

NEPEAN SENIORS CENTRE BOARD

BOARD MEETING

September 14, 2024

Present: Steve McIntyre (Chair), Dorothy Latour (Volunteer Co-ordinator), Terry Mayne (Webmaster), Frank Carbonette (Communications Co-ordinator), Verna Toy (Treasurer), Normajean Barry (Member at Large), Karim Ahmed (Programme Co-ordinator).

Absent: Janet Laframboise (Past Chair)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA –Verna Toy seconded by Dorothy Latour.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES–Terry Mayne seconded by Normajean Barry.

REPORTS

CHAIR

Steve McIntyre initiated a discussion re: the upcoming Health Events Seminar sponsored by Sean Devine. Frank Carbonette was asked to reconsider postponing his Health Event to a later date in light of a conflict, but to have a table at the Health Event instead.

The Annual General Meeting will be held September 26, 2024. Tables will be provided for all events that will be represented. There will be coffee, tea and water provided.

Karim was telling the Board about the somewhat new Social Board Games evening that is being held on Wednesday evenings from 4:30 to 8:30 pm. It has not been advertised much as Karim would like to increase the numbers, but slowly. None of the Board Members were aware of this game night.

TREASURER

The GIC has been renewed but Verna stressed that it can be broken at any time.

Verna also presented the August financial statement.

Verna also thanked Karim for his excellent contribution to the Ice Cream Social. He really did a splendid job which was much appreciated by the Board.

WEBMASTER

Terry Mayne gave his resignation from the Board effective the Annual General Meeting. Even though he is resigning, he will continue to carry on with the website, which is going very well. The Board Chair, Steve McIntyre offered his sadness at Terry's resignation and thanked him for his contributions over the eight years he has been on the Board. For the time being he will continue to retain his signing authority.

VOLUNTEER CO-ORDINATOR

Dorothy has been tracking the volunteer hours and presently it stands as 1,349.5 hours.

COMMUNICATIONS CO-ORDINATOR

Frank reported on the upcoming Bridge Tournament on October 19. It will be from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Frank is hoping to have 5 tables of play in the morning and 5 tables in the afternoon. Participants will bring their own lunch and Frank will provide dessert. Posters will be put up and invitations will be sent to the other centres.

PROGRAM CO-ORDINATOR

Karim gave the Board his vision of the new event for Halloween which will be held October 21. Participants will be given poker chips (pretend) as there will be a place to play. Karim would like to have three really spectacular gift baskets that can be displayed in his office prior to the event to entice more sign ups. There would be a gourmet basket, a book lover's basket, and a craft/hobby basket. There will be other games, brain teasers as an example. There will be a photo booth and lunch. He wants to increase the level of excitement and engagement. With that being said, hopefully this would increase excitement for further events the centre will hold.

A vote was taken to contribute \$700 towards the gift baskets. Passed.

September 9, 2024 the Coordinator Convenors meeting was held and all went well. Everyone felt that there was a need for more promotion. A point was made that there should be more communications with the Board. Terry floated the idea that an "impersonal" email should be set up and any questions that arise would be passed on to the convenor who would then email the Board. It was felt to be a good idea.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Frank offered to contact the four retirement homes regarding the AGM.

The Christmas Breakfast will be held December 9. It was felt that there was no need to have a special meeting for the Halloween event as the next regularly scheduled meeting is October 9.

ADJOURNMENT

Terry Mayne seconded by Verna Toy.

NEXT MEETING

Next Board meeting will be October 9 at 10:00.