



## GNAG Board Meeting, Tuesday March 16, 2021 at 8:00pm

**Present:** Elizabeth Izaguirre, Elspeth Tory, Kate McCartney, Sheri Segal Glick, James Meloche, Mary Tsai, Brad Sigouin, John Richardson, Sarah Wilson, Geoff Kellow, Clare Pearson, Heather Moncur, Kellylee Evans & Dominique Milne

### **Welcome**

*Quorum established*

### **Review / Adopt agenda**

*(Clare/Heather)*

### **Review / Adopt minutes from previous meeting**

*(Sheri / James)*

### **Chairperson's Report (Elspeth)**

#### **Trivia Night In the Glebe:**

- The virtual event was very successful, with \$3100 raised in total.
- Geoff and John did a great job hosting the event!
- The next Trivia Night will take place on April 23, and will be hosted by Elspeth.
- This time food will not be included, as there was not enough return for the effort.
- We may offer a link to local Glebe restaurants.

### **Executive Director's Report (Mary)**

- **Online GNAG Art Show** is going live in April. From March 15-31 GNAG is accepting art works. The online show will allow viewers to buy directly from the artists.
- **Spring registration** starts this Thursday (March 18) online. The GNAG Spring Guide is now out online.
- **Summer Camp registration** has been very successful. All the waiting lists are full.
- **There may be no community use of schools this summer.** The Catholic School board has confirmed this, we are waiting to hear from the other school boards.
- The issue seems to be cleaning, which should not be an issue.
- Mary and Brad recommended we push back on that decision.
- Having space in local schools is essential for GNAG's summer camp program.
- Kate suggested that we engage the Minister of Education, and our Ottawa Provincial rep, and bring up the issues this will cause for the GNAG summer camp program.
- We need to identify other spaces in the Glebe, if the schools are not available – as more space is needed for our summer camp program, due to the COVID-19 restrictions.



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- Plus, extra spaces may be needed, if GNAG can expand the summer camp program to allow more individuals to participate.
- If we can't secure the extra space we need, and our summer camps cannot run at full capacity, we may have to access more of our reserve funds.

### ACTION:

- Mary will draft a letter to our Education Minister and other key individuals and share with Elspeth and Kate for their review/input.
- Mary will ask OSEG if they have any spaces, we could use for our summer program, as well as the dance studio on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, which recently closed.

### Treasurer's Report (Brad)

- The Federal Government has given \$490,000 in subsidies to GNAG, since the pandemic began.
- We are still able to receive our full subsidies – January-March.
- February was very successful for program revenue.
- Sales for summer camps to date are at, \$440,000
- Brad is feeling confident about our projections for this year. As the projections this past year were very accurate.
- Total Reserve Sources as of Jan 1, 2021, were \$541,491.
- We will not need to spend as much reserve funds as we assumed, as we have received more government subsidies.
- By the end of March 2021, we are projecting we will have \$489,00 in reserves, and \$405,586 in reserves as of June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- This is a much better projection than expected, thanks to the wage subsidy and the creative and response work of the GNAG team.
- The GNAG team has pivoted very effectively and successfully. The team has taken on new roles, extra responsibilities and got creative with their skills. A huge congratulations to the entire team for their incredible work!

### Community Partners Report (Geoff)

- No update from Geoff.
- Muchmore PS is looking for parents to join a committee to look at current traffic issues around the school. Elspeth welcomes ideas and individuals to join.
- GCA having a meeting next week, details are on their website.



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- Sales of the Glebe Wear, has raised \$656 for GNAG.

**AOB:**

- Brad suggested that we start planning for Taste in The Glebe, Jan 2022, and maybe make it into two events, to help address any COVID-19 restrictions.
- Mary suggested reserving the room now at GNAG for two dates.

**Next meeting April 21, at 8pm**

**Motion to Adjourn**

*(Clare / Heather)*