

Summary of Minutes of General Meeting - Tuesday, January 27, 1976

Approximately sixty persons attended the general meeting, A By-law amendment which makes the Fun Fair Chairman(person) a member of the BCA executive was approved. The executive will recommend the ratification of Mrs. J. Cottingham at the next general meeting.

Discussion of the budget of the Community Association for 1976 occupied the greatest part of the rest of the meeting. Mr. Paul Lardner, the treasurer presented the budget and gave a detailed breakdown of the individual amounts. The criteria used for recommending the amount of the subsidy for each sports programme was discussed. It was explained that the subsidy was determined by the seasonal length of each programme, the number of participants and the costs of the programme. Considerable discussion followed on the budgets of the Little League Baseball and Girls Softball. A motion to increase the Girls Softball expenditures by \$500 and their subsidy to \$1700 was defeated. A motion was approved which amended the budget by postponing approval of the Little League Budget until another general meeting and requiring spokesmen from the Little League to present their budget at that meeting. The amended budget totalling \$115,725 in expenses and \$139,700 in revenues was then passed. These latter two figures included the revenues and expenses of the Fun Fair.

Mr. Jack McGuinty has been appointed to the Gloucester Planning Board and has submitted his resignation from the executive as Civic Affairs Chairman. The B.C.A. thanked him for his many contributions and efforts on behalf of the BCA.

The selection of three persons to be recommended for appointment to the Blackburn Hamlet Community Recreation Centre Committee by Gloucester Council followed. Mr. B. Darling, Mr. R. Dow, Mr. R. Dudding, Mr. E. Hayek, and Mrs. L. Mace were nominated. Mr. Dow, Mr. Dudding, and Mr. Hayek were selected. Their names together with the names of the Sports Chairman and the President of the BCA will be recommended for appointment by Gloucester Council.

Meeting adjourned at 10 p.m.

Summary of Minutes of Executive Meeting-Tuesday, February 3, 1976

The minutes of the January 6th meeting were amended and approved. Several items of correspondence were circulated. These included a request from Information Gloucester of a grant to support their activities; a request from the Greenbelt Riding Association for the Disabled for a grant to support participation by Gloucester Residents; a letter from Hon. J. Turner, indicating he has forwarded our request for CN & CP express delivery and pick up service to the president of CN railways. A grant of \$200 was approved to Information Gloucester and the request from the Greenbelt Riding Association for the Disabled will be referred to the Gloucester Community Recreation Committee.

Mr. Lardner reported on progress in acquiring a new insurance agent, incorporation and proposed discussing a purchase order system for the Sports Groups of the BCA. The latter will be discussed at the next executive meeting. He reported receiving a letter allowing Federal Sales Tax exemption for the Banar printing costs which will mean a saving of \$1500. Bills totalling \$26,470.30 were circulated and their payment approved.

Mrs. J. Cottingham was recommended for ratification as Fun Fair Chairman at the next General Meeting.

Dr. J. Hollins has agreed to review the constitution of the BCA and bring it up to date by including the various recent amendments.

A nominating committee will be appointed at the next general meeting. The executive members who have agreed to serve on this committee are L. Scherlowski and A. Szabo.

Committee Reports. Fun Fair: The Fun Fair committee held their first meeting in January and many activities are getting organized. The Fun Fair Banner which

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was stolen last year has miraculously reappeared.

Publicity Mr. Comeau reported that advertising in the Banar will be increasing to reduce the net deficit on its operation. The Banar will be including a news-letter from the Innes Park Apartments.

Special Projects: The executive approved the holding of a Monte Carlo night on February 28. Mrs. V. Dawson is organizing it. The Tuck Shop at the Detention Centre has shown a profit of \$300 in its first month of operation.

Transportation; Several new bus routes will be announced in the Banar. Some problems with the routes will be discussed with OC Transpo at the next meeting with the transportation committee.

Education: The Carleton Board Trustees held a special public meeting at Glen Ogilvie School in January to discuss the policies relating to the French Immersion Schools. Mr Sheehan the education chairman reported that while some of the policies were clarified several questions remained unanswered about the future of the english and frence programme in Glen Ogilvie School. A letter will be written to the Board indicating that the BCA would like to be informed fo the proposed policy of the Board prior to its approval amd also would like to have the enrollment projectinns for Glen Ogilvie School for 1976-77 and the actual enrollment statistics when they become available. The BCA would then reserve the opportunity to present its viewpoint to the Board on these policy matters.

A questionnaire will be included in the Banar on the acquisition of a high school in Blackburn. The method of collection of the questionnaires was left to Mr. Sheehan to organize. He will inquire into a return envelope system.

He reported that the Parent Teacher Association at Blackburn Catholic School has folded.

Membership: Over 1200 families have bought memberships.

Sports: The little league committee failed to arrange to send a representative to the executive meeting as requested, to discuss their proposed budget. The present status is that the programme cannot operate until their budget has been approved.

Due to the power failure on Monday Feb. 2, the tennis registration scheduled for that night was cancelled and will be rescheduled for the end of Feb. or the first week of March.

Other Business: Mr. Neufeld will ask Gloucester Hydro why Blackburn Hamlet appears to be so susceptible to power failures when compared to other communities.

Meeting adjourned at 10.30 p.m.

Nominations For The Executive of the Blackburn Community Association

Nominations for positions on the executive of the Blackburn Community Association will now be received. A nominating committee will be selected at the next general meeting of the BCA to be held on THURSDAY, February 26, 1976 at 7.30 p.m. at Glen Ogilvie School. This committee has the responsibility of ensuring that there is at least one person nominated for each position of the BCA executive. They present their report at the March general meeting of the BCA at which time other nominations are accepted from the floor. If there is more than one person nominated for a position then an election is held in April.

Several of the present executive members, having served for the past two to three years and having given considerable effort and time to the BCA over this period will be retiring. Other newer members of the executive will hopefully agree to serve again. We have been very fortunate over the years to be able to find sufficient numbers of new people to have a turnover of ca. 50% each year. However, it was more difficult to find willing volunteers to fill these positions last year.