

Minutes - GSCA Board Meeting

December 15, 2021

1. Opening of the blended Zoom/in camera meeting:

Gary opened the meeting at 10:04

Present: Wanda Borley, Sherrill Dobb-Tisdall, Noni Fidler, Howard Houle, Kim Kristiansen, Ken Manninen, Gary Mills, Dale Stohn

Regrets: Richard Strachan, Howard Houle

2. Amendments to agenda:

- New Business - salt on sidewalks
- New Business - Christmas greeting from Board

3. Approving the amended agenda: Wanda - **carried**

4. Approving the Minutes from November 17, 2021 Board Meeting: Noni - **carried**

5. Matters arising from the November 17, 2021 Minutes:

ONGOING:

1. Charitable Status Application (Ken) - Ken was to create communication to members asking them to vote for one of the following options for charitable status:

Option 1 - withdraw application

Option 2 - accept CRA proposed purposes

Option 3 - negotiate addition of reference to seniors in proposed purposes

- communication was sent and results of vote were distributed to members with the following outcome: 71 (60%) of members responded, 96% favoured GSCA applying for charitable status (Option 2 + Option 3) with 72% favouring Option 3

2. Nominating Committee (Dale/Sherrill)

- Update - No further nominees identified

TO DO: Dale to approach Bob W. for a suggestion and Sherrill to approach Mona

3. Correspondence (all)

- Ken provided letter of support to Gabriola Players for grant application to BC Arts Council for new lighting

4. Water testing - Kim will confirm VIHA will recognize his authorization to change water filters once the his course is completed. Kim will notify Jill at VIHA once he has completed the course and will confirm at that time what he will be approved to do. Kim will also notify AQuality that he will be taking over changing filters and testing water. - **pending**

5. Bike Rack- Noni contacted Rob West if he could fabricate a bike rack but not able to supply.

MOTION (Ken/Kaamran) - Dale and Noni will apply for a grant from the Gabriola Recreation Society to finance the purchase of a five place bike rack from Global Industrial as well as installation costs. **carried**

Gary and Kim will be responsible for installation.

6. Planning (Ken)

- if GSCA becomes a registered charity, the Board will need to develop a list of initiatives to be addressed as funding allows

CURRENT:

1. Memory Garden (Noni) - **carried forward** - discussion about development of memory garden and policy for the Memory Garden. This will be discussed once charitable status consideration is addressed at the exceptional general meeting.
2. Ken was to acknowledge Nesters donations of coffee, tea and condiments on the GSCA website. **done**
3. Howard left voicemail for Keith Kloosterboer of MOTI to request connecting drainage culvert from school to Rollo drainage culvert. Howard was to craft correspondence to Steve and send to Ken to mail letter to Steve and copy the MOTI Gabriola foreman requesting connection of school culvert to Rollo culvert. **outstanding**

6. **New Business:**

1. Rollo Handicap Parking (Dale) - Agreed that 5 handicap parking spaces are not necessary as they are never all in use. **TO DO: (Kim)** - remove the handicap sign closest to the generator.
2. Number of Associate Members in GSCA (Ken) - Associate members have not been identified in the membership list. **TO DO: (Wanda)** - modify envelopes to have members identify if they are applying as a regular member or as an associate member when submitting dues. Modify membership application form on website similarly.
3. Salt for sidewalks (Ken) - The parking pad can be very slippery when there are freezing conditions. **TO DO: (Kim)** - place deicing material in a container by the entrance doors for members to use as needed.
4. Christmas greeting from Board (Ken) - **TO DO: (Ken/Dale/Gary)** Gary to develop Christmas greetings to members. Dale to add greeting to a decorative greeting image. Ken to email greeting to members.

7. **Reports:**

1. Treasurer/Membership – Wanda - chequing is slightly up this month.

Chequing - \$10,759.12

Savings - \$15,116.75

2. Secretary/Communications - Ken - the GSCA domain and website hosting fees are due in the next few weeks and will be paid on my credit card.
3. Events and Keys - Kaamran - there have been requests for rentals but none of them are for Christmas craft sales.
4. Supplies - Kim - coffee supplies have been checked. Magic erasers purchased for cleaner.
5. Maintenance - Kim/Howard - Kim gave industrial polisher buffing lesson to janitor Joel who seemed to catch on quite well. Installed weather stripping on entrance door. No vermin have been trapped this period. **TO DO (Kim):** Contact Will at Fire Hall to inquire about purchasing the industrial polisher.
8. **General Discussion:**
The extraordinary general meeting of members is scheduled for Sunday, January 16th at 11:00. The purpose of the meeting will be to consider the resolution to adopt new purposes for GSCA to support the application for registered charitable status. Announcement of the extraordinary meeting must be out by Sunday, January 2nd in compliance with bylaws.
9. **Meeting adjourned by Gary at 11:35.**