

CPCA Meeting Minutes, June 25, 2015
Murphy Residence, 7:00pm-8:30pm

In attendance: Michael Murphy, Paul Pastor, Randy Spilchen, Leanne Gruending, Andrea Harris, Gregg Parchomchuk & Mark Planchot

1. Approve the draft agenda: Approved
2. Approval of the May minutes: Approved
3. Finances: Paul Pastor is still awaiting bank statements and preparing for Rina to come into the treasurer position. Signatures will need to be arranged at AGM to make this change official. Mark offered to assist with this transition.
4. Programmes Team: Leanne has been in contact with previous instructors and has heard back from a few. During discussions with Lisa, Leanne advised that we will have access to gym in October. Renovations are affecting the gym and available times are in flux as construction questions remain. The Commons area used for yoga will need to be utilized by others. The basement space is not large enough to accommodate certain programs so we expect status quo on fall programs and a fuller slate for winter programs.

As scheduling could be in flux, registration for September but could be pushed to later date if required. It was reported that the library will not be touched by school renovations.

As noted earlier, SUM theatre will be performing on July 17th. A porta-potty has been booked by Andrea. Other kids activities have been suggested for event, building on the play's Hercules themes. A popcorn concession was suggested and could be used as a possible fundraising drive per Randy.

5. Newsletter and blog: Gregg noted the upcoming issue would be created in July. He raised questions with Paul on advertising revenues for advertising, with Paul agreeing to use a list of advertisers for Rina. Gregg agreed to assist with a flyer/brochure for the SUM theatre event, promoting participation in CPCA.
6. Community Consultant Report: Mark gave an update on Kinsmen Park (due to open this summer) and Mendel Art Gallery Re-Use Plan (Gallery closes June 2015). Kinsmen Park phase 2 upgrades would be sent to council for approval The Children's Discovery Museum is set to open around Fall 2017. The conservatory and lobby area will remain open during this time. Executive members were advised to contact the Gallery directly to ask about bookings. Mark's report also

discussed the Mentioned the Active Transportation Plan and Spring Graffiti Clean Up Report.

7. Other business: Mark noted that he will return as CPCA community consultant in 2015/2016. Michael reported on the Volunteer Appreciation Event – it was an enjoyable event and encouraged members to go next year. Michael asked executive members to reflect on what CPCA achieved in the past year. Via her email, Carla advised that the Toy Library was a success, with some challenges at times. Randy commented that not enough was achieved as the winter carnival event was cancelled due to weather and no summer event was planned. He would assist with table setup for Sum Theatre and advised that volunteer brochures were required. Overall, it was a good season for our new rink. Leanne was congratulated for her indoor co-ordination but did note some disappointment about fall and planning. Paul advised that he was excited about a new treasurer joining CPCA, after some difficulty with time commitments during 2015. All executive members noted their support for the wine night, showcasing how successful an event can be when organized by someone with passion. Although CPCA did not host a movie night in the park, the North Park community association did provide one.

Plans for 2015-16 are in progress, with more programs being proposed. We would look at art classes, cooking classes, and other classes targeting younger participants (ie.parent/child). There is difficulty with parent child events as available time/space is short with the school closure. We are likely to repeat parent/child yoga, as well as a wine night in the upcoming year. Randy advised that Ingredients interested in having CPCA back on a beer night, perhaps featuring more Saskatchewan brewing products. Program registration for September but could be pushed to later date if required. The City Park library will not be touched by school renovations. Rink nights will continue, along with a rink day (not a carnival) in possible partnership with North Park.

Other potential ideas include an art night, which could feature an evening at CP where a dozen local artists displayed and sold their wares. City Park has many local artists. Paul reminded the executive of many past events that have occurred in the past. These included art night, spring cleanup along railway bridge to cleanup back alleys, BBQ in front of shop easy, carnival in field, and a halloween dance. Some events have faded in popularity or have been picked up by north park. Randy discussed the need for a spring carnival but advised that fresh volunteers are needed, preferring a committee format. Paul concurred, suggesting that the AGM presented an opportunity to engage new volunteers. Members debated the use of: volunteers as a resources that are needed to enhance a core organizing committee, particularly for future engagement. Andrea noted social media blast to drum up support for a specific event.

The AGM would be held on August 30th, with posters placed in the neighbourhood. Format would be potluck and start around 4:00 PM. It was noted that CPCA should advertise for vacant positions in the next newsletter. Good idea to have a written report, job duties etc. Michael Murphy will step down as president, as he has completed two terms. He will remain on executive and is looking at existing executive members for the presidency position. Kirsten Routledge is a current VP but is not interested in the executive next year. Paul encouraged everyone to talk to neighbours about CPCA and event in park. Michael reported that he has been approached by two former executive members about the president's position.

Members debated the CPCA quorums required to be effective and meet the needs of community. Altering the quorum numbers to 5 could be an idea, as well as the need to attend at least 50% of meetings. Director level liability should be advised to current executive. Mark noted change in bylaws, take to executive, have a majority vote, then tentatively changed, take to AGM and advertise that you will be altering mix. Overall, we haven't reduced number in executive but could lower the level of quorum. At present, there are 1900 people living in City Park. We do not have membership fees, which can be a deterrent for some. An email vote is possible, but changes would need to be made in advance of an AGM. Current bylaws suggest we must be 14 members.

Michael shared a letter that would be sent out to Mayor Don Aitchison regarding the poor state of roads in City Park. Motion to send the letter was moved by Paul Pastor, seconded by Gregg Parchomchuk.

Meetings will continue to be on the third Thursday on the month, including September 17, October 15, November 19, December 17, January 21, February 18, March 17, April 21 and May 19. Paul and other executive members thanked Michael for his time as president.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.