

Minutes of Wednesday March 6 2024

Member Enclave		Member Delegates
666 Leg-in-Boot Square		Susan Denhel
Alder Bay Co-op		Wendy Herdin (President), Arlene Morgan
Alder Bay Place		absent
Connaught Co-op		
		no delegate
Creek Village		Susan Webber
Creekview Co-op		Debby Meyer
False Creek Co-op		Val Embree (Secretary), Richard Evans, Marta Goodwin (Treasurer); Vincent Pierce (Vice- President)
Fountain Terrace		Karen Hausch, Tinneke Hellwig
GVFH Co-op		
Harbour Terrace		Marie-Claude Collins
Heather Point		absent
Henley Court		Charlie Richmond
Marine Mews		Sharon Yandle, Lauri Riddle
Marina Co-op		
		absent
Market Hill		Jim Woodward
Pacific Cove		Nancy Kirkpatrick
Regatta		absent
Spruce Village		Roxanne Brookes, Yael Staev
Twin Rainbows Co-op		absent
Guests	Sarah Brown Babyn Chan - BoBlan Bath Demoster - Convision Cofe	
Regrets	Sarah Brown, Robyn Chan – RePlan, Beth Dempster – Convivial Cafe Mike Talbot – GVFHC	

#### 1. Call to order

The president called the meeting at 7:05. 12 present; 8 sent regrets

# 2. Agenda Approval and Previous Meeting Minutes Approval

It was moved, seconded and carried THAT: The proposed agenda be approved.



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*It was moved, seconded and carried THAT:* The minutes of February 7, 2024 be approved as circulated.

#### 3. Business arising from the Minutes

a) Update on Timber Bridge

#### 4. Secretary's Report

None

## 4. Treasurer's Report

Marta reported that cheques for dues are coming in, for total of \$6,040, and target is \$8,405 – representing 1681 units! So we are well on our way.

## 5. Committees, Working Groups and Liaison Reports

(a) RePlan - Planning committee of FCSNA

Robyn Chan, Project manager, and Richard Evans reported on a very useful meeting with Jason Forsyth regarding how FCSNA might reach out to the three host First Nations – Musqueum, Squamish, Tseilwatuth - to build a relationship. This area was an important gathering area for all three. Jason noted that all three Nations are working on a government to gov't basis, so for FCSNA, from the President.

- offer involvement in any planning work RePlan is doing

- heritage of First Nations in FCS – documenting as part of the community planning and story telling process

- draft a letter to each of the Nations, recognizing capacity of the Nations to respond is limited, but this is an important step towards meaningful efforts at reconciliation.

Action: Invite others in FCS together with skills and interest to be a part of this, to frame the work in a good way.

Robyn and Richard propose to return with a draft of a letter on behalf of FCSNA.

Nancy Kirkpatrick noted based on her experience working at the museum in North Vancouver:

- each Nation prefers to be approached individually, and usually addressed to Chief and Council . They will determine who will liaise with us.

- potentially speak with the Indigenous curator at the Museum of Vancouver who has good information on FCS history specifically.

Jim raised concerns about timing of this process in relation to the Broadway Lodge redevelopment, given stage of that proposal, and uncertainty of if and when the City will confirm the project. Robyn noted UBC alerts Musqueum the list of things they are working on and an offer to engage, and the Nation will decide what is of interest.

Robyn noted that Christine Boyle is willing to meet with her to discuss how the City consults. **Action:** agreed with us moving forward with the approach and next steps suggested by Robyn and Richard.

Other RePlan updates: Robyn reported on



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- the continuing work on impacts of redevelopment vs replacement of Creekview Co-op.
- Book Club launch is underway.
- Planning a refresh the FCSNA website, particularly the events page and a 'news' page.
- A couple of grant applications have been submitted to fund RePlan's work for the rest of the year, and expect to hear back in the next 6 weeks.
- The gameboarding workshops re Olympic Village density are continuing.
- Additonal work to determine what affordability can be acheived in new build sites in FCS.
- Outreach / networking continuing; Robyn will meet wth Jill Atkey of BC Non-Profit Housing Ass'n re connecting with non-profits in the Creek.
- Re-constituting a strata sub committee is proposed, framing that as a 'strata residents' group with the purpose of having strata involvement in community planning for the anticipated growth in density in FCS. Tinneke notes that given this focus, rather than lease renewal, reaching out to the freehold stratas would be a good idea agreed to clarify the focus of RePlan work now and outline its benefits not leases, but neighbourhood planning in the context of expected intense development. Noted that a letter / invitation on this and offer to attend a meeting handled as formal correspondence to the strata requires it to responded to. Marta notes she sends out the annual invoice with a President's Report, and sends it to the management company, cc'ing Presidents and Treasurers where she has that information. It may be that this this being handled as an invoice rather than correspondence.
- Action: ask Sharon to get a note out to all strata Delegates to seek a working group on this.
  a Town Hall meeting for community update is planned for April 8, online. Suggested to record this for access by others after the meeting; also have a good communications summary follow up from the meeting distributed.

## (b) Community Housing Trust

Jim Woodward reported CHT still on a pause, pending RePlan work on other fronts.

## (c) Community Engagement Committee

Susan Denhel reported that the Committee helped Dolores hold a ButterflyWay seed share recently In Leg & Boot Square. Beth Dempster reported on the planned Philosophers' Cafe starting tomorrow night at 6, first of series of 6. We also had a meeting with the City recently regarding animating the space.

With spring coming, active planning is underway, building on the successes of last year:

- 14 different events, some of which were multiple e.g music 14. Most well attended were Brock House Big Band and Winterfest, with over 100 participants each. Least well attended was music on a rainy day with 8 people. Estimate of total attendees was at least 1700 participants. We served 2,000 treats and 500 cups of tea.
- Some events were organized by individuals, others by working groups. About a dozen people are the organizing group, with another dozen helping with set up, chairs, etc.

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To sustain this level of activity, another 10-12 volunteers to organize and manage events would be good. We are encouraging people to participate, and will be putting messages out via Delegates and the newsletter, BtB.

#### (c) School Liaison

Roxanne Brookes reported the school had a K - 7 Valentines Dance this year, the first since Covid – it was a great success. Planning is starting for a second spring Carnival, spearheaded by a parent last year. Other clubs and sports activities are underway.

## (e) Sustainability & Resilience Working Group

Yael reported that

- the butterfly project is getting bee hives set up on the roof of Creekview Co-op is a current initiative.
- Yael continues to work with leaders of the externally funded project analysing the carbon cost of renovating vs replacing the current Creekview building with for example a 50-story building. There is a lot of interest in this in the wider environment. There is a parallel project underway regarding Twin Rainbows.
- A False Creek Conservation Council continues to be of interest. The next step is a proposed conference on Oceans Day in June, taking place on Granville Island.
- Jane's Walk an annual event the first weekend in May where volunteers lead walks in the community. Yael has led these in the past, and would encourage people to consider a walk they would like to do focused on any aspect of the Creek you find interesting that links to community, planning.
- The City's Neighbourhood Small Grants applications are opening tomorrow and it is up to \$500 and a straightforward process for whatever scale of initiative you have ideas for. The process closes in May. Susan Dehnel is happy to help people with these applications.

## (f) Safety on the Seawall Improvements Working Group

Nancy Kirkpatrick reported that the work west of Granville Island is still underway, 3 months in! Our City contact person is no longer at the City. She has some generic e-mail addresses she is currently using to follow up.

The seawall pathway east of the Cambie Bridge is having to be relocated further south due to seawall collapse. Nancy has been advised they hope to have this accomplished by the busy summer season.

Wendy reports on feedback from the City re the Timber Bridge damage. She was advised they are liaising with Parks Board and CMHC Granville Island, and have taped off the field to avoid liability for falls. Val reports known incidents of falls, and suggests they be asked to put a bark mulch path across the field to the community centre as a safer alternative.

Action: Wendy will follow up with the City and make this request.

#### (g) Between the Bridges

no report

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#### 6. New business

None

#### 7. Good and welfare

No reports

# 8. Next meeting and adjournment

The next FCSNA meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 3, 2024. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20

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