



GNAG BOARD MEETING February 15, 2017 7:00 p.m.

Present: John Richardson, Clare Pearson, Elspeth Tory, Geoff Kellow, Kate Weider, Brad Sigouin, Suzanne Joyal, Sarah Wilson, Heather Moncur, Pete Wightman

Regrets: Heather Irwin, Liz Izaguirre, Cathy McCallion, Michel Ouellete, Mary Tsai

1. Welcome. Quorum established

2. Adopt Agenda

The agenda was adopted with the addition of art in the café.

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the previous meeting of November 16th, 2016, were approved.

(Kate Weider/Claire Pearson) **Carried**

4. Chairperson's Report

GNAG Operations update

Legend (Suzanne)

- We had a meeting with e-register. Features are nice but we won't make a decision about this for a while. We need to establish pro's/cons of each system and look at them more carefully. Legend may be a bit too big for us, but we're not ready to get rid of it yet because we don't have a suitable replacement. We are going back to Legend with our requirements and not rushing into another decision. Also, pricing for e-register isn't necessarily clear.

Child Care and Early Year's Act (Liz)

- Had two meetings, one with the Glebe Nursery School and one with the ministry. Most of the items that concerned us initially do not affect pre-school children. Q4 does need to be licensed for 4-6 year olds. We were told it is straightforward to get a licence and would take about 4 months. Overall a very positive meeting. Either we get our own licence and share the space with the nursery school, or we piggy back off the nursery school's license. Breakfast club and lunch club are exempt, and walkover doesn't count. However, 3 year olds cannot attend camp; 4-6 year olds can. Staffing also needs to be looked at to have ECE or equivalent available.

IT and Internet security update (Pete)

- Gray Collette has helped with rewiring but doesn't have time to be the go-to person. Roland Aubry is coming on to help, and has met with the people from Storm and with Grey to get up to speed.

Spring Registration - March 2, 2017

- Brochure is out, camp registration has started

4. Treasurer's Report (Brad)

- Pete explained the CDF fund. When we fundraise it's up to the board to decide how to spend it. It's a pot that we can dig into for whatever need arises. Originally the fund was for renovations and upkeep on the building.

- Pete and Brad also looked at gcCafe - we are saving money where we can but it's costing a bit more than initially planned, taking time to turn things around. There is one program that used to require \$9000 for a space rental but is now using the gcCafé space, which is a good savings. The cafe is a work in progress. Some people are concerned that prices are too high.
- Childcare costs are up because of salary reviews; some people got a bump up, also childcare took a bigger portion of their time. Pottery memberships are up but overall not great. Youthfit grant will end so will affect amounts.
- We are readjusting the health and wellness classes
- New event: Vintage clothing boutique sale and fashion show, no date confirmed as of yet

5. Community Partners Report (Geoff K)

- community centre is going forward with the mural (scouting locations)
- Snowmania is happening
- On family day, the BIA is sponsoring street performers. Free hot chocolate will be given out by some of the businesses and the Ottawa 67's will be playing. The BIA and Beau's are going to do a St. Patrick's' day party at the Aberdeen Pavilion.

6. Any other Standing Committee Reports

- **Art exhibition** Claire is involved in choosing art projects. She has had a few applications. Met today and worked out the schedule until the summer. Trying to get some variety, with 6 week and 4 week shows.

7. Motion to adjourn:

- *(Kate Weider/Claire Pearson)* **Carried**