

Rio Terrace Community League executive board meeting
January 27th, 7pm
DIGITAL meeting: Google meets

In attendance:

Lance Burns, Giselle General, Perry Wynn, Rachelle Roberts, Kristin Bauer, Auriana Burns, with Emma Woolner (recording), Brandon Blanck (7:27pm), NON-VOTING: Stuart York (NRC)

With regrets:

Alex Stefanov, Jen Osmond, Gary Burton, James Lavoy, Tony Andrzejewski; NON-VOTING: Carrie Anne Doucette

Meeting minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm

1) Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve by Auriana; seconded by Emma; unanimously approved, carried

2) Approval of November 2020 Minutes

Motion to approve by Emma; seconded by Perry; unanimously approved, carried

3) Action item follow up from previous meeting

Additional information: most items have been completed.

Action item: Lance to go for a distanced coffee date with Stuart to discuss the sidewalk boardgame.

4) Finance Report

Additional information:

Nov: very little to report because of little going on. Rink attendants and utility payments are pulling money regularly. Insurance was paid (and a big chunk) but they are re-imbursing us for half (however, we don't know when). Big bin was paid for but came in under budget.

Dec: similar to Nov. Little happening. As such, all was as expected. Good membership revenue in Dec (poss. the EFCL \$). Rink attendant fees were up for Dec because it was busy. And very much over budget. The rink attendant budget may be distributed over 12 months. Brandon: may have reduced the numbers due to COVID... He will check.

Motion to accept the November and Dec monthly financial report as information by Brandon; seconded by Perry; unanimously approved, carried.

5) Energy efficiency project report

1. Remaining grant funding: nothing to report.
2. Report of usage: showed us the app and all of the different features. Can we get more usernames/passwords for more people to access? He will look into it.

Action item: Lance to send report of EFCL for green initiatives (requested by Giselle).

Action item: Lance to contact Kuby about getting more usernames/passwords for more people to access.

Action item: Lance to contact Kuby about the television. When the WiFi cuts out, we lose the feed.

6) Items for discussion

- **Preschool report** – Auriana: planning on opening in Sept 2021. Postponed from Feb due to the rise in cases. Accepting reg. right now. On Monday, it opens to the public. Reg fee can be paid online. Website was updated. New feature allowing electronic records. STAFF: They still haven't hired a teacher. Will likely be doing interviews in May. The TA has been posting SeeSaw communications (unpaid). The board is trying to work out a payment for all of the work the teacher's assistant has put in. Ideas being considered: camps to get kids used to the space/staff. Executive: built from scratch as most families are moving on.
- **Soccer report** – Perry: as per distributed report.

Additional info: Stuart: there aren't any grants to help cover the cost of jerseys. In fact, it's gone in the opposite directions.

- **Hall rental report** – Carrie Anne: no one in attendance to report
- **Rio Terrace playground report**

Additional info: \$125,000 fundraised. CFEP grant submitted.

1. PARC restructuring into Rio Terrace Education Society (motion from October may need to be reworded or amended)
2. PARC usage of the RTCLBS

- **Old business**

~~1. Tabled items~~

2. Past events:

- i. Door swags – Emma: highly attended. Had to close registration as the materials ran out. Several people (including Joyce and myself) were a little disappointed that it couldn't be done in person, but everyone ran with it and it ended up being great.
- ii. EFCL 100th anniversary – Giselle: happened on Sat. Changed 1 sign to advertise it. The idea was to take pics by the mural to submit to FB page and newsletter. She attended a virtual event: trivia, speeches, videos, musical performance. Lance was interviewed to speak about the modernization of the CL. The event was well-received and well-attended.

- **New business**

~~1. Upcoming events: ?~~

Action item:

~~7) Reports~~

- NRC report – Stuart: newsletter comes out at the beginning of the month. Will send email with the items he knows will be of interest. doesn't want to send last months as a good chunk will no longer be relevant/expired.
 1. Can meet with Lance on Friday.
 2. Items of interest sent during meeting:

Outdoor Winter Activities: Get Outdoors Safely this Winter!

Neighbourhood Services encourages citizens of Edmonton to get outdoors safely this winter and support neighbours while staying physically distanced. [Click here](#) for winter activity and connection ideas in your home, neighbourhood and across the city.

Winter Neighbourhood Challenge

Neighbourhood Services is encouraging Edmontonians to explore their neighbourhood this winter and stay safely connected while maintaining physical distance and adhering to all [public health measures](#).

A new challenge will be posted online on the 1st and 15th of each month from December 15, 2020 to March 15, 2021. To enter, complete the challenge safely, fill out the online entry form and submit your photo. You will be entered into a random prize draw for each challenge you complete. In addition to submitting your entry you can also share on social media using the #yegneighbouring hashtag. Perhaps the greatest prize is knowing you helped create safe opportunities to support your neighbours!

[Click here](#) for challenge details and the [online entry form!](#)

Christmas Tree Waste Collection

Curbside collection of natural Christmas trees starts on January 11, 2021.

Please set your tree out for collection on January 11. Trees may be picked up as late as January 31, 2021 (weather dependent) and not necessarily on residents' regularly scheduled collection days. If your tree has not been picked up by February 1, 2021 and was set out for collection by January 11, please call 311. For more information, please visit edmonton.ca/christmastrees.

Apartment and condo residents can drop off their natural Christmas tree for free at a Recycling Depot from Tuesday, December 28, 2020 until Saturday, January 30, 2021 or an Eco Station anytime during the year. Christmas trees should not be placed near apartment garbage bins or blue bins.

Find a Recycling Depot or Eco Station near you at edmonton.ca/holidaywastereduction.

Pivot Online Webinar Series

The Government of Alberta's [Community Development Unit](#) is hosting a series of webinars to showcase how Alberta's non-profits are transitioning into online platforms and shifting their services to meet community needs. Join one of their upcoming sessions on remote operations, social media, and virtual programming. All sessions are free to attend, but registration is required and spaces are limited! [Click here](#) for a complete list of upcoming workshops and registration details!

- President – Lance: no issues with parking lot and shoveling. Some issues with the doors. Therefore, we need to make sure that they get replaced ASAP.
Some complaints have been voiced about the rink attendants. They are doing the best they can. They are not bouncers. But you need to complain as it is happening, otherwise he cannot do anything about it. They are allowed sticks, but not organized hockey.
- Vice President – Giselle: nothing from AGLC about casino. Bylaw stuff: before moving forward, what should we do – strategic plan vs. bylaws. Or put it on hold? Re-envision until things come to normal? Problem that there is no historical memory (as both Giselle and Rachelle are both new to the board). Let's make this happen. Hold off on strategic planning as this is a whole different ball game.

Action item: doodle poll for picking a date.

- Newsletter – Giselle: returning to print. However, rather than using the kids, we will use Canada Post distribution. However, we'll no longer be paying the kids. Kids delivering the newsletters was problematic. Submission deadline is 29th. Submit articles, adds, pictures, etc. They instated a small increase in advertising cost.
- EFCL – Giselle: workshops on EFCL. Check them out.
- Membership – Auriana: 145 memberships sold. All have skate tags.
- Programs – Aleks: no one in attendance to report.
- Social: as discussed above
- Signs – Giselle: shout out to Brandon for helping. Also, he fixed the telescoping rod. And cut the lock off the lock for the sign by the park because the key got lost. Lance: we need to replace the lock (due to historical evidence of vandalization/theft).

Action item: Perry will go buy a lock. Giselle will send the best option.

- Maintenance – Lance: rink is running well.

Action item: contact Mike about doors.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm

Next board meeting is February at 7pm