

West Point Grey Community Association
Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 10th, 2007

Present: Chair Ian Clements, James Gill, Richard Strachan, Andree Karas, John Mills, Olga Turok, Suzanne Starr, Commissioner Korina Houghton, CRC Hanna Maron,

- Recording Secretary Tanya Donaldson

Regrets: Andrea Maitland, Ruth Kendall, Christina Fodor, Jemilia O'Brien, Allen Sabet, Hande Ersoy,

The meeting was called to order at 7:15pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

JAC was moved up the agenda.

1.1. James Gill (Ruth Kendall) **Motion** that the agenda be accepted as circulated.

- Carried

2. Approval of Minutes

2.1. James Gill (Andree Karas) **Motion** that the association approves the December 4th, 2006 board meeting minutes as amended.

- Carried

3. Correspondence

3.1. A letter from Park Board regarding Volunteer of the Year. This will be dealt with at the March meeting. A copy of the letter will be circulated with the minutes of this meeting.

3.2. Thank you card from Brock House Big Band. We also sent a thank you to them.

3.3. Letter from the City regarding a meeting, January 18th, to look at the liquor retail policy

4. Committee Business

4.1. Youth Committee – no report.

4.2. Finance, Budget and Audit Committee

4.2.1. The November statements were circulated. There has been a much more rigorous allocation based on program area. This better reflects the areas established. Preschool programs and sports programs are doing well. The rental revenue is down, but the WPG Academy made their fall payment in December instead of November. Our revenue is approximately \$13,000 ahead of last year.

The expenses are also being better allocated. Expenses are a bit ahead of last year, but that is largely a reflection of the increased revenue. In comparing rental expenses to last year, they are higher, but we were not accruing the BCBC payments last fall.

Audit - There will be a meeting on January 24th with the executive and the auditor. We will have a brief board meeting prior to the AGM on Feb 7th to approve the financial statements for presentation.

4.3. Executive Meeting

4.3.1. AGM – We are holding a workshop for interested board members and current board members on Jan 17th. The executive will be meeting on January 24th. Nominations close January 31st. Please submit your form to the office.

We have now set alternating terms on the board. Half the board was elected for 2 years last February, and then the other half were elected for 1 year. These members are eligible for re-election. There are at least 7 of the 9 positions available. The new executive will be elected at a board meeting on February 14th.

4.3.2. JOA – The executive is recommending that this association hold off on entering negotiations until a few more of the agreements have been settled. We also feel that there may be some implications with respect to the building project.

4.3.3. All board members were reminded to get involved in our committees in the coming year. It is important for the association's business.

4.3.4. BCRPA Conference – The conference will be held June 6th at Sun Peaks.

4.4. Operations Policy and Planning Committee

4.4.1. The fall programs were successful, and winter seems to be following this trend. The fitness committee has been working on active community strategies.

4.5. Facilities Policy and Planning Committee

4.5.1. The committee did not meet. Overall we have weathered the storms fairly well.

4.6. Fundraising Committee

4.6.1. We have received \$7,000 from the F.K. Morrow Foundation. James will be sending off a few more foundation grants in the next month. There will also be another push in the spring.

- 4.6.2. James may be leaving the Board in the spring due to work commitments. In the interim he will be working with Volunteer Vancouver board match to try and identify someone that could replace him on the fundraising committee.
 - 4.7. Ad Hoc Committee on Income Assessment
 - 4.7.1. John has signed the contract with Typlan Consulting. It was amended to January 30th as the draft report date. There will be a presentation to the new board in March. They have been working with staff to gather information.
 - 4.8. Jericho Arts Centre – no report.
5. Staff Report
 - 5.1. Park Board Commissioner Report – The Vancouver Aquarium proposal was approved. They still need to come back with their funding information. Stanley Park has taken a lot of time. The park is closed at present. Unfortunately a woman was hit by a tree in yesterday's storm. The cost is going to be huge, but a figure is not known at present. Van Dusen was hit badly in the first storm. It did affect the Festival of Lights. The planning committee has been dealing with skate boarding. They are recommending that the park at China Creek stay. There is positive support for all the skate boarding activities. The committee is also dealing with the Mt. Pleasant outdoor pool. Ian Robertson is the new chair, and Korina is the vice-chair. Marty Zlotnik is chair of the Finance Committee and Heather Holden is the chair of the Planning Committee
 - 5.2. CRC Report
 - 5.2.1. AGM Reports – Committee chairs were reminded to submit their reports to May by January 19th.
 - 5.2.2. Police Checks – The OPP committee will be reviewing our policies and compare them to the new Park Board policy.
 - 5.2.3. HRDC Grants (Summer Camp Grant) – This funding will be cut for the coming year. There may be a lobbying effort, but may not be successful. We may want to contact Heddy Fry's office and see how to approach this. We may also want to contact Libby Davies. A media strategy may be the best, particularly using post secondary institutions.
 - 5.2.4. Olympic Meeting Update – There was a meeting yesterday with staff, Susan Mundick and VANOC representatives. There was a similar meeting held with the Association Presidents' last week. There was a lot of brainstorming around activities centres and associations can do. There is a wide variety of opportunities. The executive will likely bring a motion to the next meeting to strike an ad hoc committee to look at these opportunities.
6. Other Business – None.
7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm by James Gill. Next meeting will be at 6:30pm on February 7th, followed by the AGM at 7pm.

