

Monday, February 26, 2024 @ 6:30 - 8:30 PM, Hybrid via Zoom/Room 204

Board Members

Chair: Paul Saguil	Vanshika Dhawan	Min Oh	
Vice-Chair: Tom Spence	Aaron Hewitt	Juan Camilo Rendon	
		Ocampo	
Secretary: Erika Voaklander	Brett House	Jaris Swidrovich	
Treasurer: Zoe Robinson	Natalie Miller		
Ex-Officio: Councillor Chris Moise (present)			

The 519

Executive Director	Maura Lawless
Director, Finance	Maria Martinez
Director, Strategic Partnership Initiatives	Jaymie Sampa
Manager, Strategic & Executive Planning (minutes)	Laura Gibbon

Guests: Maria Guardado and Stanley Jonathan (Councillor's Office)

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Item	Minutes				
1	Welcome and Introductions				
	Paul Saguil opened the meeting at 6:32 PM, welcomed everyone including guests and				
	delivered the land acknowledgement and acknowledged February being Black History				
	Month.				
2	Approve Agenda				
	Paul Saguil requested the Board to review the agenda for the Board Meeting of February				
	26, 2024.				
	Proposed change:				
	Add in-camera minutes				
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	MOTION 2.1: To approve the agenda, as amended, for the Board Meeting of February				
	26, 2024.				
	20, 2027.				
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	Moved by: Brett House				
	Seconded by: Jaris Swidrovich				
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	of February 26, 2024.				
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	Recorded vote: Unanimous				
	Vanshika Dhawan				
	Aaron Hewitt				
	Brett House				
	Natalie Miller				
	Min Oh				



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Zoe Robinson

Paul Saguil

Tom Spence

Jaris Swidrovich

Erika Voaklander

Councillor Chris Moise

Decision carried

3 Approve Meeting Minutes

Paul Saguil requested the Board to review the minutes for the Board Meeting of December 18, 2023.

MOTION 3.1: To approve the minutes for the Board Meeting of December 18, 2023.

Moved by: Brett House

Seconded by: Vanshika Dhawan

That the Board of Management approve the minutes for the Board Meeting of December 18, 2023.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

Vanshika Dhawan

Aaron Hewitt

Brett House

Natalie Miller

Min Oh

Zoe Robinson

Paul Saguil

Tom Spence

Jaris Swidrovich

Erika Voaklander

Councillor Chris Moise

Decision carried

4 Declaration of Conflict of Interest(s)

Paul Saguil confirmed no conflicts of interest were declared.

Chair Report/Executive Committee – Paul Saguil (Chair of the Board)

5.1 Chair's Report

 Paul Saguil thanked staff for their ongoing hard work, specifically acknowledging the Love in Action: Unity for Refugees event from February 13, and the



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Community Brunch on February 25, and thanked staff and Board members who attended and made the events possible.

5.2 Board Retreat

- Staff will circulate a poll to choose a date in April.
- Possible topics to cover include: follow-up on the network mapping activity,
 Government Relations strategy, 50th anniversary, Absorb demo, impact of The
 519's work, federal election advocacy, board effectiveness. The Executive
 Committee will plan the agenda and bring it to the March Board meeting for
 review.

Other Updates:

- Councillor Chris Moise gave an update on the New Year's Levee event co-hosted with MP Marci Ien. The Councillor shared he felt that the public perception of The 519 and the Church-Wellesley neighbourhood has been positively changing over the past 12 months, and thanked The 519 team for their work in addressing community concerns.
- Board members who attended the Community Brunch shared that the event seemed to be very well received, attracted a diverse group of 50-60 community members, and supported positively framed conversation about community safety for everyone.

Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo arrived at 6:40pm.

5.3 Revised 2024 Board Agenda Forecast

Request to change the FPC report from February to March based on new meeting date.

MOTION 5.3: To approve the Revised 2024 Board Agenda Forecast, as amended.

Moved by: Tom Spence

Seconded by: Councillor Chris Moise

That the Board of Management approve the Revised 2024 Board Agenda Forecast, as amended.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

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Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo



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Decision carried

6 Executive Director Report – Maura Lawless (Executive Director)

6.1 2024 Organizational Workplan and 2023 Accomplishments Presentation

- Maura Lawless presented the 2024 Organizational Workplan and 2023
 Accomplishments and thanked all staff, particularly the senior leadership team, for their hard work, dedication and leadership.
- Board members thanked Maura and the staff for their work all year and reiterated that the amount of work done at The 519 on an annual basis is incredible.
- Suggested additions to the 2024 workplan included: policy and procedure updates
 resulting from by-law changes, and key metrics or indicators to measure success
 at the end of the year. The possibility of a 'strategy department' or 'hub' may not
 be possible at this time, currently strategic planning exists across the organization
 and is everyone's responsibility.
- The Board discussed the overwhelming amount of work, and detail, presented in the workplans. This level of detail is provided to ensure public accountability, transparency of work – what we are doing and why. There are broad strategic areas in which the Board could narrow its view in order to provide the best oversight.
- The Board asked about the learning management tool used for training delivery in the housing sector: Absorb. Staff will ensure Board members have an opportunity to do a demo.
- The Councillor asked about the \$3.89M fundraising goal Treasurer confirmed the annual budget target and Board review and approval of the goal as part of the 2024 annual operating budget.

7 In-Camera Meeting Minutes

MOTION 7.1a: To go in camera.

Moved by: Brett House

Seconded by: Jaris Swidrovich



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That the Board of Management go in camera.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

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Min Oh

Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

Zoe Robinson
Paul Saguil
Tom Spence
Jaris Swidrovich
Erika Voaklander
Councillor Chris Moise

Decision carried

The Board reviewed the in-camera minutes for the Board Meeting of December 18, 2023.

MOTION 7.1b: To come out of in camera.

Moved by: Erika Voaklander **Seconded by:** Vanshika Dhawan

That the Board of Management come out of in camera.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

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Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

Zoe Robinson Paul Saguil Tom Spence Jaris Swidrovich Erika Voaklander

Councillor Chris Moise

Decision carried



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MOTION 7.1: To approve the in-camera minutes for the Board Meeting of December 18, 2023.

Moved by: Brett House **Seconded by:** Tom Spence

That the Board of Management approve the in-camera minutes for the Board Meeting of December 18, 2023.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

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Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

Zoe Robinson
Paul Saguil
Tom Spence
Jaris Swidrovich
Erika Voaklander

Councillor Chris Moise

Decision carried

8 Other Business / Emerging Issues

N/A

9 Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:01pm.

Item	Attached Documents *yellow highlight indicates in camera session where document will be available printed at the meeting		
2	2.1	Agenda for Board Meeting of February 26, 2024	
3	3.1	Minutes for Board Meeting of December 18, 2023	
5	5.3	Revised 2024 Board Agenda Forecast	
6	6.1	2024 Organizational Workplan and 2023 Accomplishments	
<mark>7</mark>	7.1	In-Camera Minutes for Board meeting of December 18, 2023	