

GREATER VICTORIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Board Meeting at Chamber Offices 22 July 2014

Present:

Frank Bourree (Chair), Al Hasham, Kathleen Burton, Natasha Reger, Capt. (N) Luc Cassivi,

Darlene Hollstein, Sang-Kiet Ly, Ryan Burles, Mark Smith, Nigel Brown, Gary Kinar, Dee

Govang, Mark Mawhinney, Bruce Carter (CEO), Janet Crocker (Staff)

Regrets:

Dan Dagg, Rose Arsenault, John Wilson, Tom Roemer, Richard Van Leeuwen, Jared

Webb

1) Motion to approve July agenda.

a. Additions or deletions

Add: Membership rates discussion Remove: June financial statements

Moved by

Kathleen Burton

Seconded by

Luc Cassivi

Carried

2) Motion to approve June board minutes.

Moved by

Mark Mawhinney

Seconded by

Mark Smith

Carried

3) Chair's Remarks

a. Chamber Meetings

Chair provided updates. Busy with many meetings involving sewage treatment and Our Vibrant Community Committee.

Chair noted the great turn out for our July Mixer with the Harbour Cats.

4) CEO Report

a. Economic Development - Update

The Chamber has received the first payment from WD. Line of Credit was approved with increased rate for 1.25% over prime. GDVA currently finalizing agreement with partner agencies.

b. Amalgamation survey

The Chamber, with partners, conducted an amalgamation survey. Results to be released next week (July 29) at media event.

5) Cruise Ships

James Bay Neighbourhood Association sent letters to all cruise ships regarding emissions. JBNA sent letter to City requesting maximum of two cruise ship arrivals at a time.

The Chamber to write letter of support to cruise ships and Times Colonist editor.

1. Our Vibrant Community

c. Fundraising- no change

d. Manning Centre Training

Event received a lot of media, Chair on CBC, CFAX two times, and CHEK News. Broad spectrum of candidates from all over our region. Feedback was very positive.

e. Next Steps

Chamber priorities surrounding the election

7) Policies for approval

a. Equitable Police Funding (Updated BC Chamber 2014 AGM)

Motion: for board to approve policy with amended recommendation.

1. "address as a priority, the issue of equitable police funding by developing an equitable funding program for all B.C municipalities; and"

Moved by

Mark Mawhinney

Seconded by

Dee Govang

Carried

8) Governance

a. Board nominations

Board information session on July 23rd, deadline for nominations August 7th.

b. Committee Appointments

i. GVDA

Motion: To appoint Bruce Williams and Dave Gagnon to the GVDA Board

Moved by

Sang-Kiet Ly

Seconded by Darlene Hollstein

Carried

ii. Governance Committee

Motion: to appoint Kathleen Burton to the Governance Committee

Moved by

Darlene Hollstein

Seconded by Luc Cassivi

Carried

c. Airport Authority Nomination

Note: Darlene left room for board deliberations. Sang Ly abstained from vote.

Four nominations were received.

Motion: Board to forward nomination of Darlene Hollstein and Rod Dewar to the Victoria Airport Authority.

Moved by

Mark Smtih

Seconded by Al Hasham

Carried

d. Bylaw changes

Update: change Chair term to two years, including 1st and 2nd Vice Chair. Changes must go to membership for approval. Recommendations including timeframe to be made to the Board in August.

Motion: Bylaw changes completed by the end of September.

Moved by

Dee Govang

Seconded by

Kathleen Burton

Carried

9) Prodigy Group

a. Amazing Race

Mark Smith reported on the event. Great event with post-event report provided. Island Saving expressed interest for next year. Chair to send note to Prodigy Group.

10) 2015 Event Committees

a. February Chair's Ball

New committee to be formed for event.

b. 1st Annual Chamber BBQ

New committee to be formed for event.

11) Peer Advisory Group Task Force

- a. Membership
- b. Mandate

Natasha, Dee, Dan, Rose and Cheryl working on Task Force. Currently reviewing best practices.

12) NEW BUSINESS

Information Items

13) Committee Reports

- a. Executive Committee
- b. GVDA
- c. Policy
- d. Prodigy
- e. Finance and Audit
- f. Governance
- g. Our Vibrant Community
- h. Community Involvement (in abeyance)

14) Standing Reports

- a. Events Registration
- b. Executive Dashboard
- c. Membership Report
- d. Board Attendance Report

Motion to adjourn.

Moved by

Mark Smith

Seconded by

Luc Cassivi

Chair

Carried

Next Meeting: Tuesday August 26th

Secretary

Date