

**Minutes of PCA Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Wednesday, August 19, 2020**  
**Via Zoom (hosted by Lori)**

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**Present:** Allison Evans, Coline Morrison, Daryl Boshart, Gemma Parker, Linda Blake, Lori Zucchiatti O'Neill (Chair), Robyn Switzer, Susan McMurray

**Regrets:** Dalreen Fobler, Zhiizhii Prince

**Regular Business:**

1. **Welcome**
2. **Review and approval of agenda:** Motion to approve by Linda, seconded by Susan and passed.
3. **Approval of minutes from July 7, 2020 meeting:** Motion to approve by Susan, seconded by Coline and passed.
4. **Treasurer's report:** Report was presented by Coline and accepted.

**Committee Reports – What's New?**

1. **Events; Neighbourhood Support; COVID-19:**
  - **Little Red Theatre presentation of "The Crab Prince" in Phin Park,** August 18 – Two PCA members arranged for the "pay-what-you-can" performance for children. There was a good turnout, and the performers and artistic director were pleased with the setup and teardown assistance from Pocket residents.
  - **Other Pocket Facebook group events** – Lori advised that Jeff Otto regrets he was unable to present movie nights in Phin Park this summer, largely due to pandemic restrictions. A Pocket street sale is planned for September.
  - **Free yoga classes** – A member donated \$1000 for additional yoga classes, to be led by Trisha Lanns; this will cover seven classes in Phin Park and five additional online ones.
  - **COVID-19** – The COVID-19 Committee has addressed all resident concerns brought to its attention to date. The Executive thanks the committee and volunteers for their continuing support. The situation will be reviewed when there is a second wave.
2. **Membership:** Gemma reported that 165 residents have renewed their membership or joined the PCA. Total membership in 2019 was 430 and, in 2018, 390. Phase 1 of the membership drive is complete. People may sign up at the welcome desk at the September AGM.
3. **Nomination & Election:** There is now one nominee for each Board position. A list of nominees will be provided to PCA members by eblast prior to the AGM.
4. **Pocket Change:** The committee continues work on its new webpage and a bi-monthly blog about Pocket Change. It is looking at what other cities are doing and pursuing funding.
5. **Secretary/review of motions managed by email:** On July 31, 2020 Coline moved *that the PCA engage Trisha Lanns to present online yoga classes once a week for the month of August at a cost of \$160 (4 classes at \$40 each)*. Alison seconded the motion on August 1. On August 2, Zhiizhii proposed an amendment to the motion: *that the PCA engage Trisha Lanns to present online yoga classes once a week for the month of August at a cost of \$400 (4 classes at \$100 each)*. Gemma seconded the amended motion on August 2. Amended motion passed on August 3 with seven in favour, one opposed.

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**Business Arising:**

1. **Phin Park shed mural:** Jerry Silverberg, our Art in the Park resident artist, is willing to paint a mural on the west wall of the Phin Park shed, perhaps in collaboration with an Indigenous artist. This will serve as a graffiti deterrent and park beautification project. Lori will draft a letter and deliver it to the Pocket residents whose homes are closest to this shed wall. Children in the Pocket will be encouraged to submit ideas for the chosen theme. Motion to spend up to \$1000 for labour and supplies to create a mural on the west wall of the Phin Park shed moved by Susan and seconded by Robyn. Motion passed.
2. **AGM details:** There was a detailed discussion about the logistics and public safety measures for the AGM planned for September 9 (rain date is September 10). Lori will encourage particular Executive members and non-Executive Committee Chairs to draft a report, send it to her for review and deliver their report at the AGM to allow for a variety of speakers. She will also email a detailed outline of the AGM logistics to the Executive and others having a role at the event.

**New Business:**

1. **Scotiabank donation:** Former Executive member Rebecca Nelson has applied for her third and final donation from her employer. The PCA can expect \$1000 from the Scotiabank Employee Volunteer Program this fall.
2. **Little Red Theatre donation:** Motion to donate \$100 to Little Red Theatre as an honorarium in recognition of their performance of "The Crab Prince" in Phin Park on August 18, 2020 moved by Robyn and seconded by Gemma. Susan proposed an amendment to increase the honorarium to \$150. Allison seconded the amended motion and it was passed.
3. **Neighbourhood Support idea from Pocket Facebook group:** There was a discussion about a request for the PCA to create and maintain a list of neighbours who would volunteer to be present in Pocket residents' homes when tradespeople are on the job; this idea was driven by a few residents being taken advantage of or feeling unsafe with particular tradespeople; the decision was made to discuss this further at a fall meeting of the new Executive.
4. **Membership Coordinator role:** Gemma and her family will move to BC after the AGM; since the stay is currently intended to last a year, and her home is not being sold, it is reasonable for her to continue as the Membership Coordinator; thanks were given for her ongoing commitment.
5. **Chair's appreciation:** Lori thanked everyone on the Executive for their work, dedication, patience and positive attitude, especially given the stressors of the pandemic and the extension of their term by over three months.

**Next meeting:** October date TBD

Minutes prepared on September 30, 2020 by Linda Blake and Lori Zucchiatti O'Neill.