

**False Creek South Neighbourhood Association**  
**Delegates Meeting**  
**Minutes of Meeting, Wednesday December 2, 2015**

**Enclave**

658 Leg-in-Boot Sq.

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Alder Bay Co-op

Alder Bay Place

Connaught Housing Co-op

Creek Village

Creekview Co-op

Discovery Quay

False Creek Co-op

Fountain Terrace

Greater Van. Floating Home Co-op

Harbour Terrace

Heather Point

Henley Court

Lagoons

Marina Housing Co-op

Marine Mews

Mariner Point

Market Hill

Newport Quay

Pacific Cove

Regatta

Sea Village

Spruce Village

Stamps Landing

Twin Rainbows Co-op

**Delegate(s)**

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Ralph Skinner, Rosalie Hawrylko  
Wendy Herdin (Vice President)

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Eta Thiessen, Marlene Poehnell

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Gordon Watson

Janice Ninatti

Karen Hemmingson

Dennis McCann, Diane Darch, Tineke Hellwig

David McCann (Treasurer), George McEwen

Gillian Willis

Mats Tholin

Charlie Richmond

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Sharon Yandle (President)

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Kathie Cornes (Secretary), Jim Woodward

Susan Harris

Jennifer Greenwood, Marion Hogue

Kathleen MacKinnon, Wes Knapp, Evan

Alderson

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Beryl Wilson

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Doug Broome

**Regrets**

Alder Bay Co-op

Sylvia Smallman

Creek Village

Richard Marchant

Marine Mews

Josef Skala, Patricia Martin

**Guests**

Peer-Daniel Krause

Re\*plan

Daniel Snell

Connaught Housing Co-op

**1. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion** That the agenda be approved.

**M/S APPROVED**

**2. Approval of Minutes**

**Motion** That the minutes of the November 4, 2015 Delegates Meeting be approved.  
**M/S APPROVED**

### **3. Business Arising from the Minutes**

#### **a) Mahony's**

Jennifer Greenwood reported that some residents of Pacific Cove have concerns about operations at Mahony & Sons Irish Pub at Stamps Landing. The issues which adversely affect local residents involve traffic safety, garbage storage, late-night noise, seating capacity (66% larger than when Monk McQueen's operated in the same building) and fire safety concerns. A committee of Pacific Cove residents recently met with Councillor Geoff Meggs and John Greer, an Assistant Director in the City's Planning Department, to discuss their concerns. The committee will continue to stay in touch with the City and to monitor progress in resolving the issues. They are aware that there is an opportunity to revise operating guidelines when Mahony's lease expires.

#### **b) Parking Fees – Moberly Road**

Beryl Wilson previously agreed to look into increases to evening parking rates in the Easy Park lots on Moberly Road. Having not received a satisfactory response from City staff, she reported that she has now set up a meeting with Councillor Kerry Jang on December 10 to discuss our concerns.

#### **c) Fall Community Cleanup**

Kathleen MacKinnon reported that 19 neighbours joined in the cleanup on November 28. One of the goals of the cleanup is awareness-building and the participants had many people thank them as they picked up junk--things like "millions of cigarette butts and transit tickets, as well as 7 socks (unmatched), a shirt, a running shoe and a hubcap!" FCSNA provided coffee, oranges, bananas and muffins for the volunteers.

### **4. Correspondence**

- Email dated Nov. 24/15 from Joshua Hensman, Youth Activity Worker, False Creek Community Centre to David McCann, Treasurer FCSNA regarding our contributions to the FC Elementary School Dragon Boat Experience program.
- Email dated Dec 2/15 from Marta Goodwin, Treasurer, Charleson Park Community Gardeners to Sharon Yandle and Susan Doyle, John McBride Community Garden regarding garden sponsorship and sources of funding for garden improvements. (Re additional funding, David McCann suggests the group apply to Home Depot for assistance.)

### **5. Finance**

David McCann presented the Treasurer's Report dated December 1, 2015. He reported that FCSNA is on track to finish the year with a healthy bank balance. He advised delegates that the Re\*plan committee is expecting funds from VanCity and others, but in the meantime proposes a loan to cover ongoing expenses, mainly fees of our hard-working part-time consultants.

**Motion** That the Treasurer's Report of November 1, 2015 be accepted.

**M/S APPROVED**

**Motion** That the FCSNA extend a \$10,000 loan facility to the Re\*plan Committee for the 2016 budget/fiscal year. **M/S APPROVED**

**Motion** That the FCSNA extends its thanks to David McCann for all his many contributions to the Association, as Treasurer but also as committed neighbourhood advocate.

**M/S APPROVED**

## **6. Reports**

### **a) Re\*Plan Committee**

Wendy Herdin reported that Re\*plan committee members have been very active in recent weeks, especially since the departure of City Manager Penny Ballem, in connecting with City staff and briefing them on our issues and agreements achieved thus far.

Other on-going committee projects include:

- meeting to examine various lease models from around the world;
- working on a position paper to address City-proposed changes to the BC Strata Property Act;
- putting together funding proposals and applications;
- meeting with co-op enclaves – Val Embree is making presentations;
- starting to make presentations to strata enclaves – sessions lead by Lisa May and Anne Kaye.

### **a) Syrian Refugee Sponsorship**

A committee of FCSNA delegates has been formed to facilitate FCSNA sponsorship of a Syrian refugee family. Members of the committee are delegates Evan Alderson, Wes Knapp, Kathleen MacKinnon, Charlie Richmond, Susan Wright and Sharon Yandle. Peer-Daniel Krause, and residents Val Embree, Maria Roth and Marilyn Wilson have also joined the committee.

Evan reported that much progress has been made since the last FCSNA meeting. We have now entered into a partnership with the University Hill United Church (which is a SAH, Sponsorship Agreement Holder) and are working on getting a family here soon, although the timing is uncertain. There are two potential avenues for selecting a family:

- via a “family link application” (i.e. family or friends are already Syrian-Canadian residents);
- via an already cleared list (i.e. the family, likely in Lebanon or Jordan, is already cleared and their application processed so they possibly could travel sooner).

Charlie advised delegates that an email address, [refugeefcsna@gmail.com](mailto:refugeefcsna@gmail.com), has been set up to help communicate with those interested in helping with the project, also a spreadsheet to track relevant information. Anyone interested in donating furniture or household goods is encouraged to donate to Homestart, <http://www.homestart.ca/>, a charitable organization that will pick up, store and deliver donated items.

Kathleen distributed a flyer about the project to delegates: it provides background information and asks for donations—of money, of time and of other assistance (e.g. help

with learning English, accessing medical care, school, childcare, transit, employment, etc.). She confirmed that financial contributions over \$50 (cheques to be made payable to "University Hill United Church – Refugees FCSNA") are eligible for tax receipts and should be sent to the FCSNA, c/o False Creek Community Centre, 1318 Cartwright St., Vancouver, BC V6H 3R8. Donations made before the end of December will receive a receipt for the 2015 tax year.

Wes distributed a poster soliciting accommodation for our sponsored family, ideally "a modest 2-3 bedroom apartment that is available or will be available soon", which he asks delegates to post in their enclaves. Respondents are asked to contact the committee at [refugeefcsna@gmail.com](mailto:refugeefcsna@gmail.com).

Sharon added that our fundraising goal is approximately \$40,000. Delegates are asked to approach potential donors.

#### Comments and Discussion:

- Wendy Herdin stated that several co-ops have said they'd be prepared to allocate a sublet apartment to this family, *if one becomes available*;
- Mats Tholin suggests we choose a family that has no ties to this area, rather than one with previous connections, as they will have a greater need for the kind of support we can offer.
- David McCann suggests that the committee could set up a table for fundraising and awareness at the Granville Island market: tables are available free for up to one week;
- Evan answered questions about fundraising: we are doing quite well initially; and no, there are no matching funds available from the federal government;
- Rosalie Hawrylko asked about the "public face" of this sponsorship: Evan answered that officially it is the United Church, but that we are formally an organizational co-sponsor. He said, too, that the Church is more than prepared to give us "equal billing".
- Peer-Daniel told delegates how happy he is that FCSNA has taken on this project and is impressed by the committee's level of commitment and energy. He has lived in Syria and has lost friends to the conflict.

**Motion** That FCSNA expresses its thanks to the Syrian Refugee Sponsorship Committee and appreciation for all the effort and work they have put into this project.

**M/S APPROVED**

## 7. Unfinished Business

### a) Christmas Caroling Event

Diane Darch gave an update on preparations for the caroling event scheduled for Thursday, December 17, starting in Leg-in-Boot Square at 6 p.m. Anita Norby of Fountain Terrace has volunteered to lead the singers. The production of song sheets is underway, lanterns are ready and gifts purchased. Diane handed out posters for delegates to display in their enclaves.

Other delegates volunteered to help on the 17th: Kathleen MacKinnon and Wes Knapp will bring food, David McCann will obtain baking from Terra Breads, Tineke Hellwig will help set up the Sitka Square room, Diane will ask Sean McLaren if he'll arrange for the hot chocolate; Kathie Cornes will open and close the room. Diane expects other delegates will join in the singing and in the preparation and cleanup.

**b) FCSNA Website**

Peer-Daniel Krause reported that he and Bree Galbraith have been working hard on the website and that it should be up and running very soon. He asked for a few volunteers to have a look through the site in the next few days to identify any glitches or areas that need improvement: Susan Harris, Karen Hemmingson and Doug Broome agreed to do so.

There was discussion about ways to promote the newly updated site (e.g. a magnetized bag-clip with logo for free distribution) but it was decided not to pursue them at this juncture. Peer-Daniel suggested that any funds available be used to maintain and update the site and keep it relevant.

**c) Community Emergency Preparedness**

Item tabled to next meeting.

**8. New Business**

**a) ECUAD Re-Purposing**

Emily Carr University of Art and Design is scheduled to move from its present location on Granville Island by September 2017. This leaves open the future of the buildings ECUAD currently occupies. Peer-Daniel reported that a workshop examining potential future uses of the space has been held and that FCSNA might want to join in the discussion. He proposes setting up a meeting with CMHC's Granville Island Manager. Several delegates volunteered to attend such a meeting: Gordon Watson, Evan Alderson, Doug Broome, Janice Ninatti and Peer-Daniel.

**9. Good and Welfare**

Diane Darch distributed False Creek Community Centre program guides for delegates to distribute in their enclaves.

**9. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

**Next Regular Meeting:  
Wednesday, January 6, 2016 7-9 p.m.  
Location: Sitka Square Meeting Room**

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