

Canada 150 Anniversary Task Force

Minutes

Thursday, May 04, 2017

Kiwanis Aquatics Centre at 7:00 pm

Members:

Jennifer Anderson; Grace Cirocco; Karen Sabzali; Sal Sorrento (Councillor Ward 3); Tisha Polocko; Mary Stanko; Sandie Timco; Maria Luisa Tiro; Rick Vanderkuip; Edwin Wand; David Warren (Chair).

Staff Liaison:

Carla Mackie, Historical Services Coordinator
Liz Fritshaw, Community Relations Coordinator

Attendance: Jennifer Anderson, Karen Sabzali, Tisha Polocko; Mary Stanko; Sandie Timco; Maria Luisa Tiro, David Warren (Chair), Rick Vanderkuip, Liz Fritshaw, Carla Mackie

Regrets: Grace Cirocco, Sal Sorrento, Edwin Wand.

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1. **Call meeting to order (Chair):** 7:00 pm
 2. **Motion to approve the agenda (5 minutes)**
To approve the agenda for the meeting of May 4, 2017. Approved by R. Vanderkuip
 3. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting (5 minutes)**
To approve the minutes of the meeting of April 6, 2017. Approved by S. Timco
 4. **Delegations**
 5. **Business**
 - 5.1 Cultural Sustainability Committee:

L. Fritshaw summarized the Task Force projects at the CSC meeting in April: the final printing of the Activity Booklet was completed in March; the

C150 Tent has been confirmed for 7 events to date; the Task Force participated in a C150 media event at the Kiwanis Aquatics Centre in March; an update for the Experiential Learning project will be forthcoming at the next meeting. The CSC approved the recommendation of an additional Task Force member. The nomination will be going forward to Council on May 8.

5.2 Projects Reports

a. Car Free Sunday Subcommittee:

Currently no update but meetings with the NRP have been scheduled. The Subcommittee is considering a shorter route along the canal.

T. Polocko also mentioned that organizers for Open Streets have approached the City and the Downtown Association for a possible event in August. The Car Free Sunday Subcommittee would also like to be included in these discussions.

b. Greening of the Garden City Subcommittee: Currently no update.

c. 'Experiential Education' Project:

Meetings with the DSBN and the Catholic School Board have been made. The Subcommittee envisions this project to be rolled out in the fall.

d. PR Subcommittee

i. C150 tent: event review and member sign-up for manning the tent/table

Manning the Folk Arts Festival and Seniors Day was discussed. As the dates for these events approaches, staff will sent out reminders for Task Force members to participate.

It was suggested that the Task Force could attend Ribfest, and possibly Open Streets if this project goes through.

ii. demonstration: how to set up the C150 banner

C. Mackie demonstrated how to put up the 'pull-up' banner

iii. determine procedure for giving away C150 swag

In order to prevent the C150 free giveaways from just being scooped up by the public, suggestions for giving away swag were discussed: simple question/answers about St. Catharines/Canada could be asked/answered, the public could also write the answer to question on paper...eg. I'm proud to be Canadian because...and these statements could be hung/displayed in the tent.

iv. Other:

1) It was suggested that Staff contact community groups/event organizers for promotional flyers that could be presented/given away at the C150tent/table.

2) It was noted that there have been requests for Activity Booklets from various organizations. Staff will contact the printers to get quotes on small orders. It was reiterated that the Activity Booklets are to be given away for free and are not for resale. If an outside organization is interested in purchasing the booklet, an agreement should be signed stating this.

6. **New Business**

6.1 Mary Stanko shared Mikko Kivisto's poem that won the Mayor's poetry contest in April, and read parts of the letter that the Mayor had sent to her in thanks for submitting her own poem. Mary also encouraged Task Force members to write their own haiku and provided instruction on how to make an origami tulip.

7. **Correspondence** – was reviewed

1. Choir Nation

Choir Nation Canada 150 Celebration with Devin Cuddy at Warehouse, 11 Geneva Street, features an opening set by Niagara's Momentum Choir.

Wednesday, June 28 at 7:00 PM - 10:30 PM; tickets \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door, \$5 from each ticket supports Momentum Choir

2. Canada 150 Cycle Event

The Niagara Cycling Clubs Alliance (including the Niagara Freewheelers) are happy to invite all cyclists and their families to join them for their NCCA Canada 150 Ride on July 2nd, 2017. White Meadow Farms, 2519 Effingham St, in the heart of Pelham Ontario will be hosting the celebration and expo. Join them for a scenic tour through the vineyards, orchards, and beautiful vistas of Niagara's Green Belt. For more info: <http://stcatharinescc.ca/ncca/>

8. **Location and Date of next meeting:**

Kiwanis Aquatics Centre, June 1, 2017, 7 pm

9. **Motion to Adjourn:** 8:15 pm