



**Southeast Vancouver Seniors
Arts and Cultural Society
Meeting # 40**
**Room 202 Killarney Community Centre
6260 Killarney St. Vancouver BC**
Thursday May 26, 2011 at 10:30 AM

Minutes

Present: Bert Massiah CCS, Lorna Gibbs (Chair), George Grant VFK, George Anderson, Margaret Homonnay CHCC, Manfred Hagen CHCC, Barbara Warner, Wendy Emslander, Mohinder Sidhu, Abdul Shaikh Pres. CHCC, Gene Humel, Rosa Cheng, Jean MacPherson, Pat Deibert, Joan Wright SVNH.

Regrets: Keith Jacobson KCC, Kamlesh Sethi, Florence Fung, Amarjeet Gill, Linda Hagen, John & Helen Pawluk, Jagit Kaur Mann, Florence Fung, Mabel Leung, Rajinder Pendakur, Margaret Gilbert, Joyce Leong, Mike Gong, Jim Lin, Arleen Cave, Chris Podlecki KCC, Jody Gunderson CHCC, Margaret Vasicek CHCC, Jukka Vuorma SCC, Charito Gailling VCH, Constable Heather Brown CPC, Louise Seto SVC, Tom Chin, Leah Dalton, Donna Davies, Gail McKay SVPC, Des Burke, Philip Mah, Harjinder Hothi,

1. Introductions & Welcome

2. Approval of Agenda - Moved by Burt Massiah, 2nd Manfred Hagen, carried

3. Guest Speaker: Joan Wright of SVNH showed ***The Remaining Light*** a 29-minute video jointly presented by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives and the (CCPA) and the Hospital Employees' Union (HEU). To view go to:

<http://www.policyalternatives.ca/projects/seniors-care>

Two members shared their personal experiences of caring for the elderly.

The 1st Ombudsman Report on Seniors Care was published in 2009. A 2nd Report is expected in 2011. Joan will email information about the 2nd report when it is available.

A training program for outreach volunteers is expected to be ready in the fall as part of the **Hub** project. Joan will pass information along as soon as it is available.

4. Minutes of Meeting of 39

5. Approval of Minutes of meeting 39 – Moved by Abdul Shaikh, 2nd by Bert Massiah, carried.

6. Reports:

Presidents Report – Lorna – SVSACS is a partner in the SVNH Hub project. Hub is a three-year project intended to coordinate the delivery of seniors programs and services in South Vancouver. Other partners are: Champlain Heights, Killarney and Sunset Community Centres and SUCCESS.

- River District, the name for East Fraser Lands, officially opens June 11, 2011. There is a children's playground and a restaurant at the south foot of Kerr and a community room available. Only six free parking spots provided. Public transportation not yet available.

ParkLane homes' is seeking stories of the White Pine Mill that was on the site.

- EarthDay was again a success. Lorna thanked those who assisted.
- The Killarney Community Centre Strawberry Tea is sold out but there is a waiting list.
- Introduced Rosa Cheng Artistic and Administrative Director of Vancouver Cantonese Opera Assoc. Rosa sang at our Mixing Bowl book launch and will sing at the Strawberry Tea June 6. Rosa has agreed to become a director of SVSACS.

- Rosa will sing at the upcoming Victoria Drive Festival August 14 and may entertain at Champlain Heights Community Centre Summer Fair June 4, 2011.

Lorna reviewed the Town Meeting of May 13, 2011 at the Unitarian Church. Generally, people are dissatisfied with the CoV consultation process. It is felt that planners are not receptive to community input.

- Alice Wong of Richmond is the New Minister of State for Seniors. Wai Young was elected in South Vancouver. Once they have set up their constituency offices SVSACS will open a dialog with them.

- Killarney CC has received a grant to construct a wall of golden birch panels called *The Earth Makers Project*.

- A video of the book launch is being prepared and will be available on our web site soon.

- Our petition and other supporting documents are ready and Lorna will present soon.

7. Discussion and Business Arising- Bert spoke about the Four Pillars Project that is being reactivated. Bert was involved in the original and will participate again.

– June 13, 2011 – SVSACS Annual General Meeting – Champlain Heights Community Centre – Champlain Room, 2nd floor, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm.

8. **South Hill Festival** - Saturday May 28, 2011 Noon to 4:00 pm. The Festival takes place in the parking lots West of Fraser Street between East 46th Ave. and East 48th Ave.– SVSACS display is on East 47th Ave. ½ block west of Fraser Street.

9. **Champlain Heights CC Summer Fair** – Saturday June 4, 2011 – 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. SVSACS and VFK will jointly display at booths 5 and 6 along the eastern edge of CHCC parking lot, weather permitting, otherwise indoors.

10. Change free movie day to Tuesday? – Tabled.

11. Digital Camera Workshop – Dates established – **fully booked** – George to contact participants.

12 New Business – none arose

13 Adjournment – the meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.

June Movie Friday June 24: *Ladies in Lavender* at CHCC. Tea and talk with light refreshments from 1:00 pm. Movie starts at 1:30 pm.

May 28, 2011 – South Hill festival – Fraser Street Noon – 4:00 pm

June 4, 2011 – Champlain Heights Summer Fair 11:00 AM – 4:00 pm

June 1, 2011 – City of Vancouver Transportation Plan - Killarney Community Centre 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

June 6, 2011 – Strawberry Tea - Killarney Community Centre 1:00 – 3:00 pm.

June 7, 2011 – Camera workshop #1 – 10:30 am Champlain Library – Champlain Mall

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June 14, 2011 – Camera workshop #2 - 10:30 am Champlain Library – Champlain Mall

June 21, 2011 – Camera workshop #3 - 10:30 am Champlain Library – Champlain Mall

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