



BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

of The 519 Church Street Community Centre

MEETING MINUTES

**for the meeting held on January 30, 2012
2011-2012 Meeting # 4**

Meeting Attendance

Board Members and Staff

Pascal Dessureault, Scott Bomhof, Margo Foster, Tyler Fleming, Julia Lo, Don Middleton, Andre Papadimitriou, Rudy Ticzon, Michael von Teichman. (Regrets: Anthony Partipilo, Jeff Zoeller, Councillor Wong-Tam)

Maura Lawless (Executive Director), Matthew Cutler, Janet Rowe, Helen Rykens

Visitors and Guests

Tristan Downe-Dewdney, Constituency and Planning Assistant, Councillor Wong-Tam's office

Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome

Pascal, the Chair, opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

2. Approval of agenda

MOVED BY Scott Bomhof
SECONDED BY Margo Foster
THAT the Agenda be adopted.
CARRIED

3. Approval of minutes

MOVED BY Don Middleton
SECONDED BY Tyler Fleming
THAT the minutes of the meeting held December 11, 2011 be approved as circulated.
CARRIED

4. Declaration of conflicts of interest

None were declared.

5. Agency Business

City of Toronto - Community Services Partnership: Supports the Older LGBT Drop In and anti-violence programming within the Community Support Services program.

Grant Request: \$41,190

MOVED BY Julia Lo

SECONDED BY Margo Foster

THAT the City of Toronto Community Services Partnership grant application for \$41,190 for the Older LGBT Program and Community Support Services Program be approved.

CARRIED

City of Toronto - Major Recreation: Funds Children's programming including Summer and March Break Camps and the Family Resource Centre and the Older LGBT program.

Grant Request: \$11,176

MOVED BY Scott Bomhof

SECONDED BY Pascal Dessureault

THAT the City of Toronto Major Recreation grant application for \$11,176 for the Older LGBT Program and Children's Programs be approved.

CARRIED

City of Toronto - AIDS Community Investment Program: Supports HIV prevention education and health promotion programming with Trans Sex workers.

Grant Request: \$40,000

MOVED BY Margo Foster

SECONDED BY Julia Lo

THAT the City of Toronto AIDS Community Investment Program grant application for \$40,000 for the Trans Outreach Program be approved.

CARRIED

City of Toronto - Access, Equity and Human Rights: Supports the queer specific anti-hate initiatives including the reporting line

Grant Request: \$20,000

MOVED BY Don Middleton

SECONDED BY Tyler Fleming

THAT the City of Toronto Access, Equity and Human Rights grant application for \$20,000 for anti-hate initiatives be approved.

CARRIED

Foundation Fundraising: We have created a proposal to support Healthy Transactions, a comprehensive physical activity and health promotion program for transgender, gender queer, 2 Spirited and questioning youth.

Grant Request:\$65,000

MOVED BY Pascal Dessureault

SECONDED BY Tyler Fleming

THAT the Board support a request for a grant of up to \$65,000 to a suitable foundation to support the Healthy Transactions Program.

CARRIED

City of Toronto Policy Statement: This statement must be approved annually by the Board of Management as part of our application process with the City of Toronto.

The 519 Church Street Community Centre declares that the organization adopts and upholds the City of Toronto policy statement which prohibits discrimination and harassment and protects the right to be free of hate activity, based on age, ancestry, citizenship, creed (religion), colour, disability, ethnic origin, family status, gender identity, level of literacy, marital status, place of origin, membership in a union or staff association, political affiliation, race, receipt of public assistance, record of offences, sex, sexual orientation or any other personal characteristics by or within the organization.

MOVED BY Scott Bomhof

SECONDED BY Michael von Teichman

THAT the Board re-affirm support for the City of Toronto Policy Statement on non-discrimination.

CARRIED - unanimous

6. Executive Committee Report

Pascal reported.

2012 Fundraising plan: The Executive will meet with Salah Bachir, the Honorary Patron, to plan a Gala event for this spring. Pascal will send an update to the Board once details have been finalized.

215 Pan Am Games Exploratory Committee: There will be a meeting on February 15.

Retreat outcome: The Executive and the Board thank Rudy and the Strategic and Program Planning Committee. The retreat was fruitful and the committee will be developing the next steps towards development of a new strategic plan.

The Executive will be proposing a schedule for Board reports regarding programs, and statistical reviews.

7. Human Resources Committee Report

The 2012 City of Toronto budget reductions that were approved by the Board have passed at City Council. The budget reduction plan is being implemented and CUPE 2998 has been notified of the changes.

8. Finance Committee Report

The Finance Committee did not meet, as year end processes are being completed. The Audit starts next week. At the next Board meeting we will see two reports including the year end and January 2012 statements.

9. Strategic and Program Planning

Rudy reported

Julia, Margo, Rudy and Maura met to discuss the next strategic planning process. Consultation and community engagement will be important parts of the process however we also need to undertake a review of existing priorities and resources to best provide advice to the board. We will schedule working group meetings to further develop the process.

10. Resource Development Committee

Tyler reported.

The committee held an additional meeting to consider the best way to structure the work. It was agreed that there will be two subcommittees:

1. Fundraising and Events will be chaired by Tyler
2. Community Engagement and Membership will be chaired by Julia

Community members will be able to sit on the subcommittees (working groups). The next meeting will be on February 29.

11. Green Space on Church

Pascal noted that this should be a new agenda item as it is now a separate committee. Margo reported.

Margo has been in touch with Mathieu and Ian. Ian will be back in Canada at the end of February, when he'll be able to devote some time to our events, as he has in the past several years.

Margo and Julia met with about twelve women who form the Lipstick Jungle organizing group.

12. Correspondence

No correspondence

13. Emerging Issues

Scott noted that recent changes to the Public Transportation and Safety Act may create

travel barriers for trans identified individuals. People doing screening at airports can deny access to anyone whose appearance does not match the gender on their ID. The regulation has been around since April 2011 but is now receiving some press coverage. The regulations were changed to reflect the use of scanners and personal examinations. If the screening personnel perceive your gender as different from what is stated on your ID, you may receive more intensive scrutiny or be denied access. There are also issues for women wearing burkas or abayas. There has been no training for airport staff.

This issue will be reviewed by the strategic and program planning committee.

14. Adjournment

MOVED BY Michael von Teichman
SECONDED BY Margo Foster
THAT the meeting be adjourned
CARRIED

15. Next Board Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Monday, February 27, 2012 at 6:30 PM