

False Creek South Neighbourhood Association

Delegates Meeting - virtual format

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

Member Enclave Member Delegates

666 Leg-in-Boot Square regrets

Alder Bay Co-op Arlene Morgan

Alder Bay Place Sarah Calvin

Connaught Co-op no delegate

Creek Village Susan Webber

Creekview Co-op Vincent Pierce

False Creek Co-op Val Embree (Secretary); Marta Goodwin (Treasurer)

Fountain Terrace Tineke Hellwig, Karen Hausch

GVFH Co-op Mike Talbot

Harbour Terrace Marie-Claude Collins

Heather Point Saj West

Henley Court Charlie Richmond

Marine Mews Evan Kligman, Lauri Riddle

Marina Housing Co-op absent

Market Hill Jim Woodward

Pacific Cove Nancy Kirkpatrick

Regatta Evan Alderson, Kathleen MacKinnon

Spruce Village Roxanne Brooks, Yael Staev

Twin Rainbows Co-op Abdul Zanhir

Regrets: 666 Leg in Boot Sq - Susan Dehnel; Heather Point – Jennifer Heath; Marine

Mews - Sharon Yandle; Pacific Cove - Jennifer Greenwood

Guest: Beth Dempster, Convivial Cafe

1. Call to Order

The president called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. Agenda Approval and Previous Meeting Minutes Approval

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

Marta Goodwin noted a correction to the minutes of Dec 7: Dec 7 budget for 2023 should not be minuted as approved at Delegates meeting; that was done at AGM the same evening.

It was moved, seconded and carried THAT: The minutes of December 7 be approved as corrected.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

a) Tineke Hellwig reported on a January 26 public meeting panel at VPL by the Squamish Nation with background on the history of the site, and reconciliation / reconciliaction. This is the link to the event, linked to the reprinting of *Conversations with Khahtsahlano 1932-1954* (first published in 1955):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FVx1-FqnpNY&list=PLp9Du1me5InL6tsADcqyZ3m eft-7bw A

4. Secretary's Report

Val reported no correspondence sent since the last delegates' meeting.

5. Treasurer's Report

Marta Goodwin presented the year-end report for 2022, including current funds in accounts at December 31. Interest rates on the term deposits will be reviewed and adjustments made as appropriate. Expenditures against 2022 budget were reviewed; many categories were under budget.

2023 dues are beginning to come in from member organizations.

6. Committees, Working Groups and Liaison Reports

a) RePlan – planning committee of FCSNA

Evan Alderson advised that a meeting is coming up with the Mayor's Chief of Staff, with the aim of making some connections with the majority party at Council. Three of the ABC Councillors know us well from the previous term on Council.

The City now has staff working on a strategy for seniors housing and supports, in response to work of the City's Seniors Advisory Committee. Marc White of FCCHA is on this City Committee.

The Campus of Care project is still in negotiations with VCH, so active planning for the Ash & 6th site is pending that discussion.

Marie-Claude Collins & Jim Woodward noted that the SLS is advising that each strata leaseholder should be advised of the cost of the 20 year extension via letter in February. The lease extension start date is March 1, 2023.

b) Community Housing Trust (aka Community Land Trust)

Jim Woodward reported the Trust is in a bit of hiatus, while pursuing a meeting of the CHT Board with the CHFBC CEO Thom Armstrong and their CLT Executive Director.

c) Community Engagement Committee -

Evan Alderson reported on the following:

• Community Partner Agreement with City of Vancouver — Evan and Beth Dempster of Convivial Cafe met with the City staff person leading plaza development initiatives. The City is very supportive of what was undertaken in 2022, and have now forwarded a formal Partner Agreement aiming to sustain the initiative. Evan proposes the Neighbourhood Association is most appropriately the formal Partner with the city. In the Agreement, the Community Partner agrees to do some cleaning, monitor the equipment for damage, and water plants — all relatively modest responsibilities. In exchange, the community partner is able to hold small scale events (under 100 people) without seeking special permits; this has enabled regular musical events and other gatherings.

Some concern was expressed that a few individuals did much of the volunteer work in 2022; active promotion of this volunteer opportunity is recommended.

Evan recommends the liaison with the City on behalf of FCSNA be Susan Dehnel, who was a very active volunteer in 2022. Beth suggests two people – Susan for volunteer and events coordinator; another FCSNA lead for the stewardship.

Action: small group meet in the next couple of weeks to address the mechanism to think through how FCSNA's obligations will be fulfilled.

- **BtB newsletter** next issue target is Feb 18. Stories and story ideas welcomed. Deadline for submission is Feb 13.
- age friendly community working group There may be opportunities for planning activities as part of the Campus of Care work. Evan Kligman reports the Community Centre is making an effort to have more activities for seniors and you will see them in the new program. Marta notes there is \$1,000 designated in the budget for collaboration with the Community Centre; Evan noted this appreciatively.

d) School Liaison – Roxanne Brooks reported (by notice in advance; she is attending but without video or audio participation due to illness):

- December caroling and Christmas bazaar were a success. \$1700 raised from the bazaar (donations of goods were purchased by students for \$1 as gifts to give their families)
- Girls' and boys' basketball teams in their second week of the season and doing very well
- Knitting, art, chess and climate clubs meeting weekly
- Some fun Valentine's Day chocolate sales and other fundraising events in the works to fund grade 7 leaving ceremony and a fun end of year field trip

e) Sustainability Resilience Working Group – Yael Stav advised the Group met in the new year, focusing on a fewarea issues. These include: involvement with RePlan's Community Planning Group; zero / low waste initiatives in the community, including reduce consumption via swap or share initiatives.

f) Safety on the Seawall working group – Nancy Kirkpatrick presented the report prepared by the working group. A PDF of the presentation was precirculated to Delegates with the agenda.

Nancy opened by saying 'we are not an 'anti-cycle' committee, but a 'pro-safety' committee.

Work began last autumn including walk abouts and solicitation of feedback. Concerns were: #1 – speed – many cyclists going faster than 15 km / hr.

Other concerns: congestion; line markings & path maitenance issues; signage problems; little or no education or messaging. A number of specific dangerous spots were noted: west of Anderson heaving of walkway; visibility at pillar on either sign of Anderson at the crosswalk; narrow spots with poor visibility at: foot of staircase to Cambie Bridge; curves around Spyglass dock and restaurants a Stamps Landing; seawall intersection at Shorepine Walk and Alder Bay Walk; downhill slope by Fishermans Wharf.

Potentially for recommendation are practical safety enhancements, including:

repair uneven pavement; repaint line separation lines; use standard pavement markings to indicate crossings, speed limits; cyclist and pedestrian signage, perhaps flashing beacons; clarification of guidelines, speed limits, permitted vehicle types; informal seasonal education campaigns; increase length of the designated Seaside Bypass to divert west bound cycle traffic south on Spyglass.

Next steps:

- consultation with othe stakeholder groups: HUB cycling, Park Board, CoV Transportation, School
- finalize recommendations
- A City staff person has been assigned to liaise with us! Submit report and recommendations to Vancouver Transportation Safety Committee.
- Is PAC at FC Elementary School interested in sponsoring a presentation by HUB to the school re sharing the path? Bike to School Week is May 29 June 2, 2023.

A short 'share the path' educational video from Marin County, California is recommended: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9tL29mLKAgg&t=2s

8. New Business

a) **Neighbourhood Clean Up Party** – Kathleen MacKinnon is seeking input on a date for this, beginning by proposing something in April. Kathleen & Wes would organize supplies and pick up of what's collected, and coordinate volunteers on the east side of the neighbourhood. She is looking for volunteer coordinators for the west side. She will follow up on this at the next meeting.

9. Good and Welfare

a) What's going on in your enclave?

- Kathleen updated the meeting on the first Syrian family who stayed in FCS on first arrival almost 6 years ago all are Canadian citizens now!
- Nancy advises her strata is looking at organizing secure bicycle parking; are there examples? Regatta, Henley Court and Fountain Terrace all have some kinds of arrangements; invitations were extended to view.

b) Reminder: False Creek South Community Facebook page is live:

join here: https://www.facebook.com/groups/368392819933437

10. Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next FCSNA Delegates' meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday March 1** on Zoom.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.