

## Minutes of the Meeting of Silverspring Community Association

### Annual General Meeting

May 15, 2012

**Attendance:** Robin Spence (President), Brian Webb (MAL), Janice Hobbs (Treasurer), Nadine Bourque (Indoor Coordinator), Crystal Bernier (Indoor Coordinator), Bob Stadnichuk (Civics), Peter Brown (Soccer Coordinator), Donovan Swinnerton (Football Coordinator), Carmen Allen (Secretary)

\*\*Mark Campbell (Community Consultant), Adeana Webb (Guest), Tracy Blair (Guest), Bev Dubois (City Councillor – Ward 10)

#### 1. Call to Order:

Robin called the meeting to order at 8:06 p.m. Self-introductions were made around the table.

#### 2. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion made by Janice and seconded by Nadine to approve the agenda with the additions of 4(b) and 7(d). Carried.

#### 3. Adoption of the Minutes:

Motion made by Brian and seconded by Bob to adopt the minutes of the AGM of May 24, 2011. Carried.

#### 4. Business Arising from the Minutes:

##### (a) *Budget 2012-13*

Janice circulated financial reports (2011-2012 budget and actual and 2012-2013 budget) as well as financial reports reviewed by Silverspring resident, Bill Roach, CMA. Bill has found that the financial statements present fairly the financial position of the SCA.

Janice is putting together information for the various coordinators to assist with their planning for future seasons. Specifically, she is analyzing their costs which should help them decide upon registration fees to charge participants.

Motion made by Janice and seconded by Brian to accept the 2012-2013 budget. Carried.

Motion made by Janice and seconded by Crystal to accept the financial information for this past year which Bill Roach has reviewed and found to be accurate. Carried.

Motion made by Janice and seconded by Donovan that we have an auditor conduct a review (“audit review”) opposed to having a full audit for this past 2011/2012 year. Carried.

(b) *Refund Policy*

Janice brought forward two changes to the Refund Policy which were suggested by Lanette previously: (1) SCA order number must be provided by anyone requesting a refund; (2) SCA will provide refunds by cheque as the credit card method is costly and cumbersome.

Motion made by Janice and seconded by Nadine to accept the new, revised Refund Policy. Carried.

Janice provided an interesting analysis of credit card transactions for the 2011-2012 year. There were 1300 credit card transactions for a total of \$59,000. The fees charged by MasterCard/Visa totalled \$2300 (or about \$1.80 per transaction). It was felt that the credit card fee total was "money well spent."

**5. Correspondence:**

None.

**6. Coordinator Reports:**

- (a) *Indoor* – Nadine provided a brief review of the 2011-2012 year for indoor programming as well as registration information for fall programs (see attached).
- (b) *Membership* – Absent. No report.
- (c) *Rink* – Absent. No report.
- (d) *Communications* – Absent. No report.
- (e) *Touch Football* – Donovan reported that the spring touch football season began about two weeks ago and is going well. There are currently 64 players which is similar to numbers seen in the traditional fall season.
- (f) *Soccer* – Peter stated that soccer is also going well these first couple of weeks into the season. Most teams have registered for the Mini Festival of Soccer (Mini FOS) in June. The SCA covers team fees for the Mini FOS. There has been a change regarding our zone for youth soccer (Under 10 and older). Our players will now be with the Hollandia zone instead of Aurora. SYSI will decide exactly when the zones will change, but it will come into effect at some point before the fall indoor season begins. SYSI is considering moving to online registration. This would mean that all ages of soccer players would register online through SYSI and no longer through SCA. Peter mentioned that the PotashCorp Kids in the Park Soccer Program will be running again this summer, and he will send a mass e-mail to provide further details to soccer players in the neighbourhood.

- (h) *Civic* – Bob referred to his report (attached) in which he listed issues discussed this past year and provided some information about Evergreen. He encourages anyone to bring questions about civics issues to him.
- (i) *Basketball* – Robin read Cindy’s report (attached) in which she commented on a successful year for the basketball programs.
- (j) *Youth* – Robin highlighted Mike’s report (attached) as well as his summaries of the youth program.
- (k) *Social* – Absent. No report.

Motion made by Bob and seconded by Peter to accept coordinator reports as presented. Carried.

**7. New Business:**

(a) *Fun Day in the Park*

Robin asked if anyone would like to organize Fun Day in the Park, but there were no responses. She will e-mail Gita to see if she wants to take on the role. There is a binder of information to assist with organizing the event.

(b) *Fall Registration*

Online registration will be open September 1-7. In-person registration will be on Wednesday, September 5. Football registration (online and in-person) will occur earlier. Dates will be decided upon at the June meeting.

(c) *Next Meeting*

The next meeting date will be held on June 19, 2012, at 8:00 p.m., at Ebenezer Baptist Church.

(d) *City Councillor Bev Dubois*

Bev extended appreciation to our volunteers and she offered congratulations to the SCA for utilizing an online registration system. She stated that this is the fastest growing area in the city and that we are dealing with the resultant traffic congestion. In order to deal with speeding problems, she has asked the Saskatoon Police Service to increase its presence in the neighbourhood. There was discussion about crime in Silverspring, specifically items being stolen from unlocked cars and from yards. She is aware of this issue and she encourages people to report all of these offences to the police as there needs to be an official history of occurrences before we will be provided with more police patrols. Reports can be submitted online if preferred.

The development of Evergreen is moving along nicely. A “green bridge” made of grass has been approved and will open by the end of 2013. It will span McOrmond Road and is meant to improve connectivity for bikers and pedestrians in Evergreen and area.

Bev also stated that the McOrmond Road extension will be completed by the end of this construction season (weather-permitting) so that RR 3045 (a gravel road currently seeing heavy use) will revert to local traffic meant exclusively for University of Saskatchewan Kernan Farm workers.

There will be a tour of the Northeast Swail in Evergreen on June 10. The new Safeway location will be opening this fall. Walmart at Preston Crossing is going to become a Walmart Supercentre. Cabela's has just opened and is busy. Development at Preston Crossing is not yet complete. Bev suggested that perhaps a couple more restaurants will open at Preston Crossing in the future.

**8. Community Consultant:**

Mark stated that he has received our grant documentation and he commended the SCA volunteers for their support of the community as well.

**9. Election of Officers:**

Motion made by Janice and seconded by Brian to accept the resignations of Crystal Bernier (Indoor Coordinator), Ian Evertman (Rink Coordinator), and Ross Moody (MAL). Carried.

Motion made by Donovan and seconded by Janice to re-appoint Art Urbanowski (Softball Coordinator), Carmen Allen (Secretary), Brian Webb (MAL), and Gita Malik (MAL) to a two-year term each. Carried.

**10. Adjournment:**

Motion made by Janice and seconded by Peter to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

**Coordinator Reports**  
**May 15, 2012**

**Indoor Coordinator Report**  
**Nadine Bourque**

We had a good year. We had to cancel kids' floor hockey and Dodgeball 13-15 due to low registrants. ABC's Sports is very popular so we added another class. In-person registration will be on Wednesday, Sept. 5. Online registration will be cut down to the first week of September to allow all of the other communities to compile their class lists. The other communities that we share programs with have asked us to start a waitlist online. We will have to talk to the computer people to set this up for us. We desperately need another indoor coordinator, so keep asking everyone you know!!

**Basketball Coordinator Report**  
**Cindy Manderscheid**

We had approximately 60 kids registered in Silverspring. We fielded 5 teams in various age groups and had to send some kids out-of-area to play. It was a positive season and we look forward to a number of coaches returning next year. There is also potential for an increase in numbers in the younger age groups.

**Civics Coordinator Report**  
**Bob Stadnichuk**

While not a very large part of the community association as a whole, my role has been to try to bring to the attention of the community the role our city administration has in the development, growth, and future of our city area.

To date, issues such as the civic elections, street cleaning, mandatory recycling, and traffic access have been discussed. The new development to the east, Evergreen, will soon be fully developed and occupied. This will likely add to the vehicular traffic and congestion we face trying to access Attridge Drive.

Please feel free to contact me with questions concerning any area of civics you may have. I would be happy to research the issues and find answers.

**Silverspring Community Association Youth Coordinator Report**  
**Mike Bendel**

This year we have continued to run the Silverspring Student Drop-In Program.

- We are averaging between 50-70 students

- We have combined the Jr. and Sr. High programs, still available and attended by both ages, but at the same time (7:30-9:00 p.m. every second Sunday)

- The night is far better attended by Jr. High (Gr. 6-8)
- I feel this is because of the walking or biking distance to homes, and younger students not having as much access to vehicles to go to a real 'coffee house.'
- Personally, I am committed to this service to families in the community as long as they will have me.
- We have 3 other adult volunteers who help with the program, in the 'concession' making snacks for the kids, and supervising the areas.
- I will be in attendance at the November Executive Meeting to discuss more the vision of why we do the things we do at the drop-in centre, and why we feel it is so effective.