

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION
HELD IN THE PARK BOARD OFFICE
ON MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2000**

PRESENT:	Chair	- Duncan Wilson
	Vice-Chair	- Laura McDiarmid
	Commissioners	- Roslyn Cassells
		- Allan De Genova
		- Clarence Hansen
		- Dianne Ledingham
		- Christopher Richardson
	General Manager	- Susan Mundick
	Director of Planning & Operations	- Pieter Rutgers
	Director of Queen Elizabeth District	- Liane McKenna
	Director of Vancouver East District	- Allan Argent
	Director of Corporate Services	- Anita Ho
	Director of Stanley District	- Jim Lowden
	Manager of Public Affairs	- Terri Clark
	Recorder	- Julie Casanova

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on Monday, December 13, 1999 were adopted as circulated.

STAFF REPORTS

International Sculpture Exhibit

Board members received copies of a staff report dated December 2, 1999 recommending that the Board approve a temporary sculpture exhibit along English Bay during the summer of 2000 at no cost to the Board and with all arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager and that the Board consider charging the exhibit sponsor a fee of \$20,000 per season for the use of the site.

Moved,

THAT the Board approve a temporary sculpture exhibit along English Bay during the summer of 2000 at no cost to the Board and with all arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager

Nicole Besherat, Buschlen Mowatt Gallery, appeared before the Board and stated that they are unable to pay the Board \$20,000 as stated in the report as they do not charge for viewing and the general public is not a buying audience. The artists should be encouraged to display their work and this is a world class exhibition. Ms. Besherat advised the Board that the gallery bears all the costs for the display.

Ron Rothwell, Friends of Stanley Park, appeared before the Board and stated that the International Sculpture Exhibit was private use of public land and commercial use of parkspace. By allowing a designated group to use exclusive space, other park users are alienated. It is a good thing to display art however, it should be distributed around the city and not concentrated on parkland.

Board members discussed the matter and Commissioner Cassells stated that she would like to defer the matter until the gallery has done an environmental impact study.

Moved,

THAT this matter be deferred until the gallery has done an environmental impact study.

-DEFEATED.

(Commissioners De Genova, Hansen, Ledingham, McDiarmid, Richardson and Wilson contrary)

Commissioner Wilson stated that the linear nature of the site for the sculptures and being in a park where people can take the time to look at each piece the exhibit received a positive response in 1998.

The main motion was put as follows:

THAT the Board approve a temporary sculpture exhibit along English Bay during the summer of 2000 at no cost to the Board and with all arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager.

- Carried.

(Commissioner Cassells contrary)

Emergency Planning in the City of Vancouver

Board members received copies of staff report dated December 16, 1999 recommending that the Board receive the report for information. Bryan Larrabee, ESS Coordinator to make a presentation to the Board.

The General Manager introduced Bryan Larrabee , ESS Coordinator and advised the Board that Emergency Social Staff were responsible for assisting the fire victims after the December 28 fire.

Bryan Larrabee gave a presentation on the City's emergency response plan and Park Board's role in this plan. Mr. Larrabee stated that other major participants were BC Ambulance, Regional Health Board, B.C.Gas and B.C. Hydro. Mr. Larrabee advised the Board on the different functions of the emergency operations centre such as policy, operations, logistics and public information.

Board members discussed the matter and enquired what specific role would there be for Commissioners. The General Manager advised the Board that the role and responsibilities of the Board are being developed and will be brought to the Board in the near future. In the interim if there is an emergency, the Chair will be informed, and Commissioners advised through the Chair. Board members thanked Bryan Larrabee for an informative presentation.

Moved,

THAT the Board receive this report for information.

- Carried Unanimously.

Multicultural Implementation Plan

Board members received copies of a staff information report dated December 14, 1999.

Moved,

THAT the Multicultural Implementation Plan report dated December 14, 1999 be received for information.

-Carried Unanimously

Communication Plan - Award of Contract

Board members received copies of a staff report dated December 13, 1999 recommending that the Board approve spending up to \$30,000 from the Corporate Sponsorship account to pay for the development of a Communications Plan. Commissioner Cassells stated that there were a number of items in the report that she was not clear about and she needs more information with regard to language translation.

Moved,

THAT the Board approve spending up to \$30,000 from the Corporate Sponsorship amount to pay for the development of a Communication Plan.

- Carried Unanimously.

(Commissioner Cassells contrary)

Conference Use of Marine Square Park 2001

Board members received copies of a staff report date December 21, 1999 recommending that the Board give approval for the use of the site as the location for Mindshare 2001 Annual MDSI User Group Meeting & Business Solutions Conference reception and meal space and that the Board give approval for the organizers to apply for a Special Occasion License to serve liquor inside the tent during the reception.

Moved,

- A. THAT the Board give approval to the Advance Group for the use of Marina Square Park, May 13-16, 2001 as the location for Mindshare 2001 Annual MDSI Users Group Meeting and Business Solutions Conference reception and meal space.**
- B. THAT the Board give approval for the organizers to apply for a Special Occasion Licence to serve liquor inside the tent during the reception.**

-Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Falaise Park

Commissioner Cassells stated that she received a complaint with regard to tire marks on Falaise Park. The General Manager advised the Board that staff has also received such a call and Allan Argent, Director of Vancouver East is investigating.

NOTICE OF MOTION

THAT the Community Policing Centre survey be disregarded by the Park Board.

ENQUIRIES

Commissioner Cassells referred to the survey done for the Grandview Park Policing Centre and enquired whether the homeless and people who lives in shelters were surveyed. She also asked whether staff were aware that many local residents did not receive a survey and only one survey per household was sent, omitting renters.

Commissioner Richardson challenged the Commissioners to join him in the Sun Run in the first weekend of April.

Commissioner Richardson referred to staff a concern that we should be considering a preventative method to stop people from driving on to the turf in Queen Elizabeth and Stanley Park.

Susan Mundick
General Manager

Commissioner Duncan Wilson
Chair