



BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

of The 519 Church Street Community Centre

MEETING MINUTES

for the meeting held on July 26, 2011

Meeting Attendance

Board Members and Staff

Scott Bomhof, Pascal Dessureault, Tyler Fleming, Natasha Garda (Chair), Don Middleton, Anthony Partipilo, Michael von Teichman, Rudy Ticzon, Jeff Zoeller (Regrets: Lee Mark Schofield, Councillor Wong-Tam)

Maura Lawless (Executive Director), Matthew Cutler, Rick McCarty, Helen Rykens

Visitors and Guests

Kevin Beaulieu, Councillor Wong Tam's office
Karim Chagan, Shae London, Gaelen Partick, Jane Riccioppo, Angella Williamson –possible Board of Management Nominees

Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome

Natasha, the Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Approval of agenda

MOVED BY Anthony Partipilo
SECONDED BY Tyler Fleming
THAT the Agenda be adopted as printed.
CARRIED

3. Approval of minutes

MOVED BY Don Middleton
SECONDED BY Pascal Dessureault
THAT the minutes of the meeting held July 26, 2011 be approved as circulated.
CARRIED

4. Declaration of conflicts of interest

None were declared.

5. Green Space on Church Report

We have a preliminary report which is coming out prior to the reports from Ian Abinakle and the staff debriefing report. A final report will come to the Board in September.

This was The 519's best Pride fundraising event ever in terms of net income.

The community advisory groups did a great job under the leadership of Mathieu Chantelois and Natasha Garda. Jane Riccioppo and Gaelen Patrick were also involved.

Next year's Pride could be different as July 1 is a Sunday. Our high income this year had something to do with the fact that July 1 was on a Friday. Also, this year Pride Toronto did not have major headline events competing with ours, so our entertainment drew more people in than in previous years, due to low competition.

The AIDS Memorial was inside the beer garden, which was well received by most. The family friendly area was also popular, though not packed.

Discussion re: 2012

- can we have a larger garden?
- what is the impact of planning an even larger event on the core services that 519 staff provide
- planning for 2012 will begin shortly after the AGM

Scott and Anthony congratulated Mathieu and Natasha for their excellent leadership. Natasha thanked the staff for their wonderful, dedicated work. There was a round of applause from the Board for the staff.

MOVED BY Tyler Fleming

SECONDED BY Anthony Partipilo

THAT to thank the volunteers who sat on the committees, and all of the 519 volunteers who worked to make Pride Weekend a success for The 519.

CARRIED

5. Agency Business

The Toronto Public Health (TPH) Youth Grant is intended to motivate and create opportunities for youth engagement and action on health issues within Toronto. The Healthy TransActions program will be requesting funding from Toronto Public Health to increase the scope of our active healthy living mandate to include anti-smoking and tobacco harm reduction.

MOVED BY Jeff Zoeller

SECONDED BY Pascal Dessureault

THAT we approve the application to the Toronto Arts Council for a grant of up to \$10,000 for the Seniors' Conference in November.

CARRIED

6. ED Report

Association of Community Centres (AOCC) Budget Process: A number of the community centres have met the minus 10% budget directive from the City. The City is examining the budgets to see if the 10% cut will cause service reductions. The 519 submission has met the City's direction to cut 10% from the budget and seek service efficiencies that won't affect direct services to residents. There is no news on the September budget process. At this point we don't know if or how the minus 10% will be implemented.

Core Services Review: In the second phase KPMG's summary report on the AOCC group lists the AOCC management and administration as traditional, which is a relatively good rating. Most of what we do is Council mandated or Board of Management mandated, not legislatively mandated. This will go to the Executive Committee this week. We are not recommending deputing at this time.

The next phase of the review will be the service efficiencies review across community centres. Board Survey: thank you to those who completed the survey. Maura will send it out again for the other 5 Board Members.

7. Executive Committee Report

MOVED BY Donald Middleton

SECONDED BY Scott Bomhof

THAT the Executive Committee be appointed as the Nominations Committee, who will then possibly appoint an additional board member to the Nominations Committee. The Nominations Committee will follow the same process as last year and interview all of the nominees. Once the interviews are complete, the committee will put forward a recommended slate of candidates based on our strategic plan and Board priorities.

CARRIED

8. Human Resources Committee Report

The Human Resources Committee had no report.

8. Finance Committee Report

Anthony reviewed the monthly report, highlighting details about the Gala events (which were not in the budget but which have raised significant funds) and Pride income and expenses. Since 3 of our 4 Green Space on Church took place in July, the July statements and reports will be more reflective of our true situation.

Fabarnak charges hard costs (ingredients and labour) for 519 events. Cumulative revenue from events goes into the revenue for The 519. Fabarnak has all of the expense and break even revenue.

On August 22 the Finance Committee will review the 2011 budget to see where we are for the rest of the year. We will present our findings at the September Board meeting. There will also be a report on Fabarnak in September.

9. Strategic and Program Planning

Survey item was covered in the Executive Director's Report.

10. Advocacy Committee

The Advocacy Committee had no report.

11. Resource Development Committee

The Gala Report shows \$114, 111 net revenue. The Board thanked Salah for his Gala initiative at the last meeting. The Gala was a fantastic opportunity to highlight the Centre and to invite the capital donors back to see the benefits of their original gifts.

Membership numbers have increased this year. We have exceeded our annual target already. There is a membership campaign leading up to the Annual General Meeting.

In the Annual Campaign we receive the bulk of donations in the last 2 months of the year. The VIP wristband program brought in some donors.

Board members can be active in speaking with their networks about supporting The 519. Each Board Member will have their own approach with their own donors. Some may wish to organize a Centrepiece Dinner – speak with Matt about dates and specific activities re: the asking process.

There was some discussion about Membership Networks such as the Young Professionals Network and the Bridge Builders Network, which are meant to appeal to young people and older people respectively. There is a donor level to the networks but membership can be achieved through volunteer work as well. Maura agreed to report back in more detail on this initiative for the next meeting.

Art Donations: The 519 received a significant donation of art from Kate Amesbury and Joan Chalmers. Art is located in the lobby, room 201, and on the 3rd floor. We are in the process of talking with people about insurance for the artworks. The Board expressed their appreciation of the generous gift to the Centre.

MOVED BY Anthony Partipilo

SECONDED BY Rudy Ticzon

THAT to acknowledge the gift of art from Kate Amesbury and Joan Chalmers, recognizing also that they donated \$50,000 to the Capital Campaign and have remained very involved in The 519 over the past year.

CARRIED

12. Correspondence

No Correspondence

12. Emerging Issues

There were no emerging issues which were not addressed elsewhere in the agenda.

13 Other business

There was no other business

14 Next Board Meetings

September 19 at 6:30 PM

AGM: Thursday, September 27 at 7 PM

15. Adjournment

MOVED BY Rudy Ticzon

SECONDED BY Pascal Dessureault

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED