

**Rio Terrace Community League board meeting
Sept 22nd, 2021; DIGITAL MEETING**

IN ATTENDANCE with active memberships FOR VOTING: Board members: Lance Burns, Auriana Burns, Brandon Blanck, Giselle General, Kristin Bauer, Rachelle Roberts (out at 7:15 pm), Jen Osmond, Aleksandar Stefanof (in at 7:40 pm), Perry Wynn (in at 7:17 pm), Andrew Chambul (in at 7:20 pm), Emma Woolner (recording)

Community members (voting): Jason Herstad

Non-voting: Jennie Gurnett (EFCL), Stuart York (NRC), Carrie Doucette, Barbara Kolbuc (community member, no membership, currently out of neighborhood, due to home renovations)

Minutes

MEETING call to order: 7:07 pm

1) Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda by Jen, seconded by Emma; All in favor; carried

2) Approval of AGM 2020 meeting minutes

Motion to approve minutes by Brandon, seconded by Emma; All in favor; carried

3) Finance Report

Of note: Brandon Blanck: not a great year for the league financially. The biggest limitation was the lack of casino (usually \$80,000 in revenue). Reached out to AGLC about casino. We will be lucky if get it Q1/2 next year. In the meantime, cash reserves decreased significantly due to little revenue from hall. And soccer (although usually revenue neutral).

Everything else as expected (for example, expenses). Rink attendants was over ½ of our total expenditure for the year. We are currently discussing ideas for reducing this expense for upcoming skate season (for ex. use volunteers instead) to compensate for the lack of casino.

Potential issue for preschool. For now, leave things as is.

Ringette league had nothing last year, but they are hoping to set up this year.

Same deficit as last year.

Capital plan is the same.

Lance: any way to report savings for the solar panels? Brandon: you will see it in the utility bills. Due to the glitches we experienced this year, nothing of note.

Budget for next year –

- Utility bills: The estimates are pessimistic and hoping that we will get better savings.
- Membership and hall rentals will hopefully give us a little bit of revenue.

Last year, we spent \$35,000 on rink attendants, but without the casino, we need discussion around this. We will be in jeopardy if we run it the same as last year. We should form a subcommittee to assess how we can make savings. 4 weeks away, but we should do this before our next meeting.

Rink attendant roles:

- Oversight during open hours.
- Shoveling the parking lot and sidewalks.

Wolf willow uses volunteers. Maybe we should talk to them.

Motion to accept the audited financial statement as presented by Brandon; seconded by Perry; all in favor; carried.

4) Reports for the Year

- NRC - Stuart: the city is not opening up quite yet. They, unlike the province, are being cautious and measured in their efforts. Therefore, he does not have much to report.
- President – Lance: events that we ran were far and few between. Emphasized that connections are b/w community members. Strongly believes in the value of our CL. Volunteerism is essential to the league. Look for the opportunity to work with and for those around us. Thank you for allowing me to be president for community league for the last 8 years.
- Vice President – Brandon: as discussed as treasurer >>> casino. Word from AGLC rescheduling Q1 at the moment. We are next. Giselle: taken a leave of absence since May 2021. Monitoring 1st opportunity for casino. Several attempts to update the bylaws. Getting close. Perry: we do believe we have a final version and will go over it at the October meeting.
- Membership – Auriana: 184 total memberships from 2020-21. Was all through EFCL and Rio site. No Circle K in-person sales. Carrie: our fees look to be about the same as other leagues. Jennie (EFCL) highest is about \$45.

Motion to maintain fee structure from previous year by Auriana, seconded by Perry; All in favor; motion is carried

- Programs & Social – Aleks: not much to report due to COVID.

Tennis court subcommittee: to be done in an email

- Maintenance – Andrew: 1st year, so a bit of a crash course figuring out the needs of the league. Come and do our fire extinguishers in the next couple of days. Away due to work (nights). In the meantime, outstanding action items: security cameras, climbing deterrent, HVAC, concrete. Path forward for security cameras to be discussed soon, but not tonight. Lance: middle of the night phone calls due to people on the roof.

- Hall Rental – Carrie: as per submitted report.
- Preschool liaison – Auriana: closed for last school year Sept 2020-June 2021. We did not run due to covid. Teacher maintained contact through SeeSaw app. However, there were no fees collected. Re-opened this fall.
- Soccer – Perry: as per submitted report. INDOOR - Mid to late October, but a possibility of delay.
- Newsletter – Giselle: used Canada post, but downsides: some houses are included in the Lynnwood route and as such do not receive the newsletter. Also, homes with “no flyers” do/did not receive. Last delivery was done by the youth in the community. We continue to receive requests for advertising from local businesses. Lots of potential for content from CL members.

5) Set Annual General Meeting date for 2022: September 28th, 2022, at 7 pm

6) Elections – Bylaw Article 11

- **Even year nominations and elections for the following board positions for a two-year term:**
 1. President - nominated by Lance: Emma; other nominations: no. Let your name stand? yes; Nomination closed; successful by acclamation.
 2. Secretary – no nominations
 3. Soccer director - nominated by Lance: Perry; other nominations: no. Let your name stand? yes; Nomination closed; successful by acclamation.
 4. Social director – no nominations. Position will remain vacant.
 5. Maintenance director - nominated by Lance: Andrew; other nominations: no. Let your name stand? yes; Nomination closed; successful by acclamation.
 6. Communications (newsletter) director - nominated by Perry: Giselle; other nominations: no. Let your name stand? yes; Nomination closed; successful by acclamation.
 7. Directors at large –
 1. Nominated by Giselle: Rachelle;
Seconded by: Emma; Successful by acclamation
 2. Nominated by Brandon: Kristin;
Seconded by: Emma; Successful by acclamation
 3. Self-nominated: Auriana;
Seconded by: Rachelle; Successful by acclamation
 4. Nominated by Emma: Jen;
Seconded by: Rachelle; Successful by acclamation
 5. Nominated by Lance: Jason Herstad;
Seconded by: Perry; Successful by acclamation

7) Vacant Positions available (non-election year)

1. Maintenance Assistant(s) (non-voting role)

2. Signs person (non-voting role): Jason Herstad.

8) Election of Auditors for annual financial review for 2020-2021

We need to put a call out for 2 people to do an audit on our 2021-2022 finances. It is several hours of work. Our bylaws state that the annual review audit needs to be conducted by an accountant or 2 non-signing authorities that are community members.

Motion to nominate Perry & Auriana to do the annual financial review for the 2021-2022 fiscal year by Brandon. Seconded by Jen; All in favor. Carried.

Meeting adjourned 8:09 pm