

Saturna Recreation and Cultural Centre

Directors' Minutes

19 March 2018

Present – Melanie, Bill, Raeanne, Peggy, Norm, Ingrid, Linda

Regrets – Chaya, Michel, Paul

Call to Order – 1750 hrs.

Approval of Agenda - With additions of Atomic Clock and Transition, by consensus

Approval of Minutes – Moved by Peggy, Seconded by Raeanne – **Passed**

Committee Reports

Finance – there has been a good response for memberships up to 81 so far. We are continuing to earn funds through the showers. Lounge and rentals are slow. Parks Canada refused to pay \$5000 as a minimum...only pay 11% of expenses which amounts to around \$4875. Payments received from SIVFD, School District 64, CRD, Lions (via donations of \$5000.00 to the RC), Health committee of \$4750 and \$500 donation to the RC.

Repair and Maintenance - \$14500 towards the new dishwasher and so far nothing back from Hobart re the new control panel we had to purchase for the old machine; Geothermal - \$4500 so far with an outstanding bill of \$20903.62 after estimate of \$12000 received from Generation Refrigeration. Melanie has sent the company an email pointing out the difference from estimate to actual costs with no previous approval of the extra costs hoping for some relief on the outstanding amount due. But, the geothermal is now working well. **Motion** – Peggy moved that due to the thermal repair costs we take \$19,400 from our contingency (capital) account to pay the bill, Seconded by Bill – **Passed unanimously**

Activities – Earned \$404 with the St. Valentines Day Raffle. Preparations underway for Cinquo De Mayo which will actually be on a Saturday. Ray is working with the Phone Books as a fund raiser for the RC and was wondering when the next one should be printed. Still approx. 100 books at the General Store for sale.

Operations – Geothermal updates covered in Finances. Dishwasher – Roy will be back with a surge protector and when he returns will work with Harvey to get the soap and have the dishwasher running properly. Bill was requested to send a thank you note to Hubertus for finding the dishwasher.

Communications – The website has been updated including the posting of the minutes. A suggestion to do a mailout during the 5th month for memberships to push the 6 month one.

Old Business

Geothermal as above. Kitchen clean up – will bring up with the Lions after the dishwasher is fully functioning and after Prawn Fest.

New Business

Fundraising – Cinco de Mayo; Phone book via Raeanne; Raffle vs Silent Auction online 32 Auction for the Silent Auction but not until after Easter Weekend and the fundraiser by the Saturna Women's Service Club.

Atomic Clock – Needs to be put up in the lounge as it comes with a plaque from the Somens Service Club. Melanie will ask Michel to put it up.

Transition – Into the new Societies Act. Peg is working on getting everything together prior to the end date of November 2018.

Exercise Class – The grant has been spent as it was a 6 month pilot program to introduce exercise classes to Saturna and train someone to teach the classes once the pilot had expired. It was initially supposed to be 2 classes once per week for 3 months. Chaya has taken more training that was initially required giving us a great teacher. It has extended to 6 months not three, and we have 3 classes during the day. We have received \$750 from Parks and Rec. The grant funds are finished as of 30 April. We have collected sufficient drop in fees to continue classes and Peg will ask Parks and Rec for another grant for 2018 for \$1400 to continue for another year. The classes are well attended with, on average 20 per day attending the 3 classes. We have developed a mailing list of 45 people. We plan on continuing with 3 classes per day and continuing to pay Chaya \$100.00 per day. We, unfortunately, will have to increase the drop in fee to \$3.00 per class as of 1 May 2018.

Speculation Tax – Bill to write a letter from the Rec Centre stating our disapproval of the tax and the hardships it will force on the Gulf Islands as we all have many vacation homes.

Grounds Person – Davey Obade has retired and we need to find another person to handle gardening etc. Tina was suggested.

Grants – it was suggested that we search for a grant to assist with the huge cost of repairing out geothermal and dishwasher.

Next Meeting – 16th April 2018 at the RC, time to be determined.

Adjourned 1857hrs.