

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

of The 519 Church Street Community Centre

MEETING MINUTES

for the meeting held on May 27, 2013 2012-2013 Meeting # 8

Meeting Attendance

Board Members and Staff

Pascal Dessureault, Kerry Bell, Scott Bomhof (6:40 PM), Tyler Fleming, Margo Foster, Angeline Ico, Luc Levasseur, Julia Lo, Stephen Menon, John Thornton (by phone), Rudy Ticzon.

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

Visitors and Guests

Matthieu Chantelois

Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome

Pascal, the Chair, opened the meeting at 6:35 PM.

2. Approval of agenda

MOVED BY Margo Foster SECONDED BY Luc Levasseur THAT the Agenda be adopted. CARRIED

3. Visitors

Mathieu Chantelois, Chair, Green Space Toronto

4. Approval of minutes

MOVED BY Kerry Bell SECONDED BY Julia Lo

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THAT the minutes of the meeting held April 29, 2013 be approved. **CARRIED**

5. Declaration of conflicts of interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

6. Green Space Briefing – Mathieu Chantelois

Pascal welcomed Mathieu Chantelois, Chair of Green Space, to the meeting.

Mathieu reported that Pride is in exactly one month. Starry Night is on the 27th of June. This is our sixth year for Starry Night and this is the most exciting yet. The Board invented this event 6 years ago and the Board should continue to own the night. At 6:30 PM there will be a VIP reception with guest list at the door. People will have to RSVP in order to attend.

The theme this year is "Love is in the Hair" so everyone - wear your best wig or facial hair. Embrace your hair! Twenty-five drag queens will be invited to the reception to just circulate, and there will be a hairdressing corner to tease your hair and add feathers.

All board members to arrive at 6:30. At 8 PM we all go to the park. There will be over twenty drag queens competing that night it is going to be amazing. The event is open to midnight.

All Board members should promote this event and the park on their facebook.

Board members will get two wristbands to get into the park for the rest of the weekend. You can pick up your wristbands at the front desk when they are ready.

We have found some new sponsors and have already raised funds for this year. Reporters will be receiving wigs with their press release. All three provincial party leaders will be at Starry Night. There won't be a lot of time for speeches, but we will give them an opportunity.

7. Agency Business

There are no grant applications to approve this month.

8. Chair and Executive Committee Report – Pascal reported

We have just met and the report will be included in the ED Report

9. Executive Director's Report – Maura reported

Additional Pride Related Events

In your package you have a list of upcoming pride-related events, as we do a number of community based events in addition to the fundraising evenings like Starry Night. Matt has highlighted how each event is special. Board members are encouraged to attend

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events that interest them as a way of interacting with the membership and the community. Contact staff lead staff person in advance so they will know that you are going to be attending. They can then make sure that you are introduced to key people at the event.

Rudy invited Board members and staff of The 519 to the Law Society's annual Pride Week event which features a panel discussion on international human rights and a Pride reception in historic Osgoode Hall. The event is June 25 from 4-8 PM. The flyer with registration information will be emailed to the Board.

State of the Village Study

- 150 people attended the visioning event here on May 14.
- 1485 survey respondents
- Over 100 strategic advisor interviews
- 50-60 people attended the Jane's walk with Jane Farrow on the weekend.
- We are receiving very positive feedback within the community regarding the study.

There will be displays over Pride at The 519. Staff will be present to animate it. We want to have thousands of people involved in the planning for the future of the village

10. Human Resources Policy Committee

No report. The next meeting will be postponed.

11. Strategic and Program Planning

No report

12. Finance Committee – reported

No report – there will be a detailed report at the June Board meeting There will be a report on June in the middle of July, even though we don't meet then.

13. Resource Development Committee

As you know, we were not successful in hiring a Manager of Development.

The Resource Development Committee approved the hiring of Cathy Mann, (who is a fundraising consultant), to help us examine the position and make recommendations on how to shape the focus of the position. She has conducted a mini audit of The 519's fundraising processes and will be reporting back to the committee. At a high level she identified that we are good at entrepreneurial fundraising but are not as successful at traditional philanthropy.

At the level we are able to pay the position we aren't going to find someone who has 20-30 years of experience. We will be converting the Director of Development and Community Engagement to the Director, Strategic Initiatives and Community Partnerships with a focus on World Pride, Pan Am 2015, Sport and Recreation and Community Relations.

We will hire a Director, Development who will report directly to the Executive Director but will not have overall community engagement responsibilities. Cathy has also been contracted to assist us in the search process.

Approval of In Camera Minutes

MOVED BY Rudy Ticzon SECONDED BY Julia Lo TO approve the confidential minutes of the In Camera session held on April 29, 2013, with the amendment to the spelling of Scott Bomhof's name. CARRIED – Scott Bomhof abstained.

14. Correspondence

We received a letter from a Community Member thanking the Board for addressing his complaint.

15. Emerging Issues

All emerging issues were addressed earlier in the agenda.

16. Other Business

No additional business items were brought forward.

17. Adjournment

MOVED BY Tyler Fleming SECONDED BY Angeline Ico THAT the meeting be adjourned CARRIED

18. Next Board Meeting

The next regular Board meeting will take place on Monday, June 10 at 6:30 PM in room 100.