

CENTURY HOUSE ASSOCIATION
Chairperson's Meeting Minutes
 Wednesday Sept 06 2023 at 10:00 AM in ABC Room

1. Call to Order - Joy St. John (President) - 10:10 AM

Attendance: Joy St. John (President), Bibiana Lampert (Vice President), Gloria Haug (Treasurer), Michael Blanchard (Secretary) Linda Kenning (Member at Large)

Staff: Shelly Schnee (Program Coordinator)

Members in Person: Lynn Bittner-Jobson (BP clinic), Linda Wilson (Carpet Bowlers), Richard Nazarewich (CH Walkers), Shirley Miller (Ukulele), Wanda Madokoro, (English Conversation), Diane Clark (Tuesday Crafts), Joan Miller (Learning Garden), Wenke Hogg (Bursary), Judith Bogon (Discussion), Sam Li (Table Tennis), Pat Gerbrandt (Square/Line Dancing), Ted Grewcutt (Snooker), Carole Wylie (Governance), Lesley Hebert (CH Singers), Curt Albertson (SET, Governance), Mary Gagnon (Bid Euchre, Governance), Anne Ladouceur (EPC / SGSA), Brian Brokenshire (Pickleball) Tim Hicks (SET), Laura Anstruther (Quilting), Joan Miller (Learning Garden), Kathy Lynn (Parkinsons), Maureen Kruk (Line Dancing), Wanda Madokoro (English Conversation), Judy Kearns (Pottery), Barb Gordon (Low Vision)

Members on Zoom: Pauline Joyce (Conversational French), Elizabeth Christie (Wednesday Crafts), Mariette Leppert (CH Artists), Mike Wilson (Darts), Claudette Campbell (CH Players)

2. Land Acknowledgement - Joy St. John (President)

3. Adoption of Agenda - Adopted with Changes

Add under 7. h) **Presidents Report** - CHA Library

Add under 9. b) **New Business** b) Report from Governance - Carole Wylie

Add under 9. c) **New Business** c) Seniors Closing

4. Adoption of the Chairpersons' Meeting Minutes of Aug 02, 2023 - Adopted

5. Old Business

a) Events Planning Committee - Governance Committee is reviewing the CHA - Events Planning Committee Policy.

b) Century House Association – New locking system for artwork implemented.

c) Suggestions for CHA Christmas Event/Programs - Joy & Anne met to discuss the month of December.

- a) Table and chairs update - Shelly & Joy met to discuss new tables for Century House Association. We have been added to the large order put in by the city for the t̄m̄əsew̄tx^w Aquatic and Community Centre. There is some follow-up required for round tables.
- b) Chat Chairs update - have a new location.
- c) November 25, 2023 Winter Craft Sale Report - The CHA Groups involved with the sale met. Those in attendance agreed that we should invite other CHA members, members of 6-months or more, to present their crafts to the committee to be decided on whether their product is something we wish to have at our sale. Queensborough Community Center crafting group might be joining us this year as well.

6. Treasurer's Report –

Gloria Haug has completed and shared the financial reports to August 31, 2023

Receipt of Reports Moved by Gloria Haug Seconded by Anne Ladouceur CARRIED

Net income was \$1847.14 for August 2023 and \$5623.53 YTD

7. President's Report

The President's Report was not completed in the best interest of the member's time.

- a) Century House stats from January to July 2023 for registered fitness programs are a whopping 10,000 members came through the door.
- b) Hard copy CHA Chairperson minutes are available on our Century House Association Bulletin Board, located in the lobby.
- c) Clarion New Look - the City's registered programs are no longer being printed in the Clarion but in the City's Active Living Guide. The Front Staff have photocopied the section from the Fall Activity Living Guide that pertains to our members. You can also see the programs on-line on our website and through the City's website. The Clarion has reduced its pages to keep the cost down. The city now pays for 50% of the printing of the Clarion. Our Clarion will contain more information about our Activity Groups, members and important information for seniors.

Motion - That the Clarion issue be referred to the CHAE for further consultation with Century House members to identify impediments to members accessing the Clarion online. The CHAE should also enter discussion with Parks and Recreation about the return of the 3 seasonal city programs brochures and report the results of these initiatives back to the Chairpersons.

Moved by Carole Wylie Seconded by Kathy Lynn CARRIED

d) November Open Chairpersons Meeting -

Motion - Anne Ladouceur moved that the Seniors Services Society BC be invited to speak to seniors' homelessness and precarious housing at the Open Chairs Meeting in November.

Moved by Anne Ladouceur Seconded by Laura Anstruther CARRIED

If they are unavailable, we will explore other options.

- e) CHA Executive - Bibiana Lampert, is stepping down from her position at the end of 2023 as our Vice-President. Please contact either Sandra Keayes or Joy St. John if you are interested in the position.
- f) Pride Week - Thank you Barry Latimer, a member of the CH Quilting Activity Group, for making and donating a Quilt for New Westminster's Pride Week. The quilt sold for \$125!
- h) CHA Library - Century House is looking to fill the role of Librarian which is being vacated at the end of September 2023.

8. Coffee Break - 15 minutes

9. New Business

a) CHA - Events Planning Committee - Anne Ladouceur

The next event upcoming is the Bursary Committee's Team Trivia Game Fundraiser on Thursday 14 September from 1:30 PM. Tickets available at the front desk.

The Showcase event featuring performances by several CHA Activity Groups will be held on Wednesday 18 October starting at 7PM. Admission will be free of charge.

CH members have come up with an increasing number of suggestions for future events. To streamline the process and to make sure the EPC has all the information needed to decide among the different ideas, we have developed a simple form that we will ask anyone with ideas to fill out. A copy of the form will be sent to the members of the Chairs Committee to share with their members.

Receipt of Events Planning Committee Report

Moved by Anne Ladouceur Seconded by Laura Anstruther CARRIED

b) Report from Governance - Carole Wylie

CHAE Action Item - Request from Governance to add Committee Reports to the monthly Chairpersons Agenda

c) Seniors Closing - Judith Bogod - Request for Century House to have longer hours, especially during long weekends.

Joy St. John - is in discussion with the city in regard to this matter.

Ted Grewcutt - mentioned bringing it up at City Hall.

Carole Wylie - Point of Order - These types of discussions must go through the executive.

10. **Staff Report** - Shelly

a) Silisha Ali, is our new Senior & Youth Supervisor - her office will be in our Front Office section.

b) Century House will be hosting programs from Centennial Centre from November 2023 through February 2024 inclusive due to the closing of the facility. Disruption of current Century House activities expected to be minimal.

11. **Activity Group Highlights** - See **Addendum 1**

Joy St. John – apologized to all Chairs present and on Zoom that we had run out of time, would Groups with highlights only speak.

12. **Q&A** – Ran out of time.

13. **Inspirational Quote** - Michael Blanchard

“We know what we are, but not what we may be.”

William Shakespeare

14. **Drawing of our prizes**

15. **Next Chairpersons meeting** – October 04, 2023 at 10:00 AM

16. **Adjournment** - 12:11 PM

Moved by Anne Ladouceur

Seconded by Mary Gagnon

CARRIED