

BONSOR 55+ SOCIETY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

HELD AT BONSOR CENTER

November 10, 2023

In Attendance:

Ernie Kashima, President

Albert Lam (Director)

Pat Couch (Director)

Brian Pound, Vice President

Mary Horton (Director)

Kelli Tibbles (Staff),

Eugene Hamel, Treasurer

Elizabeth Revoczi (Director)

Ashley James (Staff)

Louise Kowalenko, Secretary

Karuna Nalliah, (Director)

Regrets: Brenda Felker

Attendance:

There were 9 Directors in attendance. Therefore, the quorum requirement ($\frac{1}{2}$ of the Board of Directors being present) having been met and the meeting was declared able to proceed.

“Before we start, I would like to take a moment to recognize we are on the ancestral and unceded homelands of the hən̓q̓əmi̓n̓əm and Skwxwú7mesh speaking peoples, and to extend appreciation for the opportunity to hold a meeting on this shared territory.”

1. The meeting was called to order by Ernie Kashima at 10:02 am.
2. Welcome to Guests: Margaret Li, a member of the Badminton Executive
3. Agenda – Amendments and Approval

ADD: New Business
e. Remembrance Day Event
f. Badminton

MOTION by Mary Horton to accept the Agenda as amended. **Seconded** by Brian Pound. **Motion Carried**

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting – Amendments and Approval

Amendment: Dates to Remember should read March 2024 not February 2024.

MOTION by Albert Lam to accept the Minutes of October, 2023 as amended. **Seconded** by Elizabeth Revoczi
Motion Carried

5. Business Arising from the Previous Minutes

- a. Bus Sponsorship

Ernie is actively searching for a new 24 passenger bus to be purchased next year.

Ernie was very proud to announce that Mulberry Parc has offered to pay \$12,000 every year for five years for advertising decals on the 55+ bus. The Board of Directors is very pleased to be partnering with Mulberry Parc as they strive to connect and contribute to the well-being of the local communities they are part of. Mulberry Parc would also like to be the sole retirement living sponsor for our ongoing volunteer luncheons. Ernie recognized that this partnership is due to the efforts of Mary Horton to foster this long time relationship with Mulberry Parc.

- b. Christmas Dinner Dance – this matter was dealt with in the October meeting.

- c. Burnaby Neighbourhood House Seniors Workshops

MOTION by Ernie Kashima to offer meeting space to the Burnaby Neighbourhood House Seniors Society for their workshops. **Seconded** by Brian Pound. **Motion Carried**

6. Correspondence –

- Thank you card from Mary Horton
- Thank you card to the BEARS Group from Crisis Pregnancy Centre for the donation of baby layettes.
- Thank you email from Nicole Fleury, Coordinator Recreation Programmer for the donation and volunteer help at the Big Boo.

7. President's Report –

Parkland Refining (BC) Ltd will be providing \$1000 in gas card donations for 2023, 2024, and 2025 to be used towards the purchase of fuel for bus trips.

Ernie wanted to remind all Board Liaisons and Group Leaders the need to provide group financial records (reported twice a year) upon request of any of their Group members. When a request for financial documentation is made it needs to be responded to promptly in order to be in compliance with the Societies Act. A group member may not request “yearly comparison statements” as they are not required by the Board of Directors to be prepared.

The Board of Directors has been approached by a bicycle club to join as 55+ Group. Ernie will check with the other centres regarding how they run their groups and with the insurance company regarding any liability exposure and/or premium adjustment.

8. Treasurer's Report

MOTION by Eugene Hamel to accept the Treasurer's Report of October 2023 as circulated. **Seconded** by Brian Pound. **Motion Carried**

MOTION by Eugene Hamel to transfer \$10,000 from the Chequing Account to the Savings Account. **Seconded** by Pat Couch. **Motion Carried**

MOTION by Ernie Kashima to not renew the \$100,000 six month term deposit; the monies will be deposited in the Savings Account in anticipation of the bus purchase in the new year. **Seconded** by Eugene Hamel. **Motion Carried**

9. Staff Report – Given by Kelli Tibbles

- Christmas Lunch Wednesday, Dec. 6 – Tickets are on sale now
- Socks Box campaign will run at the 55+ building Nov. 14 – Dec. 11 – please bring in your donations of warm socks, gloves and hats and drop them off in the box
- Gingerbread House making class – Saturday, Dec. 16 11am-1pm – register now
- Christmas Pancake Brunch – Wednesday, Dec. 20 11:30-1pm in the lounge – live entertainment and a great meal for \$7 per person
- South Asian Male Card Group – Extra time on Tuesday afternoons
- Sing-A-Long – concerns with volunteer set up time – group will now run 1-3pm with volunteer set up from 12:45-1pm

10. Sub-Committee Reports - Please see November Group Reports as attached.

11. New Business

a. Calendar Dates

Please see list of 2024 scheduled events under Dates to Remember.

b. Chinese Calligraphy Group Liaison needed.

Mary Horton has offered to be Board Liaison for the Calligraphy Group.

c. Sox Box

Mary Horton and Ernie Kashima will distribute the donated monies and contents of the Sox Box to Maywood Elementary School.

MOTION by Mary Horton to donate \$200 towards the purchase of supplies for goody bags to be given to the Maywood Choir participants. **Seconded** by Ernie Kashima. **Motion Carried.**

d. Front Desk Thank You Card

The Good and Welfare suggestion box will now be kept in the Society office.

e. Remembrance Day Event

Brian Pound will be responsible for the laying of the Wreath at the Memorial on Saturday. Nov. 11 is a national day of contemplation, with the traditional motto to 'never forget' the sacrifices, conflicts, and missions, that people in service have faced, and continue to face.

f. Badminton

A discussion was held regarding the grandfathering of a retired group executive to be exempt from the Non-Burnaby Resident Lottery Draw. While this is a regrettable situation the Board will not permit retroactive operational changes to accommodate a retired executive member.

12. Dates to Remember.

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Socks Box Donation Event	Nov 13 – Dec 11	55+ Lounge	
Christmas Luncheon with City	Thu, Dec 7	Banquet Hall	11:30 – 2:30pm
BOD Christmas Get-Together	Fri, Dec 8	Private home	7 – 11pm
Christmas Pancake Brunch	Wed, Dec 20	55+ Lounge	11:30 – 1pm
BOD meeting	Fri, Jan 12	Multi 3	10 am
Wine and Cheese Event	Wed, Feb 7	55+ Lounge	11:45 – 2 pm
BOD meeting	Fri, Feb 9	Multi 3	10 am
Valentine's Pancake Brunch	Wed, Feb 14	55+ Lounge	11:30 – 1 pm
Annual General Meeting	Fri, Feb 23	Bonsor Banquet Hall	TBD
BOD meeting	Fri, March 8	Multi 3	10 am
St Patricks' Dinner Dance	Fri, March 15	Bonsor Banquet Hall	5 – 9 pm
BOD meeting	Fri, Apr 12	Multi 3	10 am
Volunteer Lunch	Thur, May 9	Bonsor Banquet Hall	
BOD meeting (delayed)	Fri, May 17	Multi 3	10 am

Group Leaders Meeting	Wed, Jun 5	Bonsor Multi 1/2	
BOD meeting	Fri, June 14	Multi 3	10 am
BOD meeting CANCELLED			
BOD meeting	Fri, Aug 9	Multi 3	10 am
BOD meeting	Fri, Sep 13	Multi 3	10 am
Coffee Bar Brunch	Thur, Sep 26	TBD	
Active Aging Week	Oct 4 - 11	TBD	
BOD meeting	Fri, Oct 11	Multi 3	10 am
Fall Dinner Dance	Fri, Oct 18	Bonsor Banquet Hall	5-9pm
Big Boo	Oct 25	Bonsor Banquet Hall	
BOD meeting	Fri, Nov 8	Multi 3	10 am
Christmas Luncheon	Wed, Dec 4	Bonsor Banquet Hall	11:45 – 2 pm
BOD Christmas Get-Together	Fri, Dec 6	Private home	7 pm
Christmas Pancake Breakfast	Fri, Dec 13		9– 10:30

13. Good and Welfare

14. Meeting adjourned.

Ernie Kashima
Kowalenko

Louise

ERNIE KASHIMA, President

LOUISE KOWALENKO, Secretary

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