

**WOODVALE COMMUNITY LEAGUE
MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 16, 2007**

PRESENT: Ran Newby, Heather Lajeunesse, Dennis Emmerling, Cheryl Emmerling, Paul Chiasson, Chacko Thomas, Neal Gray, Barry Headrick, Jacquie Breitreitz, Shawna Middleton, Gene Starling, Nancy Newby, Tammy Sales, Larry McDonald

GUESTS: Jay Row

REGRETS: Celeste Nicholson, Stuart du Kamp

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Ran Newby

MOTION:

To accept the minutes of December 19, 2006
Moved: Heather Lajeunesse
Second: Dennis Emmerling
Carried.

REPORTS:

Reported by: Barry Headrick, Treasurer

Barry submitted his report for information and told the group that we are on track for a record year (April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2007). He said that our total cash and deposits are nearly \$896,000.00.

Reported by: Jay Row, Community Services

Jay said that grant applications for summer programs will automatically come to the league office. He will work with the Woodvale office to get the forms completed. Summer programs will remain the same at a combined (Hillview/Greenview) cost of about \$2300.00 for 8 weeks.

Reported by: Cheryl Emmerling, Membership Sales

Cheryl reported is still selling memberships from home and she said that sales are going well.

Reported by: Chacko Thomas, Civic Liaison/MWPC

Chacko told the group that the First-Time Home Buyers Program is a done deal. He said that in the vote in City Council, no one voted against the proposal and only two council members abstained. The only objection put forward was the lack of consultation with the community. Chacko asked Neal Gray if he could ask his wife, Christina, if she could attend the February Mill Woods Presidents' Council meetings on behalf of the Board.

Reported by: by Gene Starling, Bingo

Gene reported that Parkway will be moving to the Riviera site on 51st Avenue in mid-March. She was not sure how the number of bingos allocated to each club would change. She said we may have to re-apply for our bingo license. Gene said that the existing patrons of the Parkway

hall seem to be okay with the move to 51st Avenue. She also told the group that the bingo on January 3rd had to be cancelled due to the club not showing up because of a storm. The patrons who did attend were given \$20.00 gift certificates.

Reported by: Shawna Middleton, Greenview School

Shawna said that vandalism issues at the school are being addressed by the possible assignment of a new EPS graduate who would volunteer to take on the project and provide advice and other policing services to the school.

Reported by: Neal Gray – EFCL/MCARFA

Neal will attend the January MCARFA meeting and report at the February Woodvale meeting. He said that the EFCL was planning an information meeting for community leagues affected by the First-Time Home Buyers program and that he and Ran will be attending the meeting. Ran reminded the Board that if, on behalf of Woodvale, he and Neal expressed any interest in being involved in the program that Woodvale could possibly be chosen as one of the pilot sites for the program. The Woodvale Board agreed that, if chosen, we would participate but would insist on involvement in the planning process.

Reported by: Dennis Emmerling, Canada Day

Dennis said that he would attend the next Canada Day meeting at the end of the month and report back at the February Board meeting. Heather said that, through the youth Pastor, the Hillview Baptist youth group have been asked to volunteer their services at the event.

Reported by: Ran Newby for Angela Schneider, Casino Chair

Ran received a letter from Gaming advising Woodvale that their next casino would take place in the second quarter (April, May, June) of 2008. The letter stated that this date was moved forward due to the opening of the new casino in Edmonton and the shortening of waiting times. The draw for the actual date for the event will take place in November 2007.

Reported by: Jacquie Breitreitz, Reimbursements

Jacquie said she had received a photocopy of a receipt for youth sports registration from a bingo worker. The worker did not want to submit the original receipt as the federal government will soon allow parents to use sports registrations for children as a tax deduction. Jacquie told this person that Woodvale (according to its bingo reimbursement policy) takes only original receipts for reimbursement and the Board supports that decision.

Reported by: Heather Lajeunesse for Celeste Nicholson, Publicity

Heather said that Celeste has received only the President's Message for the February newsletter. Dennis has a couple of items for insertion and he will get them to Celeste before January 19th.

Reported by: Paul Chiasson, 66th Street Sign

Paul reported that the February 3rd Family and Friends Ski Night is now advertised and that the Woodvale Valentine's Day dinner will go on the sign next.

CORRESPONDANCE

Nothing to report.

BUSINESS ARISING

Ski Night 2007

Heather reported that the plans for ski night are going smoothly. She is a little concerned that only 4 tickets have been sold to date. Paul assured her that most people will buy tickets about 7-10 days before the event as they wait to see what the weather will be. Paul said that his wife, Cindy, has sold 27 tickets to her friends at work.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominating Committee Chair for the April AGM

Nancy Newby volunteered to contact all of the sitting Board members to get their responses regarding sitting for another term from April 2007 to April 2008. She will report her findings at the February meeting. The Board will use the information to determine vacancies for the 2007-08 year and recruit for those positions.

Security Issues at the Skate Shack

Heather told the group that she was made aware that groups of teenagers are using the skate shack as a hang-out on cold winter days. They become noisy, rowdy and make the families using the building to get ready to skate very uncomfortable. Ran said he would ask Margaret to have the skate manager call the police whenever groups decide to use the shack for anything other than putting on or taking off skates.

Movie Pass Sales

Barry reported to the group that 723 passes had been sold to date. He said that 412 were sold for \$5.00 each and 311 were sold for \$7.00 each. The total revenue from the sale was \$4237.00 and the cost for the 723 passes was \$5039.31 for a League subsidy of \$802.31. We will continue to sell the passes at our cost (\$7.00 each) until our 2007-08 sales drive.

Expend Funds to Recognize Hal Williams' Service to Woodvale

Ran reported that Hal was unable to attend the meeting and the group asked Ran to take Hal Williams and family to dinner as a token of the Board's appreciation. Ran said committed to try to set up the dinner in the next few weeks.

MOTION:

Woodvale Community League to pay the bill for a dinner for Hal and Phyllis Williams for Hal's many years of service to the League.

Moved by: Dennis Emmerling
Second by: Shawna Middleton
Carried.

MOTION:

To adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Moved by: Larry McDonald

Carried

NEXT MEETING – February 20, 2007