

Board Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: March 16, 2021 8:00pm

Location: Zoom Cloud Meeting (virtual meeting due to COVID-19)

Chair: Rob Powell



Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Rob Powell at 8:03pm.

Attendees

Rob Powell, Jill Gurela, Courtney Wright, Sarah Jensen, Scott MacFarlane, Marcelo Figueira, Tyler Beal, Sreya Challa

Guests

Margaret Smith, Neighborhood Resource Coordinator

Absent

Parmender Dhankhar, Soni Dasmohapatra

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Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Marcelo Figueira and seconded by Scott MacFarlane to approve the agenda. Motion unanimously carried.

Agenda

Approval of January 2021 Minutes

Motion made by Courtney Wright and seconded by Jill Gurela to approve the January 2021 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

1. EVENTS

Margaret Smith advised that we should plan as if the Canada Day event will go ahead, and the Board shared that we would need 8 Picnic Tables and 6 Garage cans for Canada Day Fireworks.

2. LEAGUE BOUNDARY SURVEY RESULTS

Survey was posted on our Facebook page about changing the league boundaries. Results found that 74% of participants were in favour of the league becoming smaller with 63% in favour of Blackburne Creek, Blackmud Creek, and Richford as an option for new BCCL league boundaries, and 70% of people in favour of including Cashman with those neighbourhoods.

The Board discussed pros and cons of changing league boundaries:

- Difficulty planning and funding needs of a league with so many neighbourhoods.
- Smaller boundaries will hopefully help members feel more connected to the league.
- Right now recruiting and keeping board members is difficult, maybe a smaller league will attract more volunteers.
- Will have to ensure that current projects supported by the league will continue to receive support from BCCL, even if a neighbourhood is no longer part of the league
- Means that neighbourhoods no longer part of BCCL will have to create their own league; this takes time (Margaret estimates 1.5-2 years)

Motion made by Scott MacFarlane and seconded by Tyler Beal to approve putting this change to a vote at the upcoming SGM. Motion passed: 7 in favour, 1 opposed.

3. OTHER BYLAW CHANGES

Proposed bylaw change #1 for the Special General Meeting April 8, 2021 is to:

- Remove the requirement for 80% of board members at a regular board meeting to vote in favour of removing a director from the board, instead only requiring a simple majority.

Motion made by Scott MacFarlane and seconded by Jill Gurela to approve putting this change to a vote at the upcoming SGM. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposed bylaw change #2 for the Special General Meeting April 8, 2021 is to:

- Add wording to the bylaws to allow for a motion to be made during community league elections for all unopposed candidates to be elected by acclamation.

Motion made by Jill Gurela and seconded by Tyler Beal to approve putting this change to a vote at the upcoming SGM. Motion carried unanimously.

4. BOARD MEMBER INTENTIONS

To be discussed at the next board meeting, as the meeting has already gone too long.

Member Reports

Vice-President's Report

- I attended the EFCL's general meeting on February 16th.
- I boosted the community league boundaries survey on Facebook for maximum responses.
- I interacted with residents of Richford regarding their concerns with a proposed development. Marcelo has connected with them to provide further assistance.
- The typical membership supplies were ordered from the EFCL.

Next Regular Board Meeting

- TIME/DATE/LOCATION TBD

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:01 pm.