



Minutes: GNAG BOARD MEETING

April 18th, 2018 7:30 PM

Present: Geoff Kellow, John Richardson, Brad Sigouin, Elspeth Tory, Mary Tsai, Kate Weider, Heather Moncur, Cathy McCallion, Clare Pearson, Michel Ouelette

Regrets: Liz Izaguirre, Heather Irwin, Kellylee Evans, Sarah Wilson, Dominique Milne

1. Welcome. Quorum established

2. Adopt Agenda

The agenda was adopted (*Clare Pearson/ Cathy McCallion*)

Carried

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the previous meeting of March 28th, 2018 were approved

(*Brad Sigouin/ Geoff Kellow*) **Carried**

4. Operational Overview

Chairperson's Report (Kate):

- **GcCafe**

- There are 4 different tiers of coding and inspecting, and we got the standard health and safety coding treatment. However, we were supposed to get a vendor's permit when we opened our "commercial business". Natalie is 100% supportive and horrified at what has happened. City is hiring a consultant to interpret the code because they can't answer our questions. Not paying rent anymore. Waiting to hear back. Doing patio and GNAG on the go for now.

Executive Director's Report (Mary)

- **Sustainable Fashion Showcase:**

- Next Friday May 4th. Have great auction items, all coming together. Goal is to raise at least \$8k. Money going towards integration support program.

- **Anne of Green Gables Musical**

- Highly successful! Six shows, four of which were completely sold out. Looking at a surplus of about \$12K.

- **Park People TD Grant**

- Working together with the GCA for porchpalooza. Didn't get the grant. Sam Harris is looking into what we could do next year.

- **Grow Smart Girls**

- Next series has just started. Event last night was financial literacy and materialism. Tomorrow night is about career paths - Catherine McKenna will open, two other guest speakers. We have been asked if we can take over running the program.

- **Core Staffing update**

- Loss of two managers. With kitchen staff, it's been very fluid given all of the changes. Hired Paige Hewitt who has been helping out in the cafe, have her doing administration/tutoring. Paige will be leaving after the summer



after summer camp. With Tim's position, working on a reorganization of various roles. Lauren is going to take on more family/children programming. Ali is going to deal with childcare. Leaves Youth - everyone has increased their hours, but going to be posting a youth/adult programming position. Also looking at CSR and those needs.

- OSRCF Get up and Go!
 - We applied for a grant in the past (youthfit). Applied for the same grant but for seniors. Got the grant \$32K for two years. Starting in the fall. Work with Abbotsford and Lord Lansdowne, Villagia. Budget will also include some equipment and rentals (we need to make some of the contributions as well).
- **Canada summer jobs:**
 - asked for \$20K we were awarded \$13,600. Matching what was asked for last year. We actually need \$32 for the integration support workers for the whole summer. With the fashion showcase we're still short. We have a bit of money left over from subsidies. Use the CDF for the difference (\$10k-\$11k).

5. Treasurer's Report (Brad)

- Making a slow transition to TD bank. Still have GIC's at Bank of NS. Still do payroll at NS. Should take another 3-6 months to complete the switchover.
- Have some prepaid expenses (CPP). Some issue with credits - going to send out cheques.
- Total CDF about \$135K. \$7000 on preschool tables.

6. Community Partners Report (Geoff K)

- The Rink is dead. Long live the Rink.

7. Standing Committee Reports:

- Looking for music for the Lobster Fest.
- House Tour: 3 confirmed houses, 3 possibles
- GNAG Arts (Clare) Art show is opening May 3rd, 6-7pm vernissage. Paintings are up all month.

Motion to adjourn (*Heather Moncur / Kate Weider*) Carried