

**Rio Terrace Community League executive board meeting  
June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Rio Terrace Community League Hall**

**In attendance:**

**Aman Athwal, Giselle General, Tony Andrzejewski, Daniel Mallett, Auriana Burns, Erin Waye, Brett Myers, Emma Woolner (recording), Chase Gingles (CRC), Steve Deck (volunteer), Kimberly, Kelly Picard (7:41pm), Lance Burns (7:43pm)**

**With regrets: Gary Burton, Josh Bowen, Jen Osmond, Carrie Anne Doucette, James Lavoy, Lorne Dach (MLA),**

**Meeting minutes**

**Meeting called to order at 7:05pm**

**1) Approval of Agenda**

**Motion to approve** by Dan; seconded by Aman; unanimously approved, carried

**2) Approval of May 2017 Minutes**

**Motion to approve** by Sam; seconded by Emma; unanimously approved, carried  
Tony

**3) Approval of financial reports (April and May)**

Additional information: soccer revenue is outweighed by expenses. Dan will talk to Perry. Hall rental is lower than expectations. It is month end, so he will check on it.

**Motion to accept the April financial reports as information** by Dan; seconded by Sam; unanimously approved, carried

**Motion to accept the May financial reports as information** by Dan; seconded by Sam; unanimously approved, carried

**4) Items for discussion**

▪ **Old business**

1. Hall organization subcommittee: Carrie Anne (if she's still interested), Auriana, Sam, Gisele, Emma. First we need to define the scope.
2. Social director/committee – update: Steve was in contact with Lance about volunteering. He is attending in order to get more information.
  - a. Online site for cloud storage of CL docs and email addresses: Email addresses are activated and sent to Lance. We just need to distribute them.
  - b. Bike parade – completed: update: Sunday. Attendance was lower than past years (~30ppl). Decorations for bikes went much better (volunteers with bags handing out supplies to ration). Decent photos were taken. Lance led the parade. It went smoothly. Notes were taken for future bike parades such that the planning part will be less work.
  - c. Canada 150 project – completed: update: Lance, Kelly and Gisele attended. There weren't as many volunteers as they had hoped for. The HillCrest apartment complex was the target audience. Talked about benefits about CL membership. Encouraged to participate in activities and go to website. Invited to his summer

- party. Many of the people that were spoken with did not know the benefits of the community league (some didn't even know what a CL was). It lasted for 2 hours. It is thought best to have a larger team for next time to cover more area.
- d. Art mural project – Pat Heights school – completed: update: Gisele: went well. Go check it out. The paintings are all different and beautiful. Gary was adorable. Themes behind the circles – connecting art. Each circle is different and then they will have a common background. Auriana: Bobby Mock did a mural at city hall. He took 3 panels and recreated it. The school arranged for some media coverage. Pat Heights school had 50<sup>th</sup> birthday. ~75 people came on Saturday afternoon with >100 total on both days. Contact Lance if you would like to paint a panel. The coating will be done later this summer and that will be the hard dead line, but we do not know exactly when. More details to come. Made a difference in the neighborhood.
  - e. Summer party – Gisele: Aug 20<sup>th</sup>, VOLUNTEERS needed: planning is ongoing with some details need to be sorted. 4-9pm. So far for food we have the church serving ice cream and popcorn with Lorne. More options for food include food trucks, Sonic free hotdogs. For activities, we have a face painter, band, tents, bouncy castle (possibly free, Carrie Anne is looking into it), city games, dunk tank (invited 5 of 6, 2 candidates have confirmed, similar time in tank as last year (45min). If candidates are not making themselves available, Giselle shouldn't work to contact them. Political candidates: can they campaign at the event? What's an equivalent activity if they don't want to go in the dunk tank? Lance: They can volunteer and wear name tags, but if they skirt those rules, they will not be invited to the forum.  
-Lance will craft a letter, put it to Gisele, and then send it out. If this is the case, the candidates that are booked may not want to if they hear this. Erin has some ideas for alternative people for the tank.
  - f. Energy saving discussion – Brett: sourced out full external funding for 10 energy conservation measure (basic measures: everything utilities related) and solar panels. 50% city, 50% province. 4 grants (CLIP – confirmation this week, 2 energy efficiency grants – confirmation in November, 1 culture and tourism grant). \$160,000. All pending.

**Motion to authorize E subcommittee to approve and tender subcontractors for the E project contingent on 100% external funding** by Dan; seconded by Erin; unanimously approved, carried

- g. Bylaw discussion: Josh is not here. Tony: a few changes. 2 people provided feedback: article 6.1 and article 9.8 concerning the financial audit – word changes to benefit us. There has been an objection that the financial information of the preschool stated in the CL statements. Note on the audited statement that the preschool is a program, but financial records are not provided in our records. A CL member can request a copy of the preschool finances. When there is a good treasurer, everything is fine. There has been a push to modernize the system and put it online. The last audited statement goes into our financial reports (last page), but it is 10 months out of date (as their year end is different). For the most part, this is not a problem, but there could be in the future.

Signing authority was given to the preschool. The special general meeting is on August 2<sup>nd</sup> 7pm. We will look to approve the amended bylaws at the July meeting.

- h. Hall dates - Carrie Anne: update: no one in attendance to report
- i. Tot time toys: no update
- j. Mice infestation: update: none were found. They found some of the missing traps. The mice are gone. We need the doors to have our doors fitted with weather stripping to prevent such an infestation in the future. The company comes out monthly now to monitor the traps. Originally the teacher and preschool board president were charged with emptying them. Behind appliances needed to be cleaned because there were nests. Carmen did all this. Gary will be contacted (about the weather stripping). Brett can help.

- **New business**

- 1. Running in Rio – Sam: no date yet (it is selected by the running room), but likely will be in October (hoping for early Oct). Will have it in the next couple of days. Last year we had some sponsors. Eileen has connections. ~ budget is \$1518. Advertising postcards, loot bag (items with CL logo on it). Cost \$2000, \$600 registration Drew different people – mix it up from family events.

**MOTION to increase the budget for Running in Rio up to \$2000.** Seconded by Auriana. Carried.

- 2. Community Candidate's Forum for Municipal Election: October 1<sup>st</sup> 2-5pm. Kelly will get in touch with candidates to let them know what to anticipate. Submit questions in writing. Rules of order found online. Questions on the floor that is moderated. Coffee and cookies.

- **Tabled business (not to be discussed at the meeting)**

- 1. 'Being Part of the RTCL Board 101'

## 5) Reports

- CRC – Chase: not a lot happening. Reminders: green shack start next week 10-1:30. Block party funding available. Contact Chase. Walking maps – go over for 20 mins and talk about changes such as both major and minor amenities. Routes will not be changed. Reprint is in order (expect it in the fall or next summer). Oleskiw park had an open house. They stated that there would be no vehicular access or parking lots. There is a footbridge connecting it to Terwilligar. There was an engagement last fall. As it was used as nature reserve, the city is not looking to put in anything major amenities, just garbage cans, benches, washrooms. Access is a problem. Oleskiw park master plan – online comments are open until July 14<sup>th</sup>. Hoping for another engagement after the election. Tomorrow is the LRT engagement 6:30-8 (170st-87Ave. Eldergrove CL. Outdoor pools are free starting July 1<sup>st</sup>
- President – Lance: mural- good. Alana (a CL member) did beautiful work and was offered a contract to do the background connections with the balls. Our circle design will be a template for murals going forward (Kerry

Steil in charge of capital city clean up). We can apply for another grant next year and do more with it. He still has a lot of paint.

Walked with Lorne (150 door-knocking project) and lots of people didn't know about the CL. He suggests a red hat membership drive as we need to blanket every house.

Donna (CRC colleague) diff successful applications for grants can this be made available for us. Community spirit.

- Vice President – Aman: our casino is in august. Casino advisor hired. 8 volunteer positions remain. Preschool has committed to filling 7 positions at the casino. Lance to send note to CL.
- Membership – Erin: not much to report. Soccer was the last big event. No update on Mac's: left note for owner Rama. Big bin is a big event. New memberships have been ordered. Question: can we tier the memberships costs or have the ability to earn your membership. Vista print – value of membership other side summer party. Emma to email Carrie Anne to ask her to make something.
- Programs & Social – Kelly: approached by senior tech group. They were asking about using the hall for some programming. She was also approached by groups/individuals that want to do some art programming and a doula class. Lance: Alana wants to run an art class based on emotions (talk about the psychology of it) in the fall over 3 months. Alan Miln – rural minimalist trying to convince him to do a program. Kelly was wondering about a pricing schedule for programs/desired programming etc. Community programs don't get charged for the hall. But there is discussion as to whether someone should benefit financially when we are providing the space for free. Alternatively, we could take a %. And with all other rentals, we would charge for space. Chase will help her set up a checklist for new contacts to screen for deserving programs.
- Maintenance – Gary: no one in attendance to report. Dan would like to pull the weeds around the rink – Erin and Aman will help.
- Hall Rental – Carrie Anne: no one in attendance to report.
- Preschool – Auriana: became full in March with waiting lists. They are anticipating a carry over for next year of \$20,000. The teacher and assistant are remaining. They are planning on replacing the carpet. The teachers will develop a long term plan to maintain space.
- Soccer – Perry: no one in attendance to report
- Newsletter – Giselle: May issue. Invoicing is still ongoing. Process is easy. New contributors are welcome. Jane would like to do another article. A response article to infill was submitted, but there were some adhomynym sentences. Waiting on response. Hard deadline is July 28<sup>th</sup>. To do: Sam – Running in Rio, Kelly: summer social, bike parade, mural, election, Halloween (Oct 29<sup>th</sup>); Tony– AGM, big bin (Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>? check with Carrie Anne); Auriana: spray deck  
Sept 16<sup>th</sup> – CL day. SIGNUP.com

**Meeting adjourned at 9:23pm**

**Next meeting is July at 7pm**