



## Minutes January 13, 2020 meeting

**Attendees:** Mireille Brownhill, Gary Bradshaw, Garth Williams, Toby Bossert, Louise McLaren, Miranda Gray

**Regrets:** Ben Gorley

### 1. Welcome

### 2. Approval of / modifications to Agenda

- Add development under New Business
- Add volunteer duty allocation under New Business

**Motion:** To adopt agenda as amended.

Moved: Gary. Seconded: Toby. **Carried.**

### 3. Approval of minutes

We postponed the approval of minutes from December 9, 2019.

### 4. Financials

The board discussed the draft budget. The budget includes plans for yoga next summer. The Councillor is planning a bike rodeo so we will not be holding one. The rink team asks us to consider purchasing a roller. We typically rent one at \$15/day but they cost about \$150. The board agreed that the rink team should investigate and come back with a cost but yes there is room in the budget to make such a purchase. The rink team would also like to know about getting a portable trailer next year. They cost about \$1,000 per month when arranged through the councillor. The board had questions about the impact on the organization if we had to hire staff to supervise the trailer and the impact to our insurance if we have staff. Other ideas included more signage for events or small branded giveaways.

**Motion:** That Toby have authority to spent up to \$150 for the winter carnival.

Moved: Miranda. Seconded: Louise. **Carried.**

Discussion on snowblower: We spent about \$1,500 on a snowblower. At about an 8yr lifespan, we should budget \$200 per year.

**Motion:** To start a reserve fund for the future replacement of the snowblower and fund it with \$400 this year.

Moved: Gary. Seconded: Garth. **Carried.**

Discussion on summer 2020 events. We can afford to have more yoga slot or adjust the payment. Mireille suggested the payment was about right. We need to provide some funding for the carnival knowing the sponsor has moved location. It was also suggested that we rent a portal sign for the week before the BBQ.

**Motion:** To set aside \$480 for 8 evenings of yoga in summer 2020.

Moved: Miranda. Seconded: Gary. **Carried.**

**Motion:** To set aside \$500 for the BBQ event and \$150 for BBQ sign rental. Moved: Miranda. Seconded: Mireille. **Carried.**

Discussion on winter carnival 2020: We considered two approaches, sponsored and unsponsored. Both the plans had a total cost of under \$100. Taffy alone was about \$150 several years ago. We asked Toby to order around 100 taffy for the event. We also discussed adding a minor hockey team to the start of the carnival. After this discussion, we realized the earlier motion for funding was not enough.

**Motion:** To revise the amount of funding for the winter carnival to up to \$400.

Moved: Miranda. Seconded: Garth. **Carried.**

Other event: We have a possibility for a Chris Neill event at the rink. The idea is a full moon skate in early February subject to ice and his availability.

**Motion:** to provide up to \$100 for the Chris Neill skate event.

Moved: Miranda. Seconded: Gary. **Carried.**

Other things we might want to spend money on promotional giveaways, T-shirts, tent, roller, sign rental for more events.

The revised budget is to come back to February meeting.

## 5. **Events**

### a) **Winter Carnival**

The board briefly brainstormed possible events for the day: sleigh rides, tug of war, snow bowling, tic tac toe, ski races, minor hockey game.

#### **Actions:**

**Gary** to reach to minor hockey teams

**Mireille** to reach out to cadets and rent park

**Garth** to reach out to SHE to see if they would groom a track at rink

**Toby** to order taffy and hot chocolate supplies, to invite the councillor  
**All** to arrive by 10 to assist with the event

#### **b) Volunteer Appreciation in April**

Mireille mentioned Councillor Luloff is planning an event and will likely want our recommendations for volunteers to recognize. More information to come.

#### **c) Yoga**

Mireille will set up for Wednesdays in the summer.

### **6. President's Update**

a) Mireille gave us an update on the December President's council. She will circulate the minutes to all. The focus was OCTranspo changes in September. The councillor said more buses will be added here in the east. Snow removal changes are coming this winter as well (see Mireille's posts in the FB group). The councillor has new staff to assist in taking calls. The group met our new community police officer: Cst. Marc Leroux. (Mireille to contact him to invite him to the winter carnival.)

b) She is still working with the councillor to arrange a second Phase 2 LRT information session. Several dates have been proposed but not yet finalized.

### **7. FCA**

Miranda mentioned the next meeting in on January 22nd and the topic is affordable housing. The December topic was community health centres.

### **8. Rink Update**

The payment has come in. The city has put in extra bench as requested. The garbage bin has been moved to better location. The bunker now has a first aid kit as required. We have a good group of volunteers.

### **9. Website**

We now have sponsorship logos to add to our main page. Miranda will update the webpage and Mireille will announce in the FB group. Louise will be trained on how to upload minutes and will take on this important task.

### **10. New Business**

**a) Development:** Miranda noted that she had received preliminary notification that additional low-rise development will be coming to Rocque St. More information to come when the developer submits an official plan.

**b) Volunteer roles:** The board had a general discussion on how to recognize the gifts of time given by all volunteers. There was general discussion about how people are assigned, what advantages a title has to a volunteer and what roles we need to recruit for the next board at Sept 2020 AGM.

**11. Motion to adjourn. Carried.**

**Next meeting:**

February 10, 2020 (staff lounge - basement)