

# **Meeting of the FGCA Board of Directors**

## **Minutes for June 5, 2017**

Fairfield Community Place, 1330 Fairfield Rd.

### **Community Voices**

No "Community Voices" this month

### **Welcome & Call to Order**

Don welcomed all and called the meeting to order at 7pm. Don welcomed guest observer Shirley and prospective board member David Thompson who would then sit with the Board and interact.

### **Land Acknowledgement**

Alice gave the land acknowledgement.

### **Agenda Review and Approval**

Moved by Forrest and seconded by Philip that the agenda be approved. Carried.

**In Attendance:** Don Monsour, Heather Murphy, Anne Tomy, David Biltek, Paul Brown, Alice Albert, Andy Brownwright, Forrest Smith, Philip Sawkins, Scott Davis

**Regrets:** Brett Duncan, Jason Taylor, George Zador, Andrei Whitaker, Lynn Beak.

### **Establish Quorum**

Quorum of 10 established

### **Adopt Minutes of May 1, 2017**

Moved by Forrest and seconded by Alice that the minutes of May 1, 2017 be adopted. Carried

### **Recap of Action Items from last board meeting**

One item re: Trudy Brown actioned by Vanya. A second item re: support letter of Councillor Liaison continued support by City Council was actioned by Don at meeting of VCAN.

### **Councillor Liaison's Q&A**

Councillor Geoff Young, standing in for Councillor Coleman reported that Council placed strong emphasis on the Local Area Plans and would be fast-tracking them from the draft reports.

### **Executive Director' Q&A**

Kristina reported on changes in office staffing and the need to hire a day care manager. Also, there would be no rental increases in the immediate year from School District 61. Vanya reported on the May 28 community dinner for Aboriginal Awareness Week and highlighted two calls to action from the speakers: one to support the City's Indigenous Artist in Residence, and the other to consider changing the name of Trutch St. because of the record of its namesake on treatment of First Peoples. First Nation's Walk is fully booked but there are three slots open for Board members on first-come basis.

## **Committee Reports & Special Projects**

Secretary position vacated by Brett Duncan. Andy offered to stand for the position until AGM. Call for other nominees was negative. Moved by Forrest and seconded by Philip that Andy be elected. Carried

### **Executive**

Next meeting June 29 and will include an H.R. Committee meeting.

### **Place**

Report posted on portal. New Margaret Jenkins project will not happen this year. As a result the proposed day care program with 16 places will be implemented in the Portable building at "the Place." Upgrades to the Portable building will be required.

### **Finance**

No outstanding bills. Finances current. Philip requested a half-hour block of time at next board meeting to discuss and approve the 2017/2018 fiscal year budget, including:

\*this year's likely actuals to next year's budget

\*new salary schedules

\*new portable budget

Don offered the possibility of starting at 6:30 if no Community Voices.

### **Governance**

Moved by Forrest and seconded by David that the Board Conflict of Interest Policy as circulated be adopted. Carried with amendments to 1h) add "or the Association's membership" and 2a) add (s) to Executive Director.

After much discussion decision was made to table the Purpose Statement for more clarification.

### **CALUC**

David suggested the need for a program or policy that would assist those displaced by developments and especially those with low incomes and /or disabilities that have difficulty finding rentals within their means. He cited Collinson, Beacon Arms, Oliphant and new development in the offing at Vancouver/Mearns. Three new CALUC members are David Barlow, David Wells and Megan Perry

### **Human Resources**

Paul will discuss performance reviews at next Executive Committee.

### **Fund Development/Community Engagement**

There was general discussion of engaging local businesses by having special memberships with benefits to FGCA members. Also floated was a n annual FGCA membership fee to offset costs associated with managing member lists and contacting/servicing etc.

### **Streetlife**

Heather reported Street Life meeting held in May. Elaine Weidner had helped organize a successful Community Yard Sale and Recycling event. Emergency Preparedness workshop June 17 in Garry Oak room. Urban Forest plans continue.

### **Community Garden**

The committee held productive work bee/tidy up. Pergola completed and shed installed.

### **VCAN**

Moved by Forrest and seconded by Philip "That the Fairfield Gonzales Community Association endorse and be listed as one of the Victoria Community Association Network(VCAN) community associations endorsing a letter to the Council of the City of Victoria asking that the Mayor and Council NOT halt the longstanding practice of having a designate councillor attend meetings of our Association." Carried.

### **Strategic Planning**

The Board voted on 3 choices for the wording of the Mission Statement as circulated. Choice 1 won out with wording changed to "To create a connected, collaborative, inclusive, and sustainable community.

### **Motion to Accept all Committee Reports**

Moved by Philip and seconded by David that all committee reports be accepted. Carried.

### **Old Business**

Heather reported that City Hall 101 was alive and well as a work in progress.

### **New Business**

The Moss Street Market continues to "bustle on" with no change foreseen for the immediate future. They are still potentially moving to Vic West. David suggested a "charm offensive to cement relationships."

### **Approval of new members**

List of new members was amended to remove one ineligible name and to add one more name. Moved by Forrest and seconded by Philip that the amended list be accepted. Carried

### **Summary of Action Items from this Meeting**

Moved by Paul and seconded by Philip that David be elected as the new board member to fill the vacancy created by Jason Taylor's resignation.

Board members are to advise Vanya of their intentions to serve out terms on the next year's board within two weeks from June 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Announcements**

**Next Board Meeting: July 10th**

**Next Executive Meeting: June 29, 11:30am**

### **Adjournment**

Moved by Anne and seconded by Heather that the meeting be adjourned. Carried