

FGCA Board Meeting

**MINUTES**

January 8, 2024

Fairfield Community Place

1330 Fairfield Road

6:30pm – 9:00pm

<b>BOARD ORIENTATION</b>
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1. Continuation of Board Orientation
  - 1.1. Communication – internal and external
  - 1.2. Board/ED relationship
    - 1.2.1. Board oversight of ED
    - 1.2.2. Board/ED responsibilities/accountabilities
    - 1.2.3. Co-ED model
  - 1.3. Risks & opportunities

<b>WELCOME &amp; ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS</b>
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2. Land acknowledgment by Quinn Fletcher
3. Community Voices
  - 3.1. Mary Doody-Jones: St. Matthias Church proposed sale of land and redevelopment, Mary petitioned for divorce of Fairfield and Gonzales to establish independent Gonzales Community Association
  - 3.2. Susan Martin, NSUN: Susan shares about 2024 priorities – 24/7 washroom on Pandora and sanctioned encampments
4. Call to order.
5. Establish Quorum (10/14)

<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>
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6. Review of action items from last meeting
  - 6.1. Vanya to circulate Arthur MacInnes's email for context - done
  - 6.2. Secretary to update consent agenda motion language to include additions to the agenda - done
  - 6.3. Vanya to circulate a list of committees, chairs, membership, usual meeting date – done
7. City update: Matt mentions OCP motions this week and next. 2024 budget: proposed tax increase of 8.73% for wages and infrastructure. Two recent approvals on developments in Fairfield. Five parks have been closed to housing, Pacifica Housing has found housing for affected unhoused neighbours. Kimberley updates on Neighbourhood Team composition and reduced staff capacity. Staff attendance at neighbourhood association meetings will be by invitation only. Newsletter overhaul and review of 2024 programming on the horizon.

<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b>
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8. Confirmation of Agenda. Nothing to be added to or removed from the consent agenda for

discussion.

9. Adoption of minutes from November 6 and November 28 board meeting and in camera meeting
10. Approval of new members

Motion to approve agenda, adopt minutes and approve new members. Moved: Carrie, Seconded: Bianca. Carried.

<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>	7:45pm
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11. Discussion of Arthur MacInnes' request and next steps – no connection to FGCA, we won't pursue a collaboration

<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	7:45pm
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12. Incoming board correspondence – nothing of note
13. Strategic Planning (Vanya) – good time of year to review and update strategic plan. It will be discussed at upcoming Governance Committee meeting. Two feedback sessions for all board and committee members proposed.
14. Events and Branding (Carrie) – suggest being more present and visible at events/markets, engage with neighbours. Be mindful of branding that might be read as excluding Gonzales. Vanya adds that a summer event at Gonzales Beach planned by Ashley. Presence at markets/events should be linked to specific asks and projects that we want to highlight.
15. Official Community Plan (OCP) update – November saw city's "engagement meeting" with community stakeholders which was an hour-long information session. Daniel outlines OCP background and timeline.

Motion for NIC and CALUC to develop and propose plan for neighbourhood engagement opportunities during OCP update process, to be presented at next board meeting. Moved: Carrie, Seconded: Philip. Carried.

<b>REPORTS</b>	8:32pm
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16. Executive Director's report
17. Committee reports
  - 17.1. VCAN – meeting centered OCP update and proposals from city that felt like attempts to diminish public engagement, many points to decide direction on during next meeting, many concerns issued from VCAN members. Anna proposes for president or VP to join VCAN; Quinn will join VCAN.  
*Action item:* Vanya to follow up with Don to get Daniel, Quinn, and Hayley added to VCAN mailing list.
  - 17.2. Executive Committee – nothing to report
  - 17.3. Finance Committee – quarterly financial report was made available to the board, nothing to flag; Philip anticipates financials for first six months and forecast at March board meeting. Philips words of wisdom: FGCA is Fairfield's biggest employer and associated risks and responsibilities should be taken seriously.
  - 17.4. CALUC – might need different space to hold meetings; November saw 75 attendees. Daniel mentions issues with CALUC sessions on development master plans versus individual building plans, and confusion around direction/goals for those

discussions.

17.5. Governance Committee – nothing to report

17.6. Neighbourhood Improvement Committee – nothing to report

Motion to accept all reports. Moved: Philip, Seconded: Carrie. Carried.

Motion to go in camera. Moved: James, Seconded: Daniel. Carried.

<b>IN CAMERA SESSION</b>	9:18pm
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18. Update on the BC Legislature RFP

<b>MEETING CONCLUSION</b>	9:19pm
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19. Summary of Action Items from this meeting:

19.1. Vanya to follow up with Don to get Daniel, Quinn, and Hayley added to VCAN mailing list.

20. Next Board meeting: February 5 at 7:00pm

Motion to adjourn. Moved: Joanna, Seconded: Philip. Carried.

**ATTENDANCE**

Meeting Calendar	2023		2024								
	Nov 6	Nov 28	Jan 8	Feb 5	Mar 4	Apr 8	May 6	Jun 3	Jul 8	Sep 9	Oct 7
Anna Phelan	✓	✓	✓								
Bianca Wallace	✓	✓	✓								
Carrie Fuzi	x	✓	✓								
Daniel Powell	✓	✓	✓								
Desiree Neufeld	✓	✓	✓								
Don Monsour	✓	✓	✓								
Hayley Lapalme	✓	✓	x								
James Coccola	✓	✓	✓								
Jennifer Causton	✓	✓	x								
Joanna Fox	x	✓	✓								
Philip Sawkins	✓	✓	✓								
Quinn Fletcher	x	x	✓								
Scott Davis	✓	x	x								
Vanessa Gelhaar	✓	✓	✓								
<b>Staff</b>											
Debbie Banerjee	✓	✓	✓								
Vanya McDonell	✓	✓	✓								
<b>City Reps</b>	1	0	2								
<b>Public</b>	2	0	2								

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