Minden Hills Cultural Centre Foundation

Regular Meeting

May 5, 2022, 17:00 – 18:30 via Video Conference call

Director Attendees Neil Briggs, (NB) Sue Tiffin, (ST)

David Rea, (DR) Mary Hamilton (MH)

Emily Stonehouse (EM),

Special Invitees Jim Mitchell (JM)

Director Absentees none

ORDERS OF BUSINESS

1) Call to Order:

- a) NB called the meeting to order. He noted that a quorum of Directors were in attendance and a notice of the meeting had been issued 5 days prior to the meeting
- b) NB called for comments on the minutes of the prior meeting. No comments were offered. NB moved the minutes be accepted, MH seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

2) New Business

- a) NB and JM are preparing questions for the MHCC Advisory Committee meeting scheduled for the week of May 9th. JM will send these in advance as a query from Committee members.
- b) NB and MH visited the CC today and found very little of the facility ready to accept guests or operate programs. They found that the grounds were in poor shape. This was attributed to the absence of the part-time grounds keep (Mike Story) who has left the MH community.
- c) NB advised a new agent had been engaged to create a version 2 of the Foundation website. NB will pay the \$1500 fees for this service offered by Aaron Berning. ES advised she had worked with him extensively and found his service excellent. The process is expected to take about 4 weeks. Some support will be needed from several directors based on their skills.
- d) NB advised he is scheduled to meet May 6th with Craig Belfry (Director of Community Services)(CB). CB has been charged with following up with the Foundation as a result of our presentation, April 28th to MH Council.
- e) Several ideas were discussed about increased programming using the CC as a facility. These included a "drop in art" were materials were available to do art work yourself possible with a facilitator.
- f) Concern was expressed about the low level of requests for grants by CC as well as low visibility into the CC budget numbers
- g) Susan Murray resigned from the Foundation Board. This was due to her recent move to Burlington and now extensive involvement in the Art Gallery of Hamilton. The Directors all wished her the best in her endeavours and NB thanked her for her extensive work with the Foundation

3) Future Action Steps

a) NB agreed to draft a note to the "Friends of the CC" who we represented and who contributed Any additional business or supplements to the agenda

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- b) ST agreed to send an example of how to use Web Links to refer to articles in Newspapers and add a small amount of text to effectively all Search engines to work
- c) ES agreed to try to devise an improved logo for the Foundation

CLOSING

- NB moved to close the meeting and MH seconded.
- No new date was set for the next meeting

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