

MINUTES: Board of Management, Meeting 8 (2022-2023) Monday, May 29, 2023 @ 6:30 - 8:30 PM, Hybrid room 204/Zoom

Board Members

Chair: Paul Saguil	Aaron Hewitt	Min Oh
Vice-Chair: Tom Spence	Pam Hrick	Juan Camilo Rendon
		Ocampo
Secretary: Erika Voaklander	Brett House	Mauriene Tolentino
		(regrets)
Treasurer: Zoe Robinson	Natalie Miller	
Ex-Officio: Councillor Chris Moise (absent)		

The 519

Executive Director	Maura Lawless
Director, Finance	Maria Martinez
Director, Advocacy and Strategic Communications	Curran Stikuts
Director, Philanthropy	Aniska Ali
Director, Public Interest & Legal Initiatives	Johanna Macdonald
Director, Strategic Partnership Initiatives	Jaymie Sampa
Manager, Strategic & Executive Planning (minutes)	Laura Gibbon

Guest(s): N/A

Item	Minutes		
1	Welcome and Introductions Paul Saguil opened the meeting at 6:35 PM, welcomed everyone, delivered the land acknowledgement.		
2	Approve Agenda Paul Saguil requested the Board to review the agenda for the Board Meeting of May 29, 2023.		
	MOTION 2.1: To approve the agenda for the Board Meeting of May 29, 2023.		
	Moved by: Zoe Robinson Seconded by: Brett House		
	That the Board of Management approve the agenda for the Board Meeting of May 29, 2023.		
	Recorded vote: Unanimous Aaron Hewitt Brett House Pam Hrick Natalie Miller Min Oh Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo		



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Zoe Robinson Paul Saguil Tom Spence Erika Voaklander

Decision carried

3 Approve Meeting Minutes

Paul Saguil requested the Board to review the minutes for the Board Meeting of April 24, 2023.

MOTION 3.1: To approve the minutes for the Board Meeting of April 24, 2023.

Moved by: Erika Voaklander **Seconded by:** Pam Hrick

That the Board of Management approve the minutes for the Board Meeting April 24, 2023.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

Aaron Hewitt Brett House Pam Hrick Natalie Miller Min Oh

Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

Zoe Robinson Paul Saguil Tom Spence Erika Voaklander

Decision carried

4 Declaration of Conflict of Interest(s)

Paul Saguil confirmed no conflicts of interest were declared.

Staff Presentations – Sharn Peters (Manager, Child and Family Programs)

- Staff shared a video prepared by the EarlyON team.
- The Board thanked staff for their work in preparing the video and inquired about opportunities for using similar tools to promote the work and impact of various programs and services at The 519. The Board also shared that amidst rising global anti-queer and anti-trans sentiments and violence, the work The 519 does with families serves as a lovely counter-balance.

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



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6.1 Chair's Report

- Paul Saguil and Maura Lawless met with Councillor Chris Moise on May 23, 2023, to discuss the bylaw review and proposed amendments. The Councillor had some questions and suggestions which were forwarded to the bylaw review committee.
- Paul and Maura let the Councillor know about The 519's intention to depute at the upcoming Board of Health meeting regarding Toronto Urban Health Fund's decision to discontinue funding for the Trans People of Colour (TPOC) project.
- Paul recently attended the 2-Spirits People of the First Nations powwow hosted in partnership with Pride Toronto and congratulated the two organizations for a successful event.
- Paul encouraged Board members to attend Pride month events and flag raisings where possible.
- Paul congratulated staff for their work on the annual report.

7 **Executive Director Report** – Maura Lawless (Executive Director)

No report – other items below

8 FPC Committee Updates – Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo (Chair, FPC) & Aniska Ali (Director, Philanthropy)

8.1 FPC Meeting Update

- Juan Camilo reviewed the summary for the May 9, 2023, meeting and provided highlights from the 2022 (non-GSF) Fundraising Overview, 2022 End of Year Campaign Report and 2023 Goals & Strategy.
- Staff are still working on finalizing numbers from the 2023 Gala.
- Green Space Festival (GSF) planning is well underway, Club519 sales are going very well. Curran will be in touch with Board members shortly with details on passes. Board members were encouraged to circulate GSF promotional materials within their networks.
- The Board discussed the intention to donate Starry Night donation revenue to two Indigenous-led organizations as was done in past years, pending confirmation from those two organizations. Staff estimate roughly \$10k will be donated this year.
- The Board thanked staff, specifically Aniska and Curran, for their work on these fundraising events.
- Staff will follow up with Board members about United Way Speaking Series including new speaking notes and guidance where helpful.



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MOTION 8.1a: To authorize The 519 to donate a portion of the Starry Night donations to two partner 2SLGBTQ+ Indigenous-led organizations to support aligned charitable work in recognition of National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21, 2023.

Moved by: Zoe Robinson

Seconded by: Erika Voaklander

That the Board of Management authorize The 519 to donate a portion of the Starry Night donations to two partner 2SLGBTQ+ Indigenous-led organizations to support aligned charitable work in recognition of National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21, 2023.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

Aaron Hewitt
Brett House
Pam Hrick
Natalie Miller
Min Oh
Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo
Zoe Robinson
Paul Saguil
Tom Spence
Erika Voaklander

Decision carried

MOTION 8.1b: To thank Salah Bachir and Committee organizers for their support and contribution to making the Gala a success and for their support of the work of The 519.

Moved by: Paul Saguil Seconded by: Tom Spence

That the Board of Management thank Salah Bachir and Committee organizers for their support and contribution to making the Gala a success and for their support of the work of The 519.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

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Paul Saguil



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Tom Spence Erika Voaklander

Decision carried

9 SPP Committee Updates – Tom Spence (Chair, SPP) & Curran Stikuts (Director, Advocacy and Strategic Communications)

9.1 SPP Meeting Update

 Tom provided an overview of the meeting summary, including highlights from the space use policy review, new funding applications, Pride programming and advocacy efforts, and the Barbara Hall Park renovation.

9.2 TUHF Update

- The 519 was not successful in its application for extending the funding for the Trans People of Colour (TPOC) project through Toronto Urban Health Fund (TUHF). The stated rationale was due to the fact that the funding committee believed the initiative had evolved into a program, whereas the funding is for projects only. There is no appeals process.
- Staff have communicated their grave concern with this decision, its impact on trans and non-binary communities of colour, the lack of alternative sources of funding for similar initiatives, and the lack of similar initiatives offered through other organizations.
- Staff have confirmed funding needed to continue to run TPOC until end of August 2023, and are committed to finding a way to fund the project into the future.
- Staff have informed the Councillor that there is an intention to depute at the upcoming Board of Health meeting and the desire to find alternative ongoing funding for this project.
- Zoe Robinson and Paul Saguil agreed to depute.

MOTION 9.2: To approve the deputation at Board of Health meeting.

Moved by: Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

Seconded by: Brett House

That the Board of Management approve the deputation at Board of Health meeting.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

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Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo Zoe Robinson Paul Saguil Tom Spence Erika Voaklander

Decision carried

9.3 Pride Calendar

- The Pride Calendar was shared as part of the meeting package. Paul encouraged members to attend as many events as possible.
- The Board discussed the rise in anti-trans violence and The 519's plans for increasing security at GSF and for highlighting this fact via various advocacy and campaign efforts throughout the month of June and beyond.
- **GHRC Committee Updates** Erika Voaklander (Vice-Chair, GHRC) & Maura Lawless (Executive Director)

10.1 GHRC Meeting Update

• Erika provided an update on the last GHRC meeting.

10.2 Bylaw Review Process Update

- The public information meeting on May 8 went well. The bylaw review committee has reviewed the last changes and will bring recommendations to the board in June.
- The Board determined that we should allow 30 days for the public to review the proposed changes and provide feedback. Staff will send a notice of changes to all existing catchment members. The information will also be posted on the website. Any feedback should be sent to secretariat@the519.org for consolidation. Staff will respond, and the committee will determine how to treat any material feedback that is received. The final version of changes will then come to the August board meeting for approval and recommendation at the AGM.

10.3 2023 Recruitment Priorities

MOTION 10.3: To approve the 2023 Recruitment Priorities

Moved by: Pam Hrick

Seconded by: Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

That the Board of Management approve the 2023 Recruitment Priorities.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

Aaron Hewitt Brett House Pam Hrick



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Natalie Miller Min Oh Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo Zoe Robinson Paul Saguil

Tom Spence

Erika Voaklander

Decision carried

10.4 2023 AGM Timeline

• In order to carry out the steps listed above related to public feedback on the proposed bylaw changes and adhere to existing bylaw timelines, staff are proposing an adjusted AGM timeline in alignment with scenario #2 as outlined in the Pathways to Feedback and Approval document. This new timeline requires the August Board meeting to be rescheduled to earlier in the month.

MOTION 10.4a: To approve the 2023 AGM Timeline

Moved by: Min Oh

Seconded by: Pam Hrick

That the Board of Management approve the 2023 AGM Timeline.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

Aaron Hewitt Brett House Pam Hrick Natalie Miller Min Oh

Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

Zoe Robinson
Paul Saguil
Tom Spence
Erika Voaklander

Decision carried

MOTION 10.4b: To approve the rescheduling of the August 2023 Board meeting to a virtual Board meeting on August 1, 2023, in alignment with Scenario #2.

Moved by: Paul Saguil Seconded by: Brett House



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That the Board of Management approve the rescheduling of the August 2023 Board meeting to a virtual Board meeting on August 1, 2023, in alignment with Scenario #2.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

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Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

Zoe Robinson Paul Saguil Tom Spence Erika Voaklander

Decision carried

10.5 2022 Health & Safety Compliance Report

- Erika and Maura reviewed the 2022 Health and Safety Compliance Report.
- The Board requested adding a footnote to explain that timing and availability of training has an impact on training completion rates.

IN-CAMERA ITEMS

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MOTION 11.1a: To go in camera.

Moved by: Pam Hrick

Seconded by: Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

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 Erika Voaklander

Decision carried



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10.5 2022 Health & Safety Injury Report (in-camera)

11.1 In-Camera Minutes for Board Meeting April 24, 2023

MOTION 11.1b: To come out of camera.

Moved by: Pam Hrick

Seconded by: Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

That the Board of Management come out of camera.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

Aaron Hewitt Brett House Pam Hrick Natalie Miller Min Oh

Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

Zoe Robinson Paul Saguil Tom Spence Erika Voaklander

Decision carried

MOTION 10.5: To receive the 2022 Health & Safety Compliance Report

Moved by: Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

Seconded by: Aaron Hewitt

That the Board of Management receive the 2022 Health & Safety Compliance Report.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

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Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

Zoe Robinson Paul Saguil Tom Spence Erika Voaklander

Decision carried



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MOTION 11.1: To approve the in-camera minutes for the Board Meeting of April 24, 2023.

Moved by: Pam Hrick Seconded by: Tom Spence

That the Board of Management approve the in-camera minutes for the Board Meeting April 24, 2023.

Recorded vote: Unanimous

Aaron Hewitt Brett House Pam Hrick Natalie Miller Min Oh

Juan Camilo Rendon Ocampo

Zoe Robinson Paul Saguil Tom Spence Erika Voaklander

Decision carried

12 Other Business / Emerging Issues

N/A

13 Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

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 May 29, 2023	
3	3.1	Minutes for Board Meeting of April 24, 2023	
8	8.1	FPC Meeting Summary Report: May 9, 2023	
9	9.1	SPP Meeting Summary Report: May 16, 2023	
	9.2	TUHF Report	
	9.3	Pride Calendar	



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10		GHRC Meeting Summary Report: May 10, 2023 2023 Recruitment Priorities 2023 AGM Timeline Pathways to Feedback and Approval 2022 Health & Safety Compliance Report 2022 Health & Safety Injury Report (in-camera)
11	11.1	In-Camera Minutes for Board Meeting of April 24, 2023