



BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

of The 519 Church Street Community Centre

MEETING MINUTES

for the meeting held on April 26, 2011

Meeting Attendance

Board Members and Staff

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

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

Visitors and Guests

Larry Nevard

Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome

Pascal welcomed everyone to the meeting as acting-Chair in Natasha's absence. Don introduced Larry who was attending as a guest. Larry is a member of The 519 and is actively involved in the Primetimers organization.

2. Approval of agenda

MOVED BY Rudy Ticzon
SECONDED BY Don Middleton
THAT the Agenda be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

3. Approval of minutes

MOVED BY Scott Bomhof
SECONDED BY Tyler Fleming
THAT the minutes of the meeting held March 28, 2011 be approved as circulated.
CARRIED

4. Declaration of conflicts of interest

None were declared.

5. Agency Business

An item of agency business would be covered under the Resource Development Committee report.

6. ED Report

The Executive Director had nothing to report which would not be covered in other committee or Board reports.

7. Human Resources Committee Report

The Human Resources Committee had not met in the time since the last Board meeting.

8. Finance Committee Report

In Anthony's absence, the monthly financial statement was presented by Rick McCarty as circulated. Rick noted that we are currently tracking more favourably than budgeted and that things are currently looking positive.

In response to a previous request from the Board, Maura and Rick presented an updated financial picture on The 519's social enterprise FABARNAK. A financial report was circulated and a more detailed review was undertaken by the Finance Committee in response to the Board's request. Staff noted that sales are trending up and that the program is moving closer to projections and catering is already exceeding expectations. It was noted that salary is the largest cost for the enterprise, with food cost being maintained at a 30-35% level. The 519 is contributing to the cost of the employment training positions through fundraising. Staff noted that similar reports will be circulated quarterly.

9. Strategic and Program Planning

The Strategic and Program Planning Committee had not met in the time since the last Board meeting. Pascal reminded the Board of the Proud of Toronto campaign and its work to support City funding for Pride Toronto. Board members were encouraged to attend meetings and events related to Proud of Toronto so that the Board could continue to be connected and aware of the emerging issues in relation to funding for Pride.

10. Advocacy Committee

The Advocacy Committee had not met in the time since the last Board meeting.

It was raised that there is an increased interest in the issue of GSAs within the community and that many Catholic school boards are not permitting GSAs at their schools. Staff noted that the organization has been receiving many requests to engage on this issue.

Board Members acknowledged the importance of this issue but recognize that it is not a core advocacy issue for the organization and that engaging could consume significant organizational resources. Natasha has been attending meetings related to this issue. The Board asked that it be determined how exactly The 519 can be involved and that the Advocacy Committee consider how we move forward.

11. Resource Development Committee

The Resource Development Committee had not met since the last meeting and it was noted that they would likely meet only once more before July and then return to a regular schedule beginning in August.

Staff reported that Gala and Pride planning were well underway and reminded Board members of the need to sell remaining tickets for the Gala. Staff circulated a list of key dates coming up on The 519's calendar including the Gala, Program events for Pride and others. Board members were also reminded to submit their invitation lists for Starry Night if they had not already done so.

Staff requested approval to apply for a grant from the City of Toronto (deferred from Agency Business)

MOVED BY Tyler Fleming

SECONDED BY Michael von Teichman

THAT the Board approve in principle the proposed application to the City of Toronto's Housing and Homelessness Supports and Initiatives' Health and Safety Fund for up to \$10,000 targeted for renovations and improvements to kitchen facilities at The Centre which will address existing food storage and safety issues.

CARRIED

12. Emerging Issues

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

13. Adjournment

MOVED BY Rudy Ticzon

SECONDED BY Tyler Fleming

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED