

**Rio Terrace Community League Executive Board Meeting
May 25, 2016
Rio Terrace Community League Hall**

Present: Lance Burns, Gary Burton, Lisa McColl, Auriana Burns, Tony Andrzejewski, Dan Mallet, Kathy Malkin (preschool), Samantha Gullekson, Perry Wynn, Emma Woolner (recording)

1) Approval of Agenda

- Motion to approve the minutes by Tony, seconded by Dan, carried.

2) Team Building Activity: cancelled

3) Financial Report: no written report was presented but was later circulated via email on June 16th (See Attachment 1). Dan has reconciled the spray park account. Getting CRA access has been difficult. He hasn't looked into preschool cash flow yet.

4) Items for Discussion

▪ **Old Business**

- i. Spray deck committee update: The committee is planning a summer party and silent auction for August 27th. The committee will plan the auction but is debating other things (such as food trucks) and wanted to know if the board would help with organizing and with costs under social programs budget. Other ideas being discussed are a live band, bouncy house, games, beer garden, games, and bubble station. Lance, Tony and Gary might have a lead on bands available. Jessica is looking into licensing. Lisa indicated that the beer garden needs to be fenced off and no alcohol can leave the fenced area.
- ii. Suggestion to pay the preschool teachers for childcare (Kathy will bring this to the teachers)
- iii. Dan – has friend with liquor store... can look into getting stuff for cost for beer gardens.
- iv. Sam will talk with programs and social about budget and volunteer help.

▪ **New Business**

- i. Summer Board Meetings – Sam & Tony: keeps the ball rolling. We need one in July for the summer party and in August for the AGM. It was decided to keep summer board meetings for 2016.
- ii. Pat Heights corner store: Lisa gave us an update (see CRC report section).

5) Reports

- **CRC:**
 - i. Breathe – Edmonton’s green network strategy: information sessions as per Lisa’s email sent out in May. Greening the league: programs and workshops, incl. grant application (through EFCL). Gary is interested in going, Lance will go with someone if he’s in town. Dan is interested too.
 - ii. Community programs leaders training workshop – refer to CRC report (Attachment 2).
 - iii. Lewis farms facility and park design drawings and park: we can share input, city will take it and use feedback.
 - iv. Community picnic and fun play day: goal for kids to have unstructured play time – refer to CRC Report (live action video game, make your own obstacle course, build your own instrument, sand box, etc.).
 - v. Corner Store: Pat Heights has been selected/identified for corner store revitalization. The city works with property/business owners. Providing services, updating facades, etc. The city would like input from the community. The city would like to have community needs identified. Do we need bike racks? Etc.
- **President:**
 - i. Infill: apologies for not sending out letter. 2 responses: why do we have a membership?
 - ii. Seniors programming: People have ideas but they feel as though they have no way of implementing them. We need to get the message out better to this group. How? Doorknockers? We usually get a good response from them. Seniors Position on the board? Lots of talk of pickle ball...
 - iii. Ball hockey World Record Attempt: did not go as planned, canceled due to weather on Friday (3 torn MCLs and some hyperthermia, some of the lights malfunctioned). Someone from Auriana’s school came in to replace 6 of the lights for \$900. Two more of the lights are due to be fixed soon. The ball hockey group treated the hall very well; Lance would like to invite them back for August.
 - iv. Graffiti: Lance and Auriana painted to cover the graffiti. \$300 in costs, 2 gallons of paint. Lance met a guy who does an epoxy and got a quote for the building (\$20,000). Spray paint will wash off. It will cost approximately \$11,00 to get it painted (Lance’s guess). Painting party?
- **Vice President:** no one in attendance to report.
- **Programs & Social:**
 - i. Summer programs: 2 are full, 1 has 2 spots filled and the other has 3 filled (out of 16-20 spots).
 - ii. Portable toilets: Have been delivered. Rio has a different location this year and all are happy with it. Pat Heights toilet will be

watched by Kerry Lynn Kope (school principal) and Lance (who lives nearby).

- iii. Bike parade: Sam - Andy's IGA (142st, 90 ave) need notice, but are friendly. Auriana - McDonalds 149st - corporate & need to go.
- iv. CL swim: (Auriana) - Jasper Place is staying open until November. We will stay with them (instead of Terwillegar) until they close.

▪ **Preschool:**

- i. Finances: breaking even budget-wise with a small amount left in the bank account, fundraisers - will get us the numbers, just over \$15,000. Fundraisers include: Parents night out (June 10th) and Little Caesars pizza kits.
- ii. Activities planned for current kids: Safety City, Father's Day donuts with Dads (June 3rd), adventure bus, year end party June 21st, 10am-1pm (games, face painting, bouncy castle). Lisa will write permit.
- iii. Staff: Teachers assistant is resigning. Committee is interviewing candidates this Friday. Salary review is also underway.
- iv. Registration: 2016-2017 Mornings are full, afternoon 4 year old program is 75% full, therefore inviting older 3 year olds to join this class. Lots of new parents at the general meeting. There is a whole new board that has been elected and is full of people with high energy and great ideas for fundraisers. Bouquets to Kathy and Auriana for all of their hard work.

- **Soccer:** 23 teams: 8 U6, 15 older teams. More late registrations this year. 17 Syrians are playing. Call for drivers to help drive these kids to games. How can we extend on supporting the Syrian kids past soccer? Kerry Lynn Kope is very thankful (personally wants to thank Perry) for all that he has done for these kids and Lance for getting the ball rolling.

- **Membership:** not present, report sent via email.

- **Maintenance:** nothing to report; Gary has been away for 6 weeks. Send him email or text about what needs to get done: bathroom ceiling tiles, T8 lights in hall, small rink boards need to be painted

- **Hall Rental:** no one in attendance to report, brief update sent via email.

- **Newsletter:** no one in attendance to report, brief update sent via email.

- **More Spray Deck fundraisers (Auriana):** Working with Running Room to do a 1km walk for kids, 5km run for adults. Will take place around Halloween. Fundraiser is an entrance fee. Bottle drive happening on June 18th (bring to Callingwood depot or leave on porch... and looking for volunteers to pickup bottles). Gary volunteered- thank you! Game of Thrones - vintage 1960's pink toilet will be moving around community lawns, removed by donation to spray deck. Community league signage would be great to add to the toilet display.

MOTION by Auriana Burns:

I move that the CL spend up to \$1000 for community league flags. Carried.

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Future items to consider: making a priority list of maintenance projects
Smaller tables for events? Sam will look into it.