

FGCA Board Meeting

MINUTES

April 7, 2025

Fairfield Community Place

1330 Fairfield Road

7:00pm – 9:00pm

WELCOME & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

7:00pm

1. Land acknowledgment by Daniel Powell
2. Ice breaker: If you took over your family business/profession, what would you be doing today?
3. Establish Quorum (8/12)
4. Community Voices
Robin Jones, Gonzales Neighbourhood Association discussed crosswalks, traffic calming and neighbourhood events. FGCA reiterated its interest in working with GNA on events in Gonzales and Vanya will connect with the GNA board regarding the July 12 Gonzales Sunset Beach Party.

ACTION ITEMS

7:13pm

5. Review action items from last meeting:
 - 5.1 Executive Committee will discuss refining criteria for 'stakeholder' - membership and options for where the board can undertake this work. Complete - delegated to Governance Committee for 2026
 - 5.2 Daniel will draft for the Board's review a letter to Provincial and Opposition representatives in support of addressing housing needs. Carried forward to May meeting
 - 5.3 Quinn to follow up on formation of ad hoc anniversary planning committee. Complete – Vanya actioned, meeting April 10
 - 5.4 Vanya to distribute City of Victoria map of new speed limits. Complete
 - 5.5 All committee chairs will bring proposed Strategic Plan responsibilities to their committees for discussion and return with input to the next board meeting. Complete
 - 5.6 Hayley will circulate the current Sauna Festival event charter and return to the board with a scoped proposal for board consideration. Complete

CONSENT AGENDA

7:20pm

6. Confirmation of Agenda. Anything to be added to or removed from the consent agenda for discussion?
Agenda additions: Sauna festival, replacement VCAN member
7. Adoption of minutes from the March board meeting
8. Approval of new members

Motion to approve agenda, adopt minutes and approve new members.

Moved by Vanessa. Seconded by Daniel. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS	7:22pm
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- 9. City update – Councillor Jeremy Caradonna
 - 9.1 Senior bylaw officer offered to meet with FGCA staff regarding sheltering. Vanya to email Councillor Caradonna this week
 - 9.1 Q&A
- 10. Incoming board correspondence
- 11. Committee and board participation
- 12. All Candidates Meeting
 - 12.1 FGCA staff and board can support but FGCA facilities aren't large enough to host. Vanessa and Don to discuss with Vanya
- 13. Executive Director's report
 - 13.1 Any outstanding bills?
 - 13.2 Kristina to connect with Hayley regarding living wage
- 14. VCAN member replacement
 - 14.1 Referred to Executive Committee to determine if President or Vice President will join VCAN

OLD BUSINESS	8:00pm
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- 15. Governance Committee
 - 15.1 Board skills survey results and recommendations
 - 15.1.1 Communications Committee will consider a board member recruitment campaign
 - 15.2 Committee report backs on proposed accountabilities and work plans under the Strategic Plan
 - 15.2.1 Committees in agreement with proposed accountabilities. Place and Programs meets April 8 and will formally confirm.

Motion to go in camera. Moved by Helen. Seconded by Vanessa. Carried.

IN CAMERA	8:06pm
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- 16. Sauna Festival proposal
- 17. Finance Committee
 - 17.1 Finance orientation
 - 17.2 Budget forecasting and quarterly report

MEETING CONCLUSION	9:00pm
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- 18. Next Board meeting: May 5, 7:00pm (5 min)
- 19. Action items from this meeting
 - 19.1 Vanya will connect with the GNA board regarding the July 12 Gonzales

Sunset Beach Party

19.2 Daniel will draft for the Board's review a letter to Provincial and Opposition representatives in support of addressing housing needs

19.3 Vanya to email Councillor Caradonna this week if FGCA staff would like to meet with a senior bylaw officer regarding sheltering

19.4 Vanessa and Don to discuss All Candidates Meeting with Vanya

19.5 Kristina to connect with Hayley regarding living wage

19.6 Executive Committee to determine if President or Vice President will join VCAN

19.7 Communications Committee will consider a board member recruitment campaign

20. Ice melter & questions arising out of today's meeting/open forum

Was tonight's meeting beneficial to you? What if anything can we do to improve future board meetings?

Motion to adjourn. Moved by Peter. Seconded by Helen. Carried.

ATTENDANCE

Meeting Calendar	2024	2025									
Director	Nov 4	Jan 6	Feb 3	Mar 3	Apr 7	May 5	Jun 2	Jul 7	Sep 8	Oct 6	Nov 3
Anna Phelan	✓										
Bianca Wallace	✓	✓	X	✓	✓						
Carrie Fuzi	✓	✓	✓	X	✓						
Daniel Powell	✓	✓	X	✓	✓						
Desiree Neufeld	✓										
Don Monsour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Hayley Lapalme	✓	X	✓	✓	✓						
Helen McDonald	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
James Coccola	✓	✓	✓	✓	X						
Jennifer Causton	✓	X	✓	✓							
Johanna Henderson	✓	✓	✓	✓	X						
Peter Hawker		✓	✓	X	✓						
Quinn Fletcher	✓	✓	✓	✓	X						
Steve Roddick	✓	✓	X	✓	X						
Vanessa Gelhaar	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Staff											
Debbie Banerjee	✓	✓									
Kristina Wilcox			✓	✓	✓						
Vanya McDonell	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
City Reps	1	1	1	1	1						
Public	1		1	1	1						