

M I N U T E S
ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
COMMITTEE ROOM 2
THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2006 - 9:00 am

Present: Chair: Councillor Sanders
Members: K. Bridge; B. Clarke; P. Cohen; V. Green; S. Gray; R. Mason
Staff: K. Krieger, Director Parks and Recreation; T. Wood, Administrator; D. Thorpe, Recreation Programmer; C. Duncan, Research Assistant, Archives; M. Brothers, Committee Clerk
Guests: James Lam, Capital Regional District Arts Manager
Regrets: A. Lansdell, L. Kirstein

MINUTES: It was moved by B. Clarke and seconded by S. Gray: "That the April 27, 2006 minutes be adopted as circulated."

CARRIED

CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT ARTS OFFICE - PRESENTATION

J. Lam gave a presentation to the Committee on the role of the Capital Regional District Arts Office.

HERITAGE PANELS

The Chair asked Committee members what they would like to see done with the fifteen heritage banners after the Centennial year. Presently they are being circulated by Tracy Ryan, Centennial Events Coordinator, as a rotating display at Saanich's Recreation Centres and Centennial Events. Suggestions included:

- Parks and Recreation Department will continue scheduling the rotating display as an educational tool at the Recreation Centres, schools and shopping centres.
- A temporary exhibit at the University of Victoria to display the banners.
- Encourage new developments to include a permanent display space in their designs where the banners could be mounted in rotation.
- The Police and Fire Departments are interested in having the banner depicting their heritage permanently mounted in their building.

CENTENNIAL BANNERS

It was the consensus of the Committee that: the Centennial banners painted and created by elementary school students be given to Lilly Wallace to return to the schools which created them, that School District 61 and School District 63 each receive one of the large panels describing the Centennial Banner Project as thanks for their participation in the project, and that the third large panel be given to Archives once the Centennial is over.

HERITAGE BUS TOUR

The Chair noted that previously the Heritage Advisory and Archival Committee had participated in the organization of an annual heritage tour in the fall, with sites selected by the Archivist, followed by a tea. Typically the Archivist conducts the tour, but if an additional tour guide volunteered and there was sufficient interest, consideration should be given to having two buses on the tour. The Archives Research Assist will consult with the Archivist, Geoffrey Castle, regarding the selection of sites for the tour, the tea, and the possibility of a second bus.

APRIL WORKSHOP RESULTS

The Administrator reviewed the results of the April Workshop with the Committee and presented the revised versions of the Arts, Culture and Heritage Vision, and the Committee Communication Guidelines. The Administrator also presented the final portion of the April workshop covering the roles and responsibilities of the ACH members.

The Director of Parks and Recreation suggested that staff could provide a monthly update handout on Recreation activities for the Committee members, similar to the update provided for the Parks, Trails and Recreation Advisory Committee.

MOTION: Moved by B. Clarke and seconded by V. Green: “That the Committee approves the revised Arts, Culture and Heritage Vision, and the Communications Guidelines, and that the Committee endorses the Parks and Recreation staff producing a tentative work plan of the Projects, Programs and Policies identified in the April Workshop”.

CARRIED

COMMUNITY ARTS WEEK FINAL BUDGET

Copies of the Community Arts Week budget prepared by Anna Haney, Special Events Coordinator, were circulated to Committee members. Committee discussion noted:

- The Opening Event was very well attended this year, and the Special Events Coordinator did an excellent job organizing the event.
- Consideration should be given to including the Community Arts Council logo on the promotional material for next year in thanks for their generous donations.
- The Opening Event should be scheduled to coincide with the BC Arts and Culture Week, if the necessary facilities are available at that time next year.
- The event has outgrown the configuration at the Cedar Hill Recreation Centre. Next years event should be held in the Tennis bubble.

MOTION: Moved by P. Cohen and seconded by S. Gray: The 2006 report and budget as prepared by Anna Haney be received and included as part of the minutes.

HERITAGE POSTER

It was the consensus of the Committee that a heritage poster similar to the previously produced “Discover Heritage” poster and the “Rural Saanich”. A suggestion was made that the poster could depict past and present streetscapes.

COMMITTEE WORKSHOPS

The chair reported that funding is available for members to attend workshops. It was suggested that some members might be interested in attending the Heritage Workshop in Nanaimo. The Committee Clerk will email the information to the members.

CENTENNIAL PROJECT

Committee members are asked to email their suggestions for Centennial projects to the Chair.
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HERITAGE INTERPRETIVE SIGNS

The Heritage Interpretive Signs being installed at Dodd House will be used as the template for new heritage interpretive signs.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee meeting will be held on Thursday June 22nd, 2006 at 9:00 am in Committee Room 2.

Councillor Vicki Sanders, Chair

I hereby certify these Minutes are accurate.

Committee Secretary