

NOTES
REGULAR CULTURAL COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE BOWEN PARK COMPLEX CONFERENCE ROOM
WEDNESDAY, 2010-NOV-17, COMMENCING AT 4:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Eveline O'Rourke, Chair

Members: Commissioner Diana Johnstone
Commissioner Shirley Lance
Commissioner Fred Pattje
Commissioner Lynda Avis
Ms. Joanne Husband
Ms. Gerda Hofman
Mr. Simon Schachner

Regrets: Ms. Jeorge McGladrey

Staff: S. Samborski B. Kuhn R. Tweed, recording

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting of the Cultural Committee was called to order at 4:02 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

It was moved and seconded that the Agenda be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

4. ADOPTION OF MEETING NOTES:

(a) Meeting Notes of the Regular Cultural Committee Meeting held Wednesday, 2010-OCT-13, at 4:15 p.m., in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room.

It was moved and seconded that the Meeting Notes be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

5. DELEGATIONS: (None.)

6. COMMISSION REPORT: (Commissioner Lance.)

Commissioner Lance advised that three matters related to the Cultural Committee were reviewed by the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission at their regular, open meeting held on Wednesday, 2010-OCT-27:

- (a) Acceptance of Lynne Fraser's letter of resignation from the Cultural Committee;
- (b) Adoption of the Cultural Committee Recommendation on City Purchase of Temporary Public Art; and,
- (c) Motion by the PRCC to involve the community by having them vote to select the most popular piece of Temporary Public Art.

It was moved and seconded that the Commission Report presented by Commissioner Lance be received. The motion carried unanimously.

7. REPORTS OF PROJECT COMMITTEES:

- (a) Cultural Award Committee.
- (b) Art in Public Places Project Committee.

The Temporary Public Art Auction was held at Maffeo Sutton on 2010-OCT-22. There was a low turn out; however, it was a first event and needs to build momentum by being held on a consistent date and time in future years. First year was a learning curve for everybody.

Palm trees were purchased and will be removed when all the art gets removed. The small one that was at Maffeo Sutton was auctioned off. There was a reserve on the larger one and the reserve was not met; therefore, not sold.

It was moved and seconded that the verbal report be received. The motion carried unanimously.

- (c) Cultural Forum Project Committee. (Membership to be revisited in January 2011)

8. STAFF REPORTS: (None.)

9. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS (staff reports): (Verbal)

Marketing team is working on the 2011 PRC Marketing Plan. With regard to the Cultural Committee, Hannah King, Marketing and Communications Specialist, would like to attend the 2011-JAN-05 Cultural Committee meeting and give a presentation on a marketing plan proposal and brain-storm for input on how to highlight the Cultural Committee to the community. There will be information coming out in mid-December in preparation for the 2011-JAN-05 meeting.

10. CORRESPONDENCE: (Action)

- (a) Correspondence from Ms. Sara Frisch, President, Malaspina Choir, to members of the Cultural Committee, advising of the 40th anniversary celebration of the Choir, including their 2010-2011 Choral Series brochure, and extending an invitation to the Committee for two of their members to attend as guests of the Choir at the anniversary Concert and Gala Reception at the Port Theatre on Sunday, 2010-NOV-14 at 2:00 p.m.

(Note: Tickets for the Concert and Gala Reception following were utilized by Shirley Lance and guest.)

Commissioner Lance advised that it was a marvellous event. The organizers asked every single person who had ever sung in the Choir to come up and sing the very last song – a song of freedom. Everyone was thrilled to be so included.

CORRESPONDENCE: (Information) (None.)

11. GRANT REVIEWS:

It was moved and seconded that the late applications for both the Arts, Cultural and Festival Events grants, and the Cultural Operating grants, would be accepted for review, and that the application form and criteria for both grant processes will be amended to clarify the deadline. The motion carried unanimously.

(a) Arts, Cultural and Festival Events Grants.

It was determined that the following groups would be interviewed:

- Nanaimo African Heritage Society;
- The Beat of the Street;
- Nanaimo Blues Society;
- Celtic Performing Arts (Celtfest);
- FRINGETASTIC! (Nanaimo's Fringe Festival);
- Nanaimo Musicians Association Society (Pygmy Ballroom);
- Nanaimo Sings! Choral Festival Society;
- Vancouver Island Children's Book Festival; and,
- L'Association des francophone de Nanaimo.

(b) Cultural Operating Grants.

It was determined that the following groups would be interviewed:

- Nanaimo Blues Society;
- British Columbia Boys Choir;
- FRINGETASTIC!;
- Nanaimo Theatre Group; and,
- L'Association des francophone de Nanaimo.

(c) Set meeting dates for interviews.

Meeting dates for the interviews were set as follows:

- Monday, 2010-NOV-29, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (6 groups to be interviewed)
- Tuesday, 2010-DEC-07, 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. (5 groups to be interviewed)

All candidates will be advised that 20 minutes is being allocated for each interview and that they have 10 minutes to present to the Committee with the remaining 10 minutes utilized as a question period by the Committee.

12. NOTICE OF MOTION:

13. CONSIDERATION OF OTHER BUSINESS:

- (a) Open House & Fund Raising Event for Nanaimo Centre Stage on 2010-NOV-23.

Gerda Hofman wished to advise the Cultural Committee members of the upcoming Nanaimo Centre Stage "120 for 120" Open House and Fundraising Campaign Launch event to be held on 2010-NOV-23, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at 25 Victoria Road.

Centre for the Arts – Nanaimo is endeavouring to raise \$120,000 in 2011 for Nanaimo Centre Stage celebrating it's 120th birthday. Proceeds will go towards renovations and equipment for this small performance space, with local, small performance groups (theatre, dance, music) and non profit groups benefiting from this campaign.

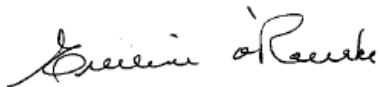
14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS:

15. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

16. QUESTION PERIOD:

17. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 5:04 p.m. that the meeting adjourn, with the next regular meeting of the Cultural Committee to be held Wednesday, 2011-JAN-05, commencing at 4:15 p.m., in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room. The motion carried unanimously.



Eveline O'Rourke, Chair
Cultural Committee

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



S. Samborski, Senior Manager
Recreation and Culture Services

APPROVED FOR DISTRIBUTION:



Richard Harding, Director
Parks, Recreation and Culture