

The Hamptons Community League

January 22, 2015

Board Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

- 1) Natalie Szekely – present
- 2) Kat Parry - present
- 3) Arlene Thomsen – present
- 4) Jamie Peers – present
- 5) Ashley Blanchette – absent
- 6) James Magilton – excused
- 7) Lynda Sherman – excused
- 8) Jason Murray – excused
- 9) Phil Odegard – present
- 10) Oupkar Phul – absent
- 11) Miranda Jimmy – present
- 12) Janelle Beblow – present
- 13) Wanda Nistor - excused

Natalie called to order at 7:10 pm

Additions to agenda:

- 1) Vice President position

Janelle motioned, Jamie seconded, motion carried to approve agenda with addition

No guests

Error in previous minutes identified – item #2 in communication report lists Wanda and should be Miranda – Jamie motioned to approve minutes as amended, Janelle seconded, motion carried to approve minutes as amended.

Report from Ruth Wong-Miller presented by Natalie – green shack will be run at the blue park again this summer and a request for the “pop-up play” program has also been submitted for other times when the green shack is not here. Jamie asked if we could specify when the “pop-up play” program took place in order not to conflict with our summer programs. Natalie will contact Ruth for clarification. Jamie and Ashley were invited to a networking event and will report back to us once attended.

a) Communications – Janelle

- 1) Digital Content Policy discussion – Miranda suggested formatting change and voiced concern we have not outlined a sponsorship policy as of yet which may cause problems or confusion regarding different dollar amounts and or levels. Miranda also asked if we wanted to consider adding Twitter as a means of communication and Janelle wanted to give it some thought. Miranda offered her assistance with that portion of the communication portfolio and Janelle said she would let her know. Janelle will make the amendments to the document as discussed and if there is any additional feedback, please send it to her by the end of January. The revised copy will be brought to our next meeting for approval.
 - a) Babysitter Meet and Greet – Janelle has asked we re-consider hosting a second event (report attached), Miranda motioned to alter our decision to hold a second Babysitter Meet and Greet and defer decision to our board retreat, Phil seconded, Janelle nay, motion carried.
 - b) Janelle motioned to be reimbursed for \$59.41 for purchases prior to the implementation of our December expense policy, Jamie seconded, motion carried.
- b) Neighborhood Watch Director – Phil
 - 1) The Constable will not return Phil’s phone calls, so he will request the contact information for a different Constable in order to have some connection with law enforcement for our neighborhood.
- c) Sports Director - Jamie
 - 1) Active After School – started slowly, met with Janelle and Lynda over the holidays, now there are over 40 kids in the program, had to cancel the Junior High program due to low enrollment. Jamie is having great difficulty contacting the City regarding booking the gym. Currently the bill for this term is \$70.00.
 - 2) Basketball program – this is the 3rd year this program has been offered, and is the only spring basketball program available for **anyone to participate** as it is not exclusive. A discussion took place whether Jamie’s company runs with the program on its own or whether we as The Hamptons Community League are involved. We discussed possible conflict of interest issues. Phil motioned The Hamptons Community League endorse Spring Basketball Program run by Networks Basketball of which Jamie Peers is an employee, Kat seconded, Jamie abstained, Miranda nay, motion carried.
 - 3) Soccer – Jamie discussed handout regarding the soccer program and Lynda, Phil and possibly Ashley have agreed to assist Jamie with the program. Glastonbury soccer registration starts February 10th, so we would ideally like to start promotion of our program by February 6th. Arlene motioned we move forward with Jamie’s soccer skill program that will compliment Glastonbury’s soccer program, Janelle seconded, motion carried.
- d) Social Director – Oupkar
 - 1) Oupkar would like to speak with Bessie Nichols regarding utilizing their gym for a craft fair – board agreed, however required more details regarding the event.
- e) Secretary – Arlene
 - 1) Our meeting dates have now been set alternately between the 4th Wednesdays and 4th Thursdays of each month to allow everyone to attend at least every second meeting. This was the “fairest” way we could do it.

f) Treasurer – Kat

- 1) Kat is currently working on the budget – Natalie will provide her with a copy of another community league's budget as an example

g) Member at Large – Miranda

- 1) Miranda met with Ruth Wong-Miller regarding our Board Retreat and what the agenda might contain – roles and responsibilities, short term planning, but no long term planning, pre-work to be sent out in the next couple of weeks. Retreat will be held at the new Callingwood/Lymburn Hall.
- 2) Miranda motioned she be reimbursed \$50.00 for the hall rental/insurance costs for the Board retreat, Jamie seconded, motion carried.
- 3) Miranda met with Jason, the President of the Glastonbury Community League, regarding having a joint meeting with the two Community Leagues – both sides good to go ahead, Presidents and Vice Presidents of both Leagues to attend and other Board Members are invited to attend. Amanda from EFCL will facilitate the meeting. Purpose of meeting is to find ways for both Community Leagues to work together.

h) President – Natalie

- 1) Winter Carnival has been moved to March 14th due to the equipment from the City of Edmonton not being available until that date. Janelle volunteered to join the sub-committee. Natalie has sent e mails to local businesses for sponsorships (Save-on-Foods, etc). Janelle motioned she rent a roadside sign to promote the Winter Carnival at a cost of no more than \$200.00, Miranda seconded, motion carried.
- 2) Miranda has expressed interest in the Vice President position. She provided some background information including her history working in the not for profit sector. Jamie then nominated Miranda for the position of Vice President, Phil seconded the nomination, vote was unanimous.
- 3) Natalie received the SAGE awards nomination form, Janelle will post on our facebook page.
- 4) Our postal box renewal is due – Jamie motioned we pay the \$157.50 annual fee for the postal box, Janelle seconded, motion carried.
- 5) Natalie and Kat are to complete the Society annual return and then the Board members will sign at the next meeting.

Natalie adjourned the meeting at 10:05pm