



AGENDA
Board of Directors Meeting # 1 /2017
Library Room

February 8, 2017

7:00 PM

Craig Mather, Chair

1	<p>Welcome to incoming board members, Town of Aurora Councillors Wendy Gaertner and Tom Mrakas. Recognition and Thanks to outgoing board members, Town of Aurora Councillors Wendy Humfreys and Jeff Thom.</p> <p>MOTION to Approve Agenda</p> <p>MOTION for the Board to Adjourn to attend the Opening Remarks for the Youth Art Opening in Red Gallery</p>	Craig Mather
2	<p>MOTION to reconvene the Directors' meeting</p> <p>MOTION to Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting (December 14, 2016 #12)</p>	All
3	Statements of Conflict of Interest	All
4	<p>Executive Director's Update</p> <p>MOTION To receive the Executive Director's Update</p>	Laura Schembri
5	<p>Finance and Audit Committee</p> <p>MOTION To receive the Finance and Audit Committee Update</p>	Carol Mather

6	<p>Fund Development Committee Update from Committee Chair</p> <p>MOTION To receive the Fund Development Update</p>	Maureen Campbell
7	<p>Governance and Nominating Committee Update from Committee Chair</p> <p>Board self- evaluation questionnaire will be sent out to each Board member on February 15 with a request to return them to the Governance and Nominating committee by March 15.</p> <p>MOTION To receive the Governance and Nominating Committee Update</p>	Eric Acker
8	<p>Executive Committee Update from Committee Chair</p> <p>MOTION To receive the Executive Committee Update</p>	Craig Mather
9	<p>Joint Initiatives Committee Update from Committee Member</p> <p>MOTION To receive Joint Initiatives Committee Update</p>	Laura Schembri
10	Other Business	All
11	Confirmation of next Meeting March 22, 2017 7PM	All
12	<p>MOTION To move into Special Meeting of Members #1, 2017</p>	All
13	<p>MOTION To adjourn the Meeting</p>	All



Minutes
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Present: Craig Mather, Heidi Franken, Bonnie Kraft, Maureen Campbell, Karen Johnston, Carol Mather, Mukhlis Mutlag, Cllr. Wendy Gaertner, Cllr. Tom Mrakas

Laura Schembri

Regrets: John Gallo, Eric Acker

1	<p>Welcome to incoming Board Members: President Craig Mather welcomed incoming board members, Town of Aurora Councillors Wendy Gaertner and Tom Mrakas.</p> <p>Recognition and Thanks were given to outgoing board members, Town of Aurora Councillors Wendy Humfryes and Jeff Thom.</p> <p>MOTION to Approve Agenda</p> <p>Moved by: Maureen Campbell Seconded by: Karen Johnston CARRIED</p>
2	<p>MOTION to Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting (December 14, 2016 #12)</p> <p>Moved by: Maureen Campbell Seconded by: Mukhlis Mutlag CARRIED</p>
3	<p>Statements of Conflict of Interest</p> <p>None declared</p>

4	<p>Executive Director's Update</p> <p>Executive Director, Laura Schembri presented an update to the Board</p> <p>MOTION To receive the Executive Director's Update</p> <p>Moved by: Carol Mather Seconded by: Mukhlis Mutlag CARRIED</p>
5	<p>Finance and Audit Committee</p> <p>Update given by Carol Mather, Chair, and Heidi Franken, Treasurer</p> <p>MOTION To receive the Finance and Audit Committee Update</p> <p>Moved by: Tom Mrakas Seconded: Karen Johnston</p>
6	<p>Fund Development Committee</p> <p>Update from Committee Chair, Maureen Campbell Maureen Campbell summarized the workings of the FD committee for the benefit of new board members.</p> <p>MOTION To receive the Fund Development Update</p> <p>Moved by: Karen Johnston Seconded by: Wendy Gaertner CARRIED</p>
7	<p>Governance and Nominating Committee Update from Craig Mather</p> <p>Board self- evaluation questionnaire will be sent out to each Board member on February 15 with a request to return them to the Governance and Nominating committee by March 15.</p> <p>MOTION To receive the Governance and Nominating Committee Update Moved by: Carol Mather Seconded: Bonnie Kraft CARRIED</p>

8	<p>Joint Initiatives Committee</p> <p>No recent meeting. The agreement with the Town of Aurora states this committee must meet in April.</p>
10	Other Business
11	<p>Confirmation of next Meeting</p> <p>March 8, 2017 7PM</p>
12	<p>MOTION</p> <p>To move into Special Meeting of Members #1, 2017</p> <p>The purpose was to change the no. of Directors from 12 to 11. The current bylaw stipulates a majority for quorum.</p> <p>Motion was deferred to an e-vote.</p>
13	<p>MOTION</p> <p>To adjourn the Meeting</p> <p>Moved by: Tom Mrakas</p> <p>Seconded: Mukhlis Mutlag</p> <p>CARRIED</p> <p>Meeting was adjourned at 9:06 pm</p>

Craig Mather, President

Date

Bonnie Kraft, Secretary

Date



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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

JANUARY

Society of York Region Artists Show & Sale for the month of January was popular and successful.

For the Opening Reception we partnered with Aurora Winter Blues Fest for live music, which was well attended.

Anuja and I toured Sandra from Michael Angelo's throughout the Centre to discuss Fund Development opportunities. Thank you John for making the introduction.

Great Artist Music Series – Han Chen, on piano, had a big house.

John Sheard – Beatles; sold out. First concert that CAO & wife have attended, as well as Mayor Dawe with a large group, and some councillors as well – Wendy & John Abel come to mind immediately.

In January I attended the following:

- Staff budget meeting
- Staff strategic planning session with Aurora Consulting Group
- Fund Development Committee meeting
- Finance Committee meeting
- 2 meetings with President
- Webinar: Maximizing the Strength of Your Volunteer Program

FEBRUARY- TO DATE

Anuja & I attended Neighbourhood Network 1 day workshop "Non-Profit Sustainability & Fundraising". It was excellent!

Youth art install first week in February with students from all schools working together as young artists.

New this year – the month of February is “Youth Art Month” and 4 high schools are showing together, rather than being separated by school boards. Marks the beginning of a town-wide Youth Arts Council for the Centre, and also provides efficiencies for Centre resources. This year is a trial run. Opening to have Mayor Dawe and MPP Ballard speaking, and greetings brought on behalf of MP Alleslev and MP Peterson, among others.

We are the “emergency space” for YRDSB *English as a Second Language* program. Apparently the program, which runs daily for 8 to 10 weeks, has unexpectedly lost its previous “home”. We worked hard to accommodate them on short notice. They will be mostly downstairs in the Activity Room every day, but will move throughout the building as required. This is a wonderful rental for the Centre.

Community Vigil in Solidarity with Muslim Community came together VERY quickly; initiative of Presbyterian Church (a neighbour of the Centre) and immediately picked up by others. Beautiful event – 230 people in attendance. Very successful partnership between churches, Synagogue, Temple, Mosques. Speakers included myself, Mayor Dawe, MP Alleslev, MPP Ballard, office of MP Peterson, and representatives from all the religious groups participating. York Region Police also sent a Detective from the Hate Crime Unit and an Inspector from the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Bureau. And there was a strong showing from Councillors of the Town.

FEBRUARY – UPCOMING

Fund Development Committee meeting with Aurora Consulting in attendance

Chris Whiteley & Dianna Braithwaite blues concert on Friday in partnership with AWBF.

Centre’s financial books will close on Feb 13.

I’ll be attending the Mayor’s Luncheon next week.

Family Day partnership with Canadian Heritage for screening of a selection of *Heritage Minutes*, heritage crafts and more. This as our second nod to Canada 150th so far this year, the first being the theme of the SOYRA show in January.

Jane & I will be meeting with MP Alleslev at end of the month.

Laura Schembri

Executive Director