



Kitsilano Secondary School Alumni Association (KSSAA)

3rd Annual General Meeting
1:00 pm, Saturday, November 7, 2015
Kitsilano Secondary School

MINUTES

Present:

- Officers** David Angel '55, Vice President and Acting President
Kersti Krug '61, Secretary
Garth Wheeler '59, Treasurer
- Directors** Chris Atkinson, former Principal, now District Principal of Vancouver School Board
Art Bates '48
John Braithwaite '48
Jim Burnham, Principal KSS
- Members** Lorraine (MacKenzie) Braithwaite '49
Hardy (Krug) Bunn '59
Colleen (MacKenzie) Garbe '74
Amyl Khimji '83
Marilyn Muckle '56
Shiela Wheeler '59
- Regrets:** Bud MacKenzie '48, Director

1. Welcome

At 1:10, Acting President David Angel opened the meeting by welcoming members to this 3rd AGM of KSSAA, and acceptance of the quorum.

2. Adoption of 2014 AGM minutes

John Braithwaite moved and Garth Wheeler seconded acceptance of the minutes; motion carried.

3. Past President's report

As Judith Bowers, last year's President, resigned in October, no report was available.

Secretary Kersti Krug reported on the growth of KSSAA memberships, currently at 200, with 7 known deceased, for an assumed total of 193, plus 183 graduates from the class of 2014, and 211 from 2015, for a total of 594 – or 587 excluding the known deceased.

4. Acceptance of financial status

Treasurer Garth Wheeler reported on both the Commemorative Cavalcade Fund held by the Vancouver Foundation and the Alumni Association's access to funds to support various activities.

With regard to the first, the Fund moved from a balance of \$52,714.59 in August of 2014 to \$55,667.32 in 2015, with \$2,469.83 available for scholarship distribution this year. Of this increase, \$3,828 came from membership donations and fundraising events, while \$2,024.23 came from income earned on the funds that the Foundation holds.

Regarding KSSAA operating funds, the bank balance stands currently at \$858.94. This account is supported by \$5.00 taken from every new membership donation.

Chris Atkinson then added that although some other schools have far larger funds available to support students, the current \$2,500 available for Kits students from KSSAA is the largest available at the school. He also pointed out that most of those schools with larger funds were supported by alumni associations that had existed more than 10 years, thereby making KSSAA's less than 4 years of existence still young, but with the future looking positive.

5. Election of Board of Directors

David Angel reported that current directors: Chris Atkinson, John Braithwaite, Kersti Krug, Bud MacKenzie, Garth Wheeler, and himself all were completing the second year of their two-year terms, but added that more directors were very much needed.

John Braithwaite moved, and Garth Wheeler seconded that Colleen Garbe '74 be accepted on the board. Motion carried unanimously.

Then Art Bates moved and Garth Wheeler seconded that Aryn Khimji '83 also be accepted. The motion again carried unanimously.

And finally, Kersti Krug moved and David Angel seconded the acceptance on the board of Jim Burnham, current Principal of Kitsilano Secondary School. Again, motion carried unanimously.

6. Other business

Acting President David Angel then noted that to raise more funds to support students and the school, KSSAA should hold a major charity fundraising event every year. To do so, the board needs to attract individuals with development experience to make such events happen and happen successfully.

7. Presentation and tour of school by Chris Atkinson

The attendees then moved out of the meeting room to follow Chris Atkinson around the new wing which currently houses students and teachers removed from the original school building, given that this old structure is being totally gutted within its original exterior walls, walls that remain intact but better supported during earthquakes.

The new building has included more dramatically open spaces that offer unique and positive changes to the sense of space, visibility, community, and less formal places to gather for new ways of learning and sharing.

Kitsilano Secondary School's massive renovations will be completed in time for the school's 100th anniversary in September 2017.

8. Adjournment

At 3:15, Garth Wheeler moved and David Angel seconded to end the meeting

Next Meeting

The directors agreed to hold the next board meeting at 1:00 PM, Monday, January 11, 2016 in the school.