

**YMCA of Southwest Nova Scotia
Board Meeting
Lunenburg County Lifestyle Centre Board Room**

Wednesday, June 15, 2016

Present

Harland Wyand
Elspeth McLean-Wile
John Wright
Ken Smith
Beth Earle
Brenda Peters
Lawrence Garner
Louis Tousignant
Jessica Vaszily
Yvonne Smith – CEO

Absent

Alan McMullin
Jill Sutherland - CFO

1. Elspeth called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Lawrence, seconded by Louis and carried. Elspeth reported that as a result of her service to C.A.A. \$1,000.00 has been awarded to the youth program of the Y.
3. Calling for the approval of the minutes of May Board meeting Elspeth asked for any errors or omissions three times and hearing none declared the minutes approved.
4. Beth, as chairman of the Audit Committee, presented a report from the meeting held immediately before the Board meeting today in which she referred, first to Occupational Health and Safety noting that a policy has been created and will be reviewed by her committee and brought to the Board for approval. This will be included in the employee training package and be inserted in our governance calendar. She also noted that guest speakers will address certain issues such as risks to children.

Beth then reported that her committee is considering the work of Imagine Canada which has identified 73 standards for consideration. She noted that it is not our intention to proceed with accreditation but to use the standards as a convenient method of assuring that all necessary matters be considered and dealt with. At present there are 22 of the 73 standards yet to be addressed.

Beth and Yvonne went on to report on the National Conference held recently in Toronto noting that a great deal of work had been done - especially regarding the future of the Y in a quickly-changing world. As health care providers the Y considers social isolation, health and well being, childhood obesity and collaborations and associations with organisations like Heart and Stroke and United Way searching for common strategic directions.

Some notable presentations were made by the Y leaders in Wood Buffalo after the Fort McMurray fire disaster, Adrian Clarkson on multicultural issues and immigration. Jim Carrol - a noted futurist - also added items for consideration. Next year's meeting is being planned for Edmonton.

5. (a) Meetings with the LCLC leadership will continue with a meeting of the two Boards set for July 7th. Board members offered a variety of thoughts for consideration.

(b) Marketing data are being compiled on health, fitness and aquatics with further information to come next week.

(c) The Nominating Committee is compiling lists of suitable Board Members and is working through it.

(d) The conversation on youth engagement will be kept on our agenda . Jessica has agreed to assist us with this.
6. Both reports (Y Canada Annual meeting and Audit Committee) have been made earlier in this meeting already. Nick Parkinson from Northern Alberta has issued an appeal for support in the wake of the Fort Mac fire disaster. \$160,000 from Ys across Canada has already been pledged.
7. (a) Under New Business, Lawrence spoke of a need to review the partnership agreement with Annapolis County. Yvonne mentioned harmonizing the two budgets and will meet with the CAO of Annapolis soon.
8. The 'In camera' session followed.
9. Our next meetings will be:

July 7, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at the LCLC where both Boards will share a supper and meet for two hours and

July 20th, 2016 for our regular Board meeting at the LCLC.

Elsbeth plans to host the September meeting at her home in Wileville.

There will be no meeting in August.
10. Upon a motion offered by Louis, the Board stood adjourned.