

THETIS ISLAND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE MEETING

June 4, 2013 at 9:30AM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Don Sinclair - Chair, Nettie Hayter, Matt Hess, Lesley Milliken, Veronica Shelford, Gloria Taylor.

AGENDA:

AGENDA WAS APPROVED.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAY 21st, 2013 WERE APPROVED.

REPORTS:

- Hall Manager's report was approved as circulated
- Treasurer's report was noted, questions being shelved until the Treasurer is available.
- Membership report noted that we now have 175 Family memberships, 59 Single memberships, and 409 voting members. A cheque has been sent to TIRRA to bring them up to date with their part of the fee payments.
- Library – Don reported that there is an organization called the Southern Gulf Islands Community Libraries with which we might consider being affiliated, since we are not eligible to be part of VIRC (they are unionized, we are volunteer.) Veronica will look into this possibility. The library management software put out by Primasoft will also be investigated, since we are at a point of transition in the library structure. A new librarian has still not been found to replace Sandy Alexandre after the Book Sale in August.
- Community Garden – nothing new to report.
- Kitchen – The new Barbeque has arrived and was assembled and is currently stored at the Fire Hall. It was decided to try chaining it to a pillar in the open storage hut in the grounds, along with the trolley it comes with, and the propane cannisters. Matt has some chains that might work, and they will be locked and the keys stored in the office.
- It was noted that the new Standing Committee for Repair and Maintenance will be headed by Gloria, and will include Ron Bannister and Nettie Hayter. Gloria and Nettie will meet with Janice Young, our janitor, to familiarize themselves with her work list and requirements, and to discuss reprioritizing what she does to reflect the increased hall usage. Matt will send Gloria the files he has from his previous meetings with Janice. Also, it was noted that we should look into putting up zinc strips on the roof, to discourage moss growth and make maintenance easier.

NEW HORIZONS GRANT APPLICATION:

It was decided that there isn't time to make a serious application for funds before this year's deadline.

However, both Dee and Don are hoping to attend the workshop on the Grant and how to apply for it, on Friday the 7th of June, and we will strike a sub-committee at the next Board meeting to put together a proper project outline and application for next year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lesley Milliken handed out the new Executive Board Manual which she and Carolyn have been working on, updating the yellow folders that have been in use for many years now and which were out of date in many respects. The new Manual will be considered a living document and updated as needed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Carolyn sent a copy of her correspondence with Steve Frankel, in which Steve outlined a proposal that TICA should join TIRRA in helping to lobby BC Ferries to allow special (reduced or free) student fares to students attending post-secondary school programs, colleges, university and or skills training programs. Although members of TICA may support this idea, it was felt that TICA does not represent the community in this sort of question – our mandate is purely to look after the hall and grounds - it is TIRRA that is the advocacy organization.

“EVEN BETTER IF...”:

Matt noted that Carolyn’s stated goal of keeping the Board meetings to two hours or less was desirable, and that she was attempting to achieve this by, among other things, limiting the number and type of items that make it onto the agenda. It was recognized that a lot of minor points can be dealt with between meetings, by email.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, July 2nd, 2013, at 9:30 am. It was noted that if you cannot attend, please be sure to let the chair know, so that we know in advance if there will not be a quorum.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

Veronica Shelford
TICA Secretary