



**Southeast Vancouver Seniors Arts
And Cultural Centre Society**
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Meeting # 65
Champlain Heights Community Centre
Thursday May 22, 2014 at 10:30AM
www.SVSACS.org – 604-325-0163
Our Goal: a Dedicated Seniors Centre

Minutes

Present: Lorna Gibbs, George Grant, Donna Davies, Philip Mah, Tom Chin, Gail McKay, Ramesh Kalia, Kamlesh Sethi, Pat Deibert, Pietro Cassano, Keith Jacobson, Tom Holmes, George Jung, Sharon Tong.

1. Call to Order – 10:00 am Lorna Gibbs in the chair
2. Approval of Agenda – moved by Donna Davies, 2nd by George Jung, carried.
3. Minutes of Meeting 64 – No issues
4. Approval of Minutes of Meeting 64 – moved by Philip Mah, 2nd by Pat Deibert, carried.
5. Reports - President – Attended April 23 at Killarney where the Hon. Suzanne Anton announced that provincial funding has been increased by \$1.2 million. Thank you to all who attended;
 - Attended luncheon honouring Manfred Hagen for his many years of service to CHCC, Everett Crawley Park, SVSACS and many other activities in our community.
 - Attended at Kerrisdale Seniors Centre to observe and inspect their very fine centre.
 - Attended May 20, with 19 other SVSACS members, MP Wai Young's gala evening. The event showcased the many fine talents in our community.
 - Reported on the letter received by the CoV May 15th 2014 from the Minister of Infrastructure, Communities and Intergovernmental Affairs, Minister Denis Lebel informing us that approval-in-principle (AiP) has been granted for the expenditure of federal funds (\$2.5 million announced January 7, 2014 by MP Young) towards the construction of our long sought Seniors Addition at Killarney. The dates mentioned in the letter, start date in 2016, are a concern. Keith noted that several processes had to take place before there is full commitment from the federal government. They include the submission of Architectural drawings, budget and yearly cash flow estimates before the final *contribution agreement* is signed.
 - Clr. Raymond Louie is pursuing clarification of the time line and conditions.
 - We hope stakeholders will be consulted in a meaningful way about the design of the facility.
 - A governance model must be prepared. Kerrisdale has a successful operating plan.
 - Tom Chin has videos available on U-Tube of the April 23 announcement.
- Our AGM is June 19. **See note below. Offices to be filled: President, Secretary and four Directors.**
Nominations: Pat and Donna; Des will handle elections.
Joan Wright will purchase refreshments. Jean will assist with hospitality.
6. Presentation by Margaret and George of COSCO on ***Wills and Estate Planning***. For the complete presentation please see the attached .PDF file.

Synopsis:

- A **Will** is absolutely necessary to ensure that your estate is distributed as you wish.
- You must sign your Will in the presence of two witnesses who must not be beneficiaries or spouses of beneficiaries. There is no need for the witnesses to read the Will.
- Choose an executor who agrees to perform the necessary duties and is younger than you.
- You should review and update your Will regularly and register, safeguard and store it.
- Do not store your Will in a Safety Deposit Box as the box may be difficult to access.
- You may change your Will by writing a Codicil. Sign the Codicil in the presence of two witnesses. These witnesses need not be the original witnesses. Beneficiaries or their spouses cannot be witnesses.
- You can prepare your Will from a Will Kit or have it prepared by a Notary or Lawyer. If your estate is complicated or you have minor children best to have it prepared professionally.

See the attached .pdf file for more detail and a list of resources.

7. New Business – Champlain Heights Community Centre Spring Fair June 7, 2014. SVSACS will have a table and display. Event starts at 11:00 am and runs to 3:00 pm. Kamlesh and Ramesh have volunteered their time. Additional Volunteers needed. Please contact the Secretary by email or phone 604-321-3067 if you can spare an hour or two to assist.

8. Adjournment – 12:10 pm, moved by George Jung, 2nd by Pat Deibert, carried.

Lorna reminded members to print the Agenda and Minutes and bring them to our meetings.

Next Luncheon/Movie: June 4, 2014 – ***Family Weekend*** - Luncheon reservations may be made May 21 thru May 29 - call CHCC 604-718-6575 to reserve your seat.

Annual General Meeting - June 19th at Killarney CC, 7:30 pm Room 202.

Refreshments will be available following the AGM. **Please note, that while all are welcome, only members holding 2014 memberships taken out by May 20 are eligible to vote.**

SVSACS PARTNERS are all working together to get a real Seniors Centre for you!



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