

**Briarwood Community Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Tuesday, February 4, 2013 - 8:15 p.m.  
Briarwood Recreation Centre**

Present: Chad Schatz, Valerie MacDonald, Chuck Miles, Ted Llewellyn, Cory Henderson, Laddy Hemeon, Bev Pongracz, Lou Anne Turcotte, Amy Sturgeon, Prem Sharma, Bruce Richet, Yan Wu, Art Lord (Community Consultant)

Regrets: Cory Henderson, Sima Arnold, Brandon Bishop, Kaveh Lotfian, Annie Meng

Guest: Anurag Dalai, Danielle Schau (U of S student)

1. Call to order – 8:24 pm
2. Approval of agenda
  - Add Park Police to Discussion – Bev
  - Add website renewal to new business
  - Move Community Gardening discussion to beginning of meeting
  - Motion to approve – Bruce; second – Laddy; carried
3. Community Gardening: the idea of a community garden was presented by students from the U of S College of Agriculture and Bioresources who are doing a project based on community gardening. A brochure was provided that outlined community gardening (benefits, suitable areas and things to consider) and the process of acquiring land. Overall, the idea was well received by the board. The decision was made to place the information from the brochure within the next newsletter and await a response from the community to see what kind of interest is present before proceeding with the project.
4. Motion to adopt January, 2013 minutes – Ted; second – Bev; carried
5. Business arising from minutes – the application for the Lotteries Grant was completed by Bev with help from Bruce.
6. Correspondence – emails as usual with general questions
7. Community Consultant Report – Art Lord
  - See attached report
  - Highlights included: handed out cards to become an instructor for your CA in an attempt to find more people and get them involved; Family in *motion* Day is February 18<sup>th</sup>. In motion encourages CA to offer opportunities for families to be active on this special day (such as skating, building a snowman, etc); Volunteer Appreciation Night on March 28<sup>th</sup> at the Western Development Museum; Indoor coordinator workshop (9:30-11:30am) followed by a CA Trade Show will be held on April 13<sup>th</sup> at Prairieland Park. This trade show is a place to display what the CA has actually done and share their experiences. Art provided a display board for us to use if we wish.
  - Email from Elim Church who have volunteers to help with community projects

- Discussion about coordinating soccer with Lakeridge as they are losing their soccer coordinator. The outdoor soccer numbers are quite high, therefore there would be a lot of work involved for Laddy. Laddy would like more information before making a decision. The Board will be behind whatever Laddy wants to do.
8. Director Reports
- a. President – Chad Schatz
    - Transitioned Rec Centre responsibilities, email to Lou Anne
    - Maintained online registration website
    - Investigated other merchant account options
  - b. Past-president – Tracey Kushniruk - none
  - c. Vice-president – vacant
  - d. Secretary – Valerie MacDonald
    - Organized attendance of U of S students to discuss Community Gardening
    - Replied to emails regarding new volunteers, newsletter advertising and forwarding email to appropriate persons
  - e. Treasurer – Ted Llewellyn
    - See financial report
    - \$38490.32 is in the bank
    - The budget has been updated.
    - Park enhancement bill was less than expected so we will have about \$5000 extra
    - Motion: to renew the website for 2 years at \$323.78 plus tax – Ted; second – Bruce; carried.
  - f. Indoor Program Coordinator – Sima Arnold
    - Registration night held on January 3/13 with the following registrants: Boot Camp – 6 people; Beginner Yoga – 10 in person and 5 online; Core Strength – 5 in person, 4 online; Family Swim – sold 4 spots; Intermediate Yoga – 4 in person and 8 online; Kettlebell – 8 in person and 2 online; Stretch and Sculpt – 2 in person and 3 online.
  - g. Team Sports Coordinator – Laddy Hemeon
    - Registration night on February 26<sup>th</sup>
    - Needs a newsletter to go out ASAP to advertise flag football and soccer
    - Motion – to purchase medals for the indoor soccer players for no more than \$400
    - Requested that cheques for online registration be mailed to Laddy’s address
  - h. Communications Coordinator – Yan Wu
    - Updated website
    - Next newsletter deadline – needs to be delivered to Canada Post by Feb 12<sup>th</sup>. Bev and Laddy will send info to Yan by end of the week.
    - Yan will let Glen of BlackSun Inc know we are going with the 2 year plan.
  - i. Civics Coordinator – Bruce Richet
    - Request for a cessation order through CP Rail is still being following u with the C of S.

Awaiting an update on any discussions/correspondence by the city.

- Supported Bev with Lotteries Grant Application to C of S
  - Meeting held with Ward 8 councillor Eric Olauson on January 23 to review BCA issues and strategic plans concerning the city. Some items were: Priority snow removal routes should include Briarwood Road N & S, Briargate Road, Briarvale Road and Braeside View; General snow removal issues like Rec Ctr parking and street ruts; Capital Budget – request confirmation of new hard surface pathway on 8<sup>th</sup> Street South side between Boychuk and Briargate; Request for regular and enhanced communications between BCA and C of S. Suggested a meeting in early spring and early fall with C of S staff to discuss issues, expectations, etc as we go into the seasons.
  - Concern about lack of a BCA Strategic planning session may not allow for proper scheduling/support of activities, efficient capital expenditures, sufficient advertising/volunteer solicitation and thus possibly create Board/membership frustration.
- j. Parks and Green Space Coordinator – Cory Henderson - None
- k. Volunteer/Membership Coordinator – Amy Sturgeon - None
- l. Rink Coordinator – Chuck Miles
- Motion: To replace the fender on the quad for no more \$320 – Chuck; Ted – second; carried
  - Pond has been quiet because it's been quite cold
- m. Recreation Centre – Lou Anne Turcotte
- 3 rentals and upcoming rentals
- n. Social – Bev Pongracz
- Completed application for City of Saskatoon Lotteries Grant
  - Cookies, drinks and dog cookies available at the Rec Centre on February 18<sup>th</sup> – come play at the pond, go sledding, shinny on the basketball court – from 1-4pm.
  - April – Wacky Wizard could put on 2 shows for \$200/show.
- Motion: To book the Wacky Wizard for April – Bev; Val – second.
- o. Director-at-large – Prem Sharma - None
- p. Director-at-large – Brandon Bishop – None
- q. Director-at-large – Kaveh Lotfian – None
- r. Director-at-large – Annie Meng - None
9. Old Business - None
10. New Business
- a. Social Event Planning – further discussion about upcoming plans to be discussed at upcoming meetings
  - b. Change poll question – agreed to change it to question about community gardening.
  - c. Mission statements: need to come up with them – need to be short – what does the community need to be; to be discussed at the next meeting

11. Discussion

- a. Soccer goal with nets – our guest Anurag Dalai discussed about his experience in California where the parks had soccer nets in place to actually “catch the ball”. He has had discussion with Eric Olauson about the possibility of having the same thing in our Ward as well. It was decided that Mr Dalai would gather further information and provide the board with estimates of cost of permanent nets and how we could work with the City to help.

12. Motion to Adjourn – Ted – 10:16 pm

Date of next meeting – March 5, 2013 at 8:15pm