

**Blackburn Community Association (BCA)
Minutes for Thursday March 19th, 2009**

IN ATTENDANCE:

Charles Kennedy
Roger Smiley
Helen Rosseau
Tom Scott
Evelyn Budd
Laura Czekaj

GUESTS

Lynn Leduc
Rainer Bloess
Royal Galipeau

CALL TO ORDER

Roger called meeting to order at 7:45.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

February minutes were approved. Motioned by Charles, seconded by Helen, carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Budget will be on the site as soon as it is sent to Helen.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Roger suggested minor capital in the budget continue to be redirected to the Eastern Ottawa Resource Center.
The ARC committee, which Jacqueline Shaw is attending for the BCA, is having an open house on April 21st between 8 and 9. The location is to be announced.
Spring Clean Up and Garage Sale dates have been set for April 18th and May 3rd, respectively.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Not in attendance.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

PARKS AND RINKS

Screening is needed at Norman Johnson.
To thank the 5 volunteers who made the last winter season a success, the BCA would like to offer them a gift certificate of \$75. Charles motioned, Annick seconded, carried.
Tom will put a notice in the next BANAR that the BCA is seeking a park clean-up person.

COUNCILOR'S REPORT

Rainer recommended the BCA create a sub-committee to track the developments of the NCC Masterplan as the old one comes under review. As of this date all buses were operating on all routes, though some routes were still curtailed.

Lynn talked about the Volunteer Appreciation Civic Appreciation Award. Forms can be filled out online and names of nominees are needed. She asked that each member give some thought.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FUNFAIR

Roger brought to the board's attention that this was not in fact the 40th anniversary of the Fun Fair. The correction will be made on the site.

Laura is collecting books for the Fun Fair book sale.

COMMUNITY CENTER

Helen will create a website dedicated to the hall expansion where residents can give their input on development ideas and track progress.

A charity will be renting the center during the garage sale for a \$5 administration fee.

There was a request for a fold-away bench in the entrance. A suitable model hasn't been found but is being researched. Charles will investigate.

The fence at the back will be opened up for the next Fun Fair to allow direct access from the patio to the band shell and beer tent.

NEW BUSINESS

Belinda can no longer take on the memberships director.

Memberships will continue to be sold at Fun Fair, the Spring Clean-Up, and possibly the Garage Sale, but door to door soliciting of memberships will no longer be used. A prize draw similar to last year's draw will be repeated as incentive to purchase a membership. A flat screen television will again be the prize. Motion to purchase the television at a cost of approximately \$500 was moved by Charles, seconded by Annick, and carried.

Helen renewed the DNS and Domain names for the BCA website.

The Children's Welcome Center had to replace its front doors. They wrote asking for assistance from the BCA to offset the cost of the repair. The BCA voted to grant them \$585.65. Motioned by Laura, seconded by Evelyn, carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:35