## Ralph Thornton Community Centre Board of Management Approved Minutes of the Online Electronic Meeting of November 24, 2021

## Present:

**Board:** Ryan Acayan; John Bradford; Caleb Edwards; Amy Grenon; Lisa Pottie; Maggi Redmond; Ejay Tupe; Sree Nallamothu; Heather Simpson; Dianne Surman; James Topham;

Staff: John Campey; Colleen Gray; Glenn Gustafson; Stephen Devine;

## Guest:

**Regrets:** Paula Fletcher; Abraham Plunkett-Latimer;

	Item	Discussion	Decision	Action / By
		1. CALL TO ORDER		
1a	Greetings & introductions	Lisa called the meeting to order.		President
1bc	Declaration of conflicts of interest	None; John shared Land Acknowledgement;		
		2. BUSINESS ARISING		
2a	Approval of meeting agenda	MOTION: THAT the meeting agenda be approved as presented. 11-0 Vote in favour	M: Maggi S: Caleb Carried	

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2b	October 27, 2021, Minutes	<b><u>MOTION</u></b> : THAT the minutes from the October 27, 2021 Board Meeting of the RTCC Board of Management be approved. 11-0 Vote in favour	M: Amy S: Ejay Carried	
2c	Community Updates & News	<ul> <li>Maggi shared that the Save Jimmie Simpson campaign is having a tree funeral on November 28th;</li> <li>Ejay mentioned Valerie Mah for possible recognition in the Portlands street naming;</li> <li>Lisa mentioned modular housing in Halifax and Homes First;</li> <li>Caleb mentioned a City report regarding housing stats, the Portlands Advisory Committee and the realignment of Cherry Street;</li> </ul>	Maggi, Ejay, Lisa, Caleb;	
		4. COMMITTEE REPORTS		
3a	Consent Agenda	MOTION: THAT the Consent Agenda be approved.	M: Ryan S: Caleb Carried	
		MOTION: THAT the Executive Slate be approved	M: Maggi S: Ejay Carried	
4a	Executive			

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4b	BD&N - Nominations Sub- Committee	No report this month	Amy	
4c	Finance	No report this month		
4d	Fundraising & Marketing	No report this month		
4e	Membership & Outreach	No report this month		
4f	Operational Planning & Evaluation	<ul> <li>Strategic Plan - the aim is to largely complete this by April, 2022, with Board approval in May for the June AGM; there will be a Strategic Plan audit in January, involving an examination of the previous Strategic Plan and Operational Plan in order to determine if the Strategic Plan did its' job;</li> <li>Discussion ensued regarding board retreats, dates, times and how long each day would be scheduled for; OP&amp;E will take suggestions and return with plan</li> </ul>		

4g	Personnel	No report this month	

	5. STAFF REPORTS				
5a	Executive Director	<ul> <li>2 recent overdoses at RTCC;</li> <li>Staff training is being updated: a first aid course is being offered to staff on December 8th;</li> <li>the Toronto Star Santa Claus Fund is using RTCC space to store 500 gift boxes this Christmas;</li> <li>the 2022 budget and work plan is in the works and should be ready by year end;</li> <li>RTCC is seeing an uptick in building use;</li> <li>Volunteer hours - a monthly estimate is needed; Board volunteer hours currently total the equivalent of a full-time staff member; Board members are requested to track their hours and submit them so RTCC has this aggregate information.</li> <li>RTCC staff will soon be receiving polo shirts which are currently on order;</li> <li>ALL RTCC board members must sign the RTCC confidentiality agreement; Amy and Caleb are currently reviewing and updating such agreements so that board and committee agreements are congruent;</li> </ul>			

5b	Manager, Strategic Initiatives	<ul> <li>Colleen spoke to RTCC's 'collaborations';</li> <li>Financial Literacy (FL) workshops were conducted this past summer with LIT participants; FL games were created to use with summer camp participants; there was a discussion about fraud with the Seniors group; Mustard Seed clients were asked what their FL needs are; a discussion about RESPs was held with members of the SRCPC community; All collected research/knowledge will be compiled in a FL library;</li> <li>In preparation for the New Horizons for Seniors Programme application, seniors were asked what they want to do and planting and gardening was the reply;</li> </ul>	
5c	Business Manager	<ul> <li>Glenn is working on the 2022 'global budget'; the City budget work is delayed;</li> <li>the AODA renovations will mean the third floor kitchenette is being removed, Janice and Susy's offices are being altered, and the third floor and basement washrooms, will be reconfigured;</li> </ul>	

6a	Other Business	<ul> <li>Lisa spoke to committee assignments and initiating first Committee meetings - John Bradford is now on BD &amp; N (John will coordinate first meeting); Caleb, as Treasurer, for Finance; Maggi for M &amp; O;</li> <li>A December 1st social was discussed, a backyard bonfire and inside socializing; being double-vaccinated is a requirement for attendance; John will send out an invitation;</li> <li>City of Toronto staff, volunteers and students must be double-vaccinated; there is no clear policy yet regarding vaccination requirements for board members and appointees;</li> <li>Anyone entering RTCC must have both vaccinations, with the exception of individuals making drop offs or pickups, briefly using the washroom, or Exchange Loft patrons.</li> </ul>		
6b	ADJOURNMENT	MOTION: THAT the December meeting be cancelled. 11-0 Vote in favour;	M: Ryan S: Amy Carried	