MEMBERS PRESENT:
Sarah Lumley, Chair
Madeline Shred
Kent MacDonald
Bri Odgers
Kennedy Barbossa
Aakash Pawar

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Claudia Thompson
Tali Campbell
Cassidy Sanford
Coleman Kaps
Malcom Beaton
Samantha Bishop

STAFF PRESENT:
Jerry Hong (Council)
John Horn, Social Planner

OTHERS PRESENT:

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 4:35 pm.

2. Approval of the Agenda and Late Items
The agenda was approved as presented.

3. Adoption of Minutes
The minutes of the April 29, 2015 meeting were reviewed but not adopted as a quorum was lacking.

4. Old Business

1. Discussion of float for Heritage days parade May 17th –
   o Jerry H outlined the vehicle that is available; a 28 ft flat bed trailer attached to a truck.
   o Theme for the float discussed – group settled on Slide as the theme to concur with the Slide the City event this summer
   o A bubble machine is available for the float
   o Need for music – Jerry will arrange for speakers and a way to play music
○ Need a sign for the float – will use coreplast and make signs for the event that advertise the slide the city event (if it is confirmed by then) and that also has the NYAC name on it
○ Group agreed a $500 budget allocation from the NYAC budget for the float, this will need to be ratified when a quorum is present
○ Identified that the NYAC will need access to the truck and trailer before the event so it can be decorated – maybe May 15th or 16th
○ Question of where the trailer would be parked when NYAC works on it before the parade – Jerry indicated that in the past the Port Authority warehouse on the assembly warf was used as an indoor space where parade entrants could prepare their floats indoors – Jerry to follow up on the availability of that for the NYAC parade vehicle
○ Discussion of the layout of the float; will have a slide plus lots of swim floats plus lots of decorations
○ Jerry to provide hay bales to make the slide base
○ Group to go shopping on the next NYAC meeting date May 13th for decorations, slide, beachballs etc
○ Jerry to bring some 2X4’s to create a fence around the flat deck trailer
○ Jerry to provide palm trees for the float
○ Kennedy to speak to the Mid Island CO-OP about accessing some financial support for NYAC parade costs – will request $250
○ Jerry to bring a generator to power music, bubble machine etc on the float
○ So far available on May 17th to participate in the parade are; Aakash, Kennedy, Sara, Madeline, Bri
○ Request for some photos of NYAC in action for City communications officer Philip Cooper

2. Slide the City event awaiting approval by Island Health re water usage, discussion about what NYAC would do to enhance, suggestion that members review YouTube videos of Slide the City and other similar events and watch what is going on in the background for ideas for Nanaimo.

3. Business cards – a proof of the proposed NYAC cards was shown to members – approved with the addition of “Like us on Facebook” – John to confirm order for 250 to be paid from NYAC budget

4. Gmail account set up for NYAC email – password is; nyac2014rei

5. Arrangements to have a group photo taken not coming together, agreement to let it happen naturally and meanwhile we will try to develop more pictures to populate our proposed web page with

5. **New Business**

1. Jerry discussed that other communities on the Island have youth councils and maybe at some point we can meet up with some of them

2. NYAC to attend a Council meeting at some point after the parade to provide an update on NYAC activities.

6. **Meeting Adjourned**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 pm.
Next meeting – **Wednesday, May 13th at 4:30 at 411 Dunsmuir Street** - ***shopping expedition for float materials main agenda item***