

Minutes of Meeting
04SEP07

In Attendance:

Darryl Kicul
Kim Gilmer
Pam Colquhoun
Doug Stewart
Barry Green

1. Budget is required to be submitted again. We have 3 choices:
 - Don't submit
 - Submit same as last year
 - Red-line last year's submission

Doug has offered to red-line last year's submission and use that as our budget for the City.

2. No Mountain Too High email – received yesterday, to wrap up this event. Meeting takes place through the week, during day-time hours. Suggestion is to provide a DCA member to participate via conference call. Eli should be notified first, questioning the City's involvement and need for this type of meeting.

3. Canada Day – broke even this year. Cost sharing with No Mountain Too High event helped us save costs. Likely had the same number of people as last year. Food (smaller choices and quantities) also helped to make up some of the costs. Suggestion to move to the high school and bring all Community Centres together to share costs and activities is being discussed with other Community Associations. Their initial feedback is that the location is not favourable for their involvement.

4. Hockey – Nov start up. Season will be Jan to March depending on weather. Fees – we are comparative with other Communities. \$40 – incl token for kids (ie, hat). Our operating costs are about \$900 per week. We are not getting more money from the City. Our program is about 8 weeks long. Discussion to raise up to \$50/child. Need to buy some hockey equipment this year (think we have more than \$1,000 in the bank) which Barry would like to use to buy equipment. Adding a 13-15 group is possible if we get coaches. Barry will look into both the increase in price and also older age groups with the other Communities.

Use of plastic for registration – never been an issue. People come prepared with either cash or chq. \$250 covers set up costs. \$50/mo would be an estimate if we wanted to use Interact. Might be good to review for soccer/Canada Day.

5. Canteen – need to show profit. Recommendation is the DCA will buy food and profits will be returned to the DCA. Supervision and cleaning supplies needs to be a separate line item. Encourage using high school students looking for community service hours to help offset cost to keep the building open. Other community centres are left open. The reason we man the building is because of the damage done in the past (holes in the walls, plugged toilets, etc.).

6. Bldg Mntce – Paul Humphries has agreed to take over as the DCC Building Maintenance Man. Garbage is not being picked up. Items being dumped (cement blocks, chairs, etc.) needs to be noted with the police. Need to know when garbage day is, and report when garbage isn't being picked up.

7. Soccer – Mtg to be set up with John Foley, Doug, Darryl week of the 17th, 7:00pm at DCC.

Field booking: mini fields are booked M-F, 6pm – 7pm.
Full field at West Carleton is also booked
Talons seem to use Shepherd's Grove exclusively.

Suggestion: - Try to arrange micro and houseleague games at DCC and Shephard's Grove, keep Talons at West.
- Raise rate based on rental of field and cost of field.
- Schedule fields through the City.
- Raise price for Talon's for extra costs for competitive fields.

Efforts have been made to keep scheduling separate for ease and convenience. We suggested providing facilities and Soccer providing the program. This gives us control of the fields. DCC should be a community field, not just for competitive use.

Information missing from Debbie Kealey re Sat and Sunday usage. (to be discussed at the meeting on the 17th with John Foley).

8. Increasing usage – Kim will get in touch with Gaetan/Kim Cleary regarding increasing activities at the DCC (ie, babysitting, exercises, etc.) and work towards increasing presence in the City of Ottawa book.