

CFNA Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 22, 2018 – 7:30 p.m.

Downtown Community Centre

Present: Agnes, Susan, Sheldon, Jen, Christiaan, Tom

Regrets: Pam, Teresa

Approval of Agenda: Christiaan moves , Sheldon seconds, all in favour

Approval of October minutes: Jen moves, Christiaan seconds, all in favour

City Liaison (Agnes)

- LoveMyHood website launching February 14
- Includes a “What's in my hood” section, showing services, community centres, events
- Twitter feed will retweet tweets with #lovemyhood
- Website will have stories of community

- Participants in neighbourhood associations reaching milestone anniversaries of joining (e.g., 10, 15, 25) are eligible for pins

- Neighbours can nominate ‘Snow Angels’ (shovelling good Samaritans) for recognition

- Newsletter Update
- Jen: Teresa has someone doing an article. Likely topics include Neighbourhood Pop-Up Art, Community Yard Sale, HAPP, Fred's Benches

- Garden committee
 - Improvements to iron horse trail (entry through West Ave. - shed with mural on it)
 - A local committee is administering the assignment of 20 garden plots
 - Queen's Greens are willing to mentor persons interested in taking on a role of Garden Coordinator
 - Susan interested

Treasurer's Report (Susan)

- Nothing to report for January 2018

Pop Up Art (Jen)

- Jen has nailed down most of what the projects are going to be
- First, tree with birdhouses on the side of the Weber Shed
 - Reclaimed wood to make tree part, with 46 birdhouses
 - We have potential artists contributing to decorate the project
 - This event might start first, since the back will need to be painted. We plan to decorate the birdhouses in April
- Second, with Fred's Benches, we thought of having a couple of the benches assembled for HAPP
- An artist has offered to assist with a photography walk
 - She will be walking around with citizens, taking photographs that inspire them
- Also looking at the art for the art walk, that was displayed on the building at Samuel and Brubacher
 - Seeing if people want to donate their picture windows

Community Yard Sale (Jen)

- Morning of HAPP, in May 2018
- CFNA member might help with google map and coordination

Tot Spots at DCC (Jen)

- Fridays, 9 - 11
- Right now, limited stuff provided – covered by the \$2 drop in fee
- Jen moves to put \$40 toward Tot's Spot for snacks and activities. Christiaan seconds, and all are in favour

CommuniKicks Soccer

- Starting up in May
- Devon passed on thoughts
 - suggestion to reduce budget by forgoing shirts this year (it was close to \$900 last year)
 - consider keeping it at Suddaby on Wednesdays
- Considered options for maintaining volunteer attendance: there should have been three coaches per group, and on average certain groups had one
 - might reframe language to clarify that this won't happen without them;
 - consider more robust volunteer appreciation, or paying certain of the coaches (up to 480)
 - The CFNA will put those options to Devon
- Age groups: 4-5, 6-7, 9-10
- There were 80 kids total (full program)

Placemaking – Fred's Benches (Tom and Jen)

- Will await City's agreement, while working to identify candidate properties when whether permits
- Need to order the 11 benches as early as the process permits in spring 2018
- Placemaking events
 - July 27 – we will assemble
 - July 28 – animating events on Placemaking Day

Tom moving outside of boundaries in April 2018

- By-laws appear to allow him to serve out term, though not to run again