



**Draft Minutes of the Board Meeting  
Tuesday, March 22, 2011, Glebe Community Centre**

**Present:**

*Board Members:* Caroline Vanneste (President), Martha Bowers (Secretary), Jill Adams, Elizabeth Ballard, Joan Bard Miller, Bob Brocklebank, Brian Carroll, Virginia Carver, June Creelman, Bobby Galbreath, Jim Gauvreau, Guy Giguère, Louise Green, Rochelle Handelman, Christine Leadman, Carol MacLeod, Christine McAllister, Catherine Waters

*Others:* S. Bryden, David Chernushenko, Nancy Courtright, Danny Handelman, Julie Houle Cezer, Robert Gimás, D. Maclaren, F. Johnson, John Wins-Purdy

The meeting was called to order with a roll call of members present.

**Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda was adopted. **Moved** Rochelle Handelman **Seconded** Bobby Galbreath **Carried**

**Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of February 22 were adopted with corrections to the traffic and Lansdowne sections. **Moved** Bob Brocklebank **Seconded** June Creelman **Carried**

**President's Report** - Caroline Vanneste

- Thomas Krul is stepping down as Area Rep for 4B (Powmow).

**Motion:** The GCA appoints Nancy Courtright to replace Thomas Krul as the Area Representative for 4B. **Moved** June Creelman **Seconded** Carol MacLeod **Carried**

- Caroline will attend the GNAG meeting tomorrow with David Chernushenko in support of their needs for the community (eg. funding to fix the basement floors in the community centre).
- During Caroline's absence from April 22 to June 5, Elizabeth Ballard will chair the April meeting and Guy Giguère will chair the May meeting. Martha will check the snail mail. Catherine Waters will replace Martha as secretary at the April meeting. Caroline will write the May *Glebe Report* column.

**Treasurer - Louise Green**

- The Treasurer gave an account of our finances. With the contribution to the OMB appeal and other commitments, we have about \$15,000 available. A discussion followed on whether to increase membership fees, which have remained at \$5 for many years.

**Motion:** The GCA agrees to raise the annual membership fee to \$10 per household, at the discretion of the canvasser. **Moved** June Creelman **Seconded** Catherine Waters **Carried**

**GNAG Report - Caroline Vanneste for Lynn Barlow**

- April 15 is the Disco Volunteer Appreciation Party at the Glebe Community Centre.
- Artwork submissions for the “Strut Your Stuff” art show was March 17-21; the Open House is March 24 for the auction.
- GleeBE the Musical is April 1-3 at the Community Centre; tickets are on sale now. Volunteers are needed for various activities. The Arrow and Loon is offering a 50% discount for dinner on April 1-3 for those attending GleeBE the Musical.
- The Lobster Kitchen Party will be May 26; the tickets aren’t on sale yet.
- Upholstering the furniture and painting the walls at the Community Centre will begin in April.
- Online booking system for rooms at the GCC will be coming soon on the City of Ottawa website; Janet is organizing this.
- Warning: there have been door-to-door solicitors collecting \$55 for a bogus CPR course, which is supposedly offered at GNAG, McNabb and a few other community centres. Please notify authorities if they come to your door.
- GNAG wishes to have the GCA and Ottawa Internationals work with them to have a port-o-potty installed at Memorial Glendale Park from May to September. There will be more activities this summer in the park and at the tennis courts so a washroom would keep the children safe rather than using the bushes where broken bottles and needles could be found.
- GNAG completely agrees with the GCA on the requirement to keep the urban space at Lansdowne as green grass. They could supply documentation on their need for grass if this helps with the OMB.

**City Councillor Report - David Chernushenko**

- The Councillor outlined the Bank St. reconstruction issue. He brought forward a motion to city council to carry out the complete work from the Queensway to the Bank St. Bridge this summer in order to protect the interests of businesses and the community, with the knowledge that support for wire burial was not forthcoming.
- A lengthy discussion followed with input from Christine Leadman, Executive Director of the Glebe BIA, Guy Giguère (traffic) and Catherine Waters (lead, Bank Street reconstruction). Questions were raised about the design, sidewalks, transit, traffic, etc. A public meeting will be scheduled for April 7 to communicate information to Glebe residents, with city staff in attendance. The Reconstruction Advisory Committee has been reconvened and the first meeting is Thursday, March 24th.

**Motion:** The GCA authorizes up to \$500 for expenses related to a public meeting on April 7 on the Bank St. reconstruction project. **Moved** Catherine Waters **Seconded** Elizabeth Ballard **Carried**

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Northeast Glebe Parks - Elizabeth Ballard**

- The NEGP plans a public consultation on two proposed preschooler play areas (Central Park and the small area at Pretoria east of the TD bank) in the Glebe's NE quadrant on April 21, at 7 p.m. at the GCC. It also plans to invite submissions for creative play area designs for these sites in the *Glebe Report*. If the broader community supports a preschooler play area at either or both of these sites after the April 21 presentation, it is hoped that the GCA will consider this a top priority for cash-in-lieuof parkland (CIL) funding in 2011.
- Working drawings show an electrical kiosk being added to the Bank Street entrance of Central Park East. There is concern that power for sound systems and other electrical equipment will dramatically change the character of the park, which might become a convenient alternative for events more rightly suited to Lansdowne.

**Motion:** The GCA supports the Environment Committee's initiative that there be no electrical power kiosk in Central Park East. **Moved** Elizabeth Ballard **Seconded** Brian Carroll **Carried**

- Estimates for the cost of bringing the lighting of Central Park East to be at least comparable to the newer lighting in the West are roughly \$100,000. This community safety issue could be funded by other than CIL monies.
- There are concerns about the placement of the banner poles in Glebe parks. While the banners would enhance entry to the Glebe, the poles do not seem to be suitable for placing in the parks.

**Motion:** The GCA requests our Councillor to ask the city to hold off on the installation of the banner poles in Glebe parks. **Moved** Elizabeth Ballard **Seconded** June Creelman **Carried**

#### **Lansdowne - Bob Brocklebank**

- June Creelman provided information on a fundraising initiative for GCA activities related to Lansdowne Park. Glebe resident John Wins-Purdy has offered to organize a concert featuring Monkey Junk, the Brothers Chaffey and others at the GCC on April 21.

**Motion:** The GCA will host the Lansdowne Blues concert on April 21 at the Glebe Community Centre and advance up to \$500 for the event. **Moved** June Creelman **Seconded** Elizabeth Ballard **Carried**

- Bob Brocklebank provided an update on the OMB appeal. The mediation process is continuing. The group has requested another meeting with the city and OSEG. The hearing is scheduled for May 9 but there may be other developments before that date.

### **Other Business**

- Virginia Carver of the Environment Committee asked if a committee did not have a report to present at a meeting, is there a process for providing updates to the board? Electronic updates

can be provided at any time. However, there should be a discussion on a process for this at a future meeting.

The following motion was circulated by email on February 26, 2011:

**Motion:** The GCA supports the Riverview Park Community Association in their opposition to the \$55 million 1.2 km road linking the General Hospital parking lots and ring road to Riverside Drive. **Moved** Virginia Carver **Seconded** Elizabeth Ballard **Carried**

The following motion was circulated by email on March 10, 2011:

**Motion:** The GCA agrees that a member of the Planning Committee represent the GCA Board in conveying our concerns about the negative effect that the project at 8 Thornton St. might have on the immediate surrounding community and request that a modified solution be recommended. **Moved** Bobby Galbreath **Seconded** Thomas Krul **Carried**

The following motion was circulated by email on March 14, 2011:

**Motion:** The GCA approves that a public meeting be called to discuss the Bank St. reconstruction and to explore possible options in light of the Council's decision to proceed with the street reconstruction in 2011 and without burying the wires. The date and venue is to be determined, but the intention is that the public meeting be held before the end of March 2011. **Moved** Catherine Waters **Seconded** Virginia Carver **Carried**

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.