathy Whittam
GUESTS: Teka Everstz, Amelia Gubana
REGRETS: Alec MacInnes, Megan Langley, Carmen Cho, Levi Higgs, Andrew Phillips, Vera Jones, Stuart MacKinnon, Rachel Day

Board meeting called to order at 6:12pm

Introductions and Acknowledgment

We would like to acknowledge that we are on the unceded territories of the Coast Salish Nation, the x^wməθk^wəy^əm (Musqueam), sk^wx^wú7mesh (Squamish) and selílwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh).

Welcome to our guests:

Teka Everstz – the new Pow Wow Coordinator

Amelia Gubana – active volunteer at Britannia with SEA committee and in the 55+ Centre, interested in running for the Board

2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA

John Flipse/ Pamela Dudas

CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes of April 10, 2019

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Pamela Dudas/ Ingrid Kolsteren

CARRIED

4. New Business

2018 Audited Financial Statements, p.20-39

- Two weeks ago Jeremy and Auditors presented the 2018 Audited Financial statements to the Finance Committee. Now needs approval from the Board
- Revenues increased by 2% over previous year
- Contributions from COV went down with maintenance fees reduced. Balanced out with Rink & Pool revenues which were up significantly
- More staff for new programs, plus negotiated wage increases, led to increase in staff wages and benefits Grant driven revenue for programs such as Weaving Our Community Together and the Thingery
- Decrease in reserve, the largest was move to Foundation
- Discretionary Reserve in a \$14,000 deficit

- Rink rentals maxed to increase revenue, also no revenue loss due to closure not happening last fall
- Upcoming rink closure until October will impact our City budget next year
- Started year strong and reduced maintenance budget
- Cash and short term investments instead of 'restricted'
- Significant reduction of cash, half from money to Foundation
- Accounts payable reduced after working through outstanding invoices with VSB
- Future benefits – timebanks etc
- No purchase of new capital assets
- Child care increase due to surplus and benefits and salary
- Net assets down to 837,876
- Reminder of Finance workshop on June 5th.

ACTION – Make sure Committees have been invited to the Finance workshop

MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT AS PRESENTED

John Flipse/ Annie Danilko

CARRIED

5. Old Business

Britannia Renewal (Susanne Dahlin)

- Good meeting with City one and half weeks ago
- Concerns about Renewal on the table
- Need these addressed before moving forward
- They're dealing with issues with VSB level
- Concerns around social hub, such as space it takes, vying for power with other organizations
- Meeting with Board, Planning & Development Committee and community, June 18th
- Social Hub presentation, details to come
- Other concerns around Housing, such as what does it look like, who will run it?
- Recognize that City Housing staff need to be at our meetings for answers
- Housing needs to be funded by agency running it, what does that look like?
- Haven't started rezoning process yet
- Next meeting with City is May 23rd

ACTION – give your questions for Renewal to Cynthia or Susanne before May 23rd meeting

2018 Priorities Update (Cynthia Low)

- Renewal not done looking at models for operating agreements
- Engagement – responded to community
- Joined DTES CRN response team
- Jeremy and team done the business system review tasks
- LAP subsidy level has been increased. We process about 90% of LAP processing for all of City
- Deepening work with partnerships
- Shown progress with schools
- Met goal of 6 events. Not implemented Reconciliation within departments. Concepts harder to think of, will dig deeper to work on

- Committees and staff very engaged
- Board Development worked hard on by law changes, etc
- Partnerships for grants and services., such as Hip Hop Drop in, that don't always reflect on Financials, but if we're doing work and admin support need to be noted
- Creating new governance models on sharing resources

Strategic Plan (Annie Danilko)

- Draft of the plan will be at AGM showing broad direction and process
- What is the pathway to the things we commit to?
- Full package, deepening ideas, work through committees
- What does the Board need to do to make it work?

AGM (Annie Danilko)

- Vera Jones will be doing the opening welcome to the meeting
- Strategic plan summary will be shared
- 8 positions to fill

6. Correspondence Report – circulated during the break, before In Camera

7. Partners' Reports

VPB – Peter Odynsky, p.40-44

- Gratitude to Erica Mark for all her hard work filling in while Peter was away
- She had a good time here and learned a lot
- Rink closure will be May 21 through to October. Some programs still able to run as Susy found ice time at other rinks to rent for them
- Pool closure a few weeks starting in June
- Movie showing of "Edge of the Knife" was well attended
- Carving projects have begun in \$xwqwelewøn, with 3 carvers working on VSB Legacies program
- Girls Who Leap program has 60 girls signed up for May 20 community give back event
- Summer Unlimited has been cut from City budget so Tom is working hard to find placements for youth who usually sign up with us

ACTION – Peter will follow up with more info when he finds out why the program was cut
- Peter will look into Funseekers camp before and after care

VPL – p.45-49

- Now taking registration for the Connections to Kith and Kin. Second session to begin May 22nd after very successful first run that helped 17 people connect with information regarding their family.

VSB

- Update that Trustees voted not to put school closures to a vote in the near future.

8. Administration Reports

Executive Director – Cynthia Low, p.50

- Erica was a big help facilitating the Pow Wow with Trout Lake
- Working on possibilities to replace 1739 location
- Relief that Kickstand has found a new space

ACTION – Reminder that Board members are need to present scholarships at Grad ceremonies, and let Cynthia know asap

Manager of Administrative Services – Jeremy Shier, p.51-52

- Finished first quarter of 2019 year
- Warming Centre open a long time this season, waiting on reimbursement from the City for expenses
- We're in a good financial position at this time
- Recreation fee for services, timing of when money comes in that influences when reimbursed for these
- Showing a deficit but receiving money to back up again

Manager of Child Care Services – p.53

- Rachel has done a great job bringing all the child cares in line
- Now entering wage enhancements she needs to go through every 2 weeks to balance ECE staff
- A few incidents recently to deal with
- Complicated operation with 4 organizations that she is managing well

9. Board Check-in

- Cynthia and Board Development will review if Staff Representative can have a vote at Board meetings
- Jeremy will look into landscaping water needs for areas not tended to by VSB staff and Greenway volunteers
- Cynthia will look into what's happening with benches at Grandview Park
- Grandview Woodland is only neighbourhood with waterfront that has no access to waterfront due to Ports
- Li Mei reminded of June 9 World Ocean Day shoreline cleanup day at Crab Park
- Many thanks to Annie for all of her time, positive energy and commitment while on the Board!

10. Consent Items

b) Finance Committee – Jeremy p.57-84

- Briefing note shared on Britannia GIC's

MOTION TO MOVE BRITANNIA SOCIETY GIC'S, AS THEY COME DUE, TO THE BRITANNIA FOUNDATION, UNTIL THE AMOUNT HELD IN GIC'S EQUALS THE AMOUNT OWED TO THE OFFSITE CHILD CARE CENTRES. ONCE THE GIC'S ARE DRAWN DOWN, THEY SHOULD BE MONITORED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, AND

MINUTES – BOARD



THROUGH PURCHASE AND SALE OF GIC'S, MAINTAIN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO WHAT IS OWED TO THE CHILD CARE CENTRES.

Naina Vashney/ Craig Ollenberger

CARRIED

c) Arts and Culture Committee – Ingrid p.85-86

MOTION TO APPROVE \$500 FOR CARVING PROJECT WORKING WITH KING GEORGE SECONDARY SCHOOL FROM THE ŠX^wQ^wELƏWƏN FUND.

Craig Ollenberger/ Naina Vashney

CARRIED

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Annie Danilko/ Naina Vashney

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AJOURNED at 7:45pm

In camera