

Bellevue Community League

DRAFT (Unapproved) Minutes - Meeting of the Board of Directors, January 21, 2019 - 7:00pm

In attendance: Nazio Filice, Ed Boraas, Rick McAdie, Sherry Heschuk, Tim Starchuk, Anna Vesala (NRC), Kyla Fisher (Edmonton Toy Library), Emma Ingen-Housz (Edmonton Tool Library), Kerry Heise (Bookkeeper)

Regrets: Conrad Siegers, Fraser Hayes, Geof Lilge, Brian Finley, Jeremy Fritsche

1. Call to order
 - Meeting called to order at 19:05 by Rick McAdie
2. Approval of agenda
 - M/S/C Nazio/Ed that the agenda be approved
3. Consent Agenda

Board members are expected to have reviewed the previous meeting's minutes and all attached reports prior to the meeting. The Consent Agenda portion of the agenda will consist of a single motion: to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, to accept for information all reports included in the Consent Agenda package, and to approve of all motions included in the Consent Agenda package (outlined below).

- a. Approval of minutes of previous meeting: November 19, 2019
 - b. Community stakeholder reports
 - i. Neighbourhood Resource Coordinator (Anna Vesala)
 - ii. ~~Abundant Community Edmonton (Cory Seibel)~~
 - iii. ~~Edmonton Tool Library (Emma Ingen-Housz)~~
 - iv. ~~Northstars Athletic Club (Marvin/Kerry Heise)~~
 - v. ~~Edmonton Toy Library (Kyla Fisher)~~
 - c. Directors & chairs' reports
 - i. ~~President (Rick McAdie)~~
 - ii. Vice President (Brian Finley)
 - iii. ~~Treasurer (Conrad Siegers)~~
 - iv. ~~Social Director (Fraser Hayes)~~
 - v. ~~Program Director (Geof Lilge)~~
 - vi. ~~Membership Director (Laura Finley)~~
 - vii. ~~Civics Director (Tim Starchuk)~~
 - viii. ~~Communications Director (Jeremy Fritsche)~~
 - ix. Community Safety Director (Nazio Filice)
 - x. Sustainability Committee Chair (Sherry Heschuk)
 - xi. ~~Casino Committee Chair (Rick McAdie)~~
 - d. Motions included in Consent Agenda, if any (none)
 - M/S/C Nazio/Ed to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, and to accept for information all reports included in the Consent Agenda package
4. Presentations and Discussion Points (refer to attached reports)
 - a. Anna Vesala (NRC)
 - Feb 2 & 16 is the "Hypothermic Half-marathon"
 - Thursday is the Exhibition Lands planning framework session; drop-in style
 - A number of directors noticed that the Bellevue CL hall was missing from the renderings and will be raising this concern at the session
 - Drop-in curling for newbies at the Thistle on Tuesdays
 - EPSB public info session on budget Jan 30 6:30-8pm at Highlands School
 - Seniors service public engagement next week (3 sessions)
 - Grant opportunities: Anna distributed a table of commonly-accessed grant opportunities
 - Rick asked if Anna had any information on repurposing of the jockey quarters for transitional housing
 - To Anna's knowledge, this is still being considered for rezoning
 - b. Edmonton Toy Library (Kyla Fisher)
 - i. Toy Library update
 - Kyla has met with a number of people who are interested in the Toy Library
 - Facebook and Instagram presence has been established
 - Kyla will be setting up a Google Form to collect volunteer information
 - Goal is to hold toy drives every Sunday in February

- Will be communicating through a number of social channels (e.g. Highlands Baby Facebook group)
 - Considering hosting an open “play day” in the hall featuring various activities and library toys
 - Rick asked if BCL should consider offering the babysitting course and/or a babysitter registry
 - After the toy drives in February, the Toy Library will assess their donations and hopefully launch in March, opening on one weeknight and one weekend day per week
 - Kyla will bring a six-month plan to the next meeting
 - Sherry asked how storage would be arranged
 - Kyla responded that there is a large shelf that will be placed in the coat room and stocked in large Rubbermaid-style containers
 - Bright Horizons is interested in contributing, and hoping for some acknowledgement where possible
 - Kyla has been discussing with Boom Bags Edmonton re. Toy Library reusable bags
 - Kyla presented an itemized request for \$500, including cleaning/storage materials, logo, and estimated contingency
 - M/S/C Tim/Sherry that the Edmonton Toy Library be given \$500 to support the presented request
- c. Edmonton Tool Library
- i. Spring door campaign - deadline for submitting a small pamphlet for inclusion?
 - Rick noted that this deadline has not yet, but that we will keep the Tool Library informed
 - The Tool Library has had a number of discussions around the broader sharing economy
 - Lots of opportunities for collaboration with the Toy Library and others
 - Kyla mentioned that the league may wish to investigate holding “swap” events
- d. Community Safety Director (Nazio Filice)
- i. History of Bellevue Community League being involved in any Neighbourhood Watch programs
 - Nazio attended the recent Edmonton Neighbourhood Watch presentation
 - BCL has participated in the past, but not in any recent years, simply due to lack of volunteer capacity
 - ENW encourages residents to report any suspicious behaviour and to promote safety
 - ii. Interest in potential programs if Bellevue Community League joins Edmonton Neighbourhood Watch
 - Programs include “Walk Your Block” -- not an active patrol, but an effort to have ad-hoc walks in the neighbourhood
 - ENW also has a sign program, providing signs to post at community entrances or other strategic locations
 - Nazio would be willing to act as BCL’s Neighbourhood Watch representative, if the board is interested
 - iii. Potential motions:
 - M/S/C Nazio/Tim that Bellevue Community League join the Edmonton Neighbourhood Watch Program and establish an official program for the Community League through Edmonton Neighbourhood Watch
 - M/S/C Sherry/Ed that BCL appoint Nazio Filice as Bellevue Community rep for the Edmonton Neighbourhood Watch Program
 - Depending on what potential programs are of interest/value to the league, there may be a potential motion to approve particular programs to implement through Edmonton Neighbourhood Watch
5. Business arising from the previous meeting’s minutes, if any
6. Other new business, if any
- a. Collaboration with Highlands CL (Rick McAdie)
 - Rick will be meeting with Andrew Clark of HCL at Fox Burger on Thursday at 8pm
 - BCL Board members are invited to attend
7. Date and time of next meeting
- a. The next scheduled BCL meeting will be held on February 19 at 7pm
8. Adjournment
- a. Meeting adjourned at 20:24