



**SSCA Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday, Mar. 2, 2022 7:30 pm**

## **APPROVED MINUTES**

**Present:** J  r  mie Bourqui, Karen Bradshaw, June Bergman, Scott Chomistek, Patrick Crampton, Cydney Elofson, Jeremy Gukert, Shannon Jakal, Karen Kirnbauer, Margaret Livingston, Lynda Paananen, Monique Tambay-Roest, Kay Wilford

**Staff:** Sherry Gavlin, Rita McMillan

**Guests:** Heather Gibbons, Tomi Neilson, Marny Paul, Cst. Dustin Williams

**Notes taken by:** Monique Tambay-Roest

### **1. Introductions**

**Cydney**

Cydney called the meeting to order at 7:31pm.

Cydney introduced Marny Paul, chair of the Silver Valley Drive playground committee to the Board.

### **2. Approval of meeting agenda**

**Cydney**

Kay moved to approve the March 2022 agenda as presented, seconded by Patrick. Motion carried.

### **3. Approval of [February 2022 Board Minutes](#)**

Monique moved to approve the Feb. 2022 minutes as presented, Kay seconded. Motion carried.

### **4. Acknowledgment of Written [Board Reports](#) Submitted**

**Cydney**

- a. BGSS (June), EGG (Kay), Seniors' Liaison (Kay), Seniors' Housing (Karen K.), NPC (Heather), CTA, Outdoor Rink, & Development (Jeremy), Office report (Rita), Neighbourhood Streets Project (J  r  mie)

- b. Questions arising from Board reports

There are issues with the solar predictor link in the NPC, the predictor is inaccurate, Patrick and Heather will connect offline. There was a question about the Neighbourhood Streets project, and community feedback regarding the wheeling lane, the pilot is still under review. Cydney, J  r  mie and Monique will continue to update the Board. A question arose regarding the BGSS Strategic Plan, some historical context was provided regarding how input from partners is collected.

There was a question regarding the restructuring of City departments, different departments may be realigned, but the changes will not impact support received from Heather.

### **5. Guest Reports**

- a. Councillor's Report

**Tomi Neilson**

Calgary Transit has increased both police and peace officer presence recently as there have been increased instances of social disruption, particularly during the pandemic. Calgary Transit has increased staffing to help monitor the security system, check for proof of payment, etc. If an individual feels unsafe while using transit, they can text the number 71400 and officers will be dispatched.



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The mixed service delivery pilot (25% of garbage retrieval) begins April 5, GFL will be participating in the 7-year pilot, and all Ward 1 communities (including Silver Springs) are involved. Tomi will send Monique some additional information to be shared with the Board and wider community.

There was a question as to whether or not styrofoam recycling will ever be considered by the City? Currently, styrofoam is not accepted by the City of Calgary recycling facilities. Tomi will look into the matter.

Jen Malzer is finalizing the draft of the What we Heard report on the Neighbourhood Streets project. Jen Malzer, with Peter Yee will be meeting with Tomi next week. Tomi would like to meet with CA and Jen Malzer before the report is released. Tomi and Jérémie will connect after the meeting to discuss the long-standing 311 tickets regarding vandalism and destruction of the wheeling lane dividers.

**b. Calgary Police Service**

**Cst. Dustin Williams**

There has been an increase in car prowling incidents in Silver Springs in the last month, license plates and catalytic converters were targeted. Cst. Williams encouraged the Board members (and all residents) to contact 911 (for an active situation) or the non-emergency line (if the situation is no longer active) if they witness suspicious behaviour. CPS have caught two individuals connected with some of the incidents that have occurred in Silver Springs recently. Catalytic converter theft continues to be a city-wide issue, converters sell for \$300-\$450 each, however, there is legislation in place that requires recyclers to collect specific information from individuals selling converters.

**c. NPC Report**

**Heather Gibbons**

Heather highlighted the "She Governs" workshop for young women (grades 9-12) in the NPC report and requested that the SSCA share the information via social media.

**d. Playground Report**

**Marny Paul**

The playground sub-committee has been meeting and has developed specific roles such as fundraising and grant proposals for members. The committee has a good, clear vision of what they want for the playground, specifically that it be more inclusive and include a natural play space. They are exploring the possibility of separating from the SSCA to form their own legal entity to allow them to apply for the same grants as the SSCA without jeopardizing or taking grants from the SSCA. The possibility of expanding the SSOPFF (Silver Springs Outdoor Pool Fundraising Foundation) to include outdoor spaces, and to use the society to help fundraise for the playground, as well as additional outdoor spaces in future. The committee is applying for the Calgary Community Spaces Grant for \$50000.

Patrick moved that the SSCA apply for a \$50000 Calgary Coop Community Grant, for the purpose of the Silver Valley playground, Karen B. seconded. Motion carried.



**e. Preschool Report**

**Cydney**

Maggie was unable to attend the meeting and emailed a brief update. Two teachers are currently away. The TA in the all-day 4-year program is on medical leave until the end of June, and the teacher in the same classroom was in the UK for four weeks due to a death in the family. Both roles have been filled for the duration of the leaves. For 2022/23 15 minutes a day will be added to the 4-year half day program to bring the classroom time on par with the majority of other preschools. The spring fundraiser will begin in early April, the SSCA can help with messaging on social media. At the time of the meeting, 15 spaces were still available for next year.

**6. Executive Committee Updates**

**Cydney**

**a. Masking protocol update (CA)**

Effective March 1, 2022, the Restrictions Exemption Program (REP) and mandatory masking have been rescinded by the provincial government. Community members entering the CA are no longer required to mask, however, CA and preschool staff are still being required to mask. CA masking requirements for staff will be re-evaluated on an ongoing basis. The decision to keep masking in place for CA and preschool staff was due to the fact that both serve populations who are vulnerable to Covid due to age or health status, or ineligibility for vaccines. Preschool policies will still require isolation for unvaccinated individuals because we are required to shut down if we have a case in the class. Margaret will connect with Cydney offline regarding clear medical masks that are locally available.

**b. Meeting format in April**

There was a brief discussion regarding the format for the April Board meeting (in-person, blended, or online). Please email Monique your thoughts on the format within the week. Shannon will send Monique information on the Owl Pro device to accommodate blended (in-person and virtual) meeting formats.

**c. Policy update**

**i. Whistleblower, Procurement, Code of Conduct, Compensation Strategies, Risk Management, & Records Management**

Heather M. and Rita developed several policies for the SSCA to apply for the Council Funds, these policies are requirements for the grant. Monique will distribute them to the group for review and we will approve for the April meeting.

**7. Financial Reports**

**Scott**

**a. February 2022 internal F/S**

As of Feb. 28, 2022 the SSCA had \$43,939.54 in unencumbered cash available in addition to \$50,000 that Scott had recently moved into a GIC. Revenue to date has been \$143,098.26 (higher than anticipated due to increased rentals and registrations as pandemic restrictions were lifted). The SSCA currently has a deficit of \$18,443.06, significantly lower than the projected deficit (to date) of \$59,580.



Scott moved to approve the February internal F/S as presented, Shannon seconded. Motion carried.

**Business Arising from February 2022 meeting**

**8. Director of Safety Role**

**Jérémie/ Lynda**

Jérémie is continuing to coordinate the Neighbourhood Streets Project and MUSC, and Lynda will be stepping into the Director of Community Safety role. Lynda will be focussing on communication with the community (website, newsletter) etc. There was a question regarding the concrete work such as new ramp cut outs and curb improvements, if that work will still be completed. Jérémie will follow up with Jen Malzer. There was a discussion about asking the Scouts/ Beavers group to scout the neighbourhood during their bottle drives to mark missing ramps, etc. Scott and Rita will connect to discuss this possibility.

There is a Community Safety page on the SSCA website, which includes the current Safety Report, please direct feedback to Lynda.

**New Business**

**9. Energizing Spaces Grant**

**Jeremy**

The CA can apply for a \$10000 Energizing Spaces grant to update lighting and appliances. There is a rink volunteer who has offered to donate his time (he is a Master Electrician) to change the rink lights to LED bulbs, the grant would cover the cost of the bulbs. Rita will need to get three quotes per grant application. The SSCA applied last grant cycle and did not receive any funds and will be reapplying. Applications close April 15, 2022.

Jeremy moved that the SSCA apply for the Enmax Energizing Spaces 2022 grant (\$10000) to replace the outdoor rink lights, Kay seconded. Motion carried.

**10. Seniors' Housing update**

**Karen K./ Patrick**

Counsellor Sharpe is meeting with JUCC (Joint Use Coordinating Committee) in the coming weeks and will update Karen K. and Patrick. The next steps for the Seniors' Housing Committee are to learn more about the JUCC process and to meet with Silvera. The JUCC is comprised of the Calgary Board of Education (CBE), the City of Calgary, Calgary Catholic School District (CCSD), and the Francophonie School board. JUCC must approve any land transfers for use by the Seniors' Housing Committee. The land must then be sold for market value and the funds are then divided evenly among the four JUCC members. Land use is also governed by the Municipal Government Act. Karen K. and Patrick are looking into a grant from the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation to assist with the cost of a feasibility study for seniors' housing in Silver Springs.



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**11. Next Board Meeting**

**Cydney**

- a. Board Meeting Wednesday, April 6, 2022, 7:30pm

A big thank you to the staff and volunteers for all their work on the recent casino fundraiser for the SSCA.

**12. Adjourn**

Kay adjourned the meeting at 9:27pm.

**Note: On March 23, 2022 the following motion was made and voted on via email:**

Cydney moves that the SSCA provide Jazzniks with one-time financial support to a maximum of \$800 for the purpose of a concert hosted by the SSCA and BGSS in June 2022, Monique seconds the motion.

**On March 29, 2022, the motion was carried via email.**