

RILEY PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION - REPORT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING		
CHAIR: Marion Waterston	MINUTES BY: Ann Warrender	DATE: June 26, 2008
PRESENT; Surinder Bring, Daphne Holmes, Ed Shum, Ann Warrender, Lilian Wong, Clay Yandle Staff: Hanna Maron, Tony Syskakis		
#	SUBJECTS AND MOTIONS	ACTION/ DATE
1	<p>The meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm, with Marion Waterston in the chair. Prior to the board meeting the directors attended the Riley Park/South Cambie Community Vision Open House which was held at Riley CC.</p> <p>The minutes of the May 22nd board meeting were approved as circulated.</p>	
2	<p>Committee reports:</p> <p>Program Committee: The Program Committee discussed the idea of renting out the pottery studio to artists to help with the financial expenses of the studio. No decision yet. A helium tank has been purchased and will be used for birthday party rentals and special events.</p> <p>There were some suggestions expressed regarding increasing the “fun” aspect of the Little Mountain Neighborhood/Riley Park festival. The committee agreed there needs to be more communication between Little Mountain and Riley regarding the goals of the festival.</p> <p>Communications Committee: The committee is working on Terms of Reference. The web site has been a priority focus. We may work together with Kitsilano Community Centre to share costs of developing and operating websites. One suggestion has been to provide courses on line.</p> <p>The intent is for Riley’s web page to be a ‘hub’ for the community groups. Another feature of the site will be a calendar for community events.</p> <p>An archives option is also planned as a feature.</p> <p>Plans are being developed to raise funds to pay for the site. Cost is approximately \$3600. The scheduled dates for the brochure printing and process is now on a two year plan.</p>	
3	<p>Supervisor’s Report: Hanna reported that approximately fifty five community members met with representatives from VANOC, Translink, City of Vancouver at a VANOC Game Plan 2008 meeting. Discussion was specific to the Hillcrest area and was informative for people who live or participate in activities in the Hillcrest area.</p> <p>A poster display about the Hillcrest facility is on display in the Riley CC lobby.</p> <p>Group I billing and billing for the rink have been received.</p> <p>The pool will be shut down for four weeks for maintenance. The preschool playground was power washed. Some garden work has been done at the centre and the lounge has been repainted.</p>	Christine

4.	<p>The board is not satisfied with the furniture in the lounge and asked Christine to review the budget to see what money could be available to upgrade the furnishings for the lounge.</p> <p>Hanna reiterated that the Park Board have made a funding commitment to the conversion of the Olympic facility to our community centre and consequently the committed funds must be used for the conversion.</p> <p>The city of Vancouver and VANOC are sponsoring a short track speed skating event for athletes who will be or hope to be participating in the 2010 Olympics. Tickets will be sold at Riley.</p> <p>Park Board has been subsidizing staff wages for the rinks to provide skating lessons and at this time has said they will no longer be offering the subsidy. This matter was referred to the APG meeting for further discussion and comments from community centers that have rinks. It may not be viable to offer skating lessons as the fees would have to be increased considerably if the subsidy is no long provided.</p>	Marion
5.	<p>Host Happening Grant: An amount of up to \$10 000 is available from the city of Vancouver and VANOC for community groups to sponsor an event in celebration of the 2010 Olympics. Application deadline is September 15, 2008.</p> <p>Suggestions from Riley directors include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Art project featuring banners and mural created by students from the four neighbourhood elementary schools. 2. Free skate with breakfast with Santa. 3. Hockey tournament with a torch relay 4. Lunar festival <p>The Program Committee will meet in August to make a recommendation regarding which choice of activity we should put as our priority in the application.</p>	
	<p>New business: Nester's food store has been collecting points for Riley CC. So far they have collected \$700; the money can be used to buy items from the store. One suggestion was to buy food for a volunteer event. Any expenditures from the fund would be approved by the finance committee.</p> <p>Clay will include a message of appreciation to Nester's on our web site.</p>	
	<p>There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm</p>	
	<p>Note: THERE IS NO BOARD MEETING IN JULY</p>	
	<p>NEXT MEETING IS THURSDAY, AUGUST 28 AT 7:00 PM.</p>	