

COMMUNITY FUND OF NORTH KOOTENAY LAKE

Board Meeting on Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 5:15 p.m.
Catherine Whitehead's home in Kaslo

Present: Honora Cooper, President; Catherine Whitehead Vice President; David Stewart, Past President; Barney Gilmore, Secretary; Aiko Jackson, Treasurer, Peter Jonker and Joe Johnston

The meeting was convened: at 5:15 p.m. by Honora

Approval of the Agenda: Moved by Aiko. **Approved**

Approval of Minutes of July 10th: Moved by Joe. **Approved**

REPORTS:

Treasurer's report & donations received: Aiko reported that since our July 10th meeting we have received and paid an advertising invoice for \$184.09, and a printing invoice for \$357.53. Bank charges amounted to \$5.24. Earlier we had received a return of unspent grant money from SD#8 in the amount of \$401.78, and this was forwarded in July to Osprey, leaving a total as of this day amounting to **\$1,849.55** in our CFNCLS administrative account at KSCU. Osprey is holding the donations we have received for the Youth Philanthropy fund. And our Treasure (Hunt) Fund was emptied when the treasure was awarded in early July.

Latest Status of our Endowment Funds: Barney reported on the second quarter 2018 status of our Endowment Funds, as communicated recently from Tina at the Osprey Foundation. From our monthly donors, and including the VF rebate money that earlier we deposited back into our General Fund, our total endowments have now grown by \$8,825, to a total this year of **\$1,041,0320**.

CORRESPONDENCE:

We recently received a note of thanks from Hayden LeFrance, the recipient in June of the McKinnon Bursary Award. She is currently in a local private apprenticeship getting equipment operating experience and she now plans to enroll at Selkirk in 2019. She will inform us when she receives an enrollment letter from Selkirk next year.

We have received 25 off-prints of the Slocan Legacy double-page spread, highlighting the work of local community foundations in the RDCK. We will use these in future public relations efforts.

We have been informed about some of the publicity surrounding the Give Where You Live campaign. Their Facebook address is givewhereyoulive.com.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Youth Philanthropy Project status update. Joe reported on the current status of the Youth project that we are undertaking. We have a contact working on it at the High School (Shannon, who is also at Community Services in Kaslo). She will be reporting back to and coordinating with Joe as plans move forward. Each CFNCLS Board member is being asked to suggest adults and youth who might be of help in both publicizing the event and/or nominating deserving youth committee members. Joe is hoping that the celebration event will be largely determined by the selected youths themselves. Pizza & cake will be provided to them, and they will be encouraged to choose their own criteria for making their choice of one local charity to receive the funds donated. (We can perhaps also mention some criteria that our Grants Committee sometimes uses for deciding among grant applicants.) Joe is working on the public ad(s) for publicizing this event. Media for all these efforts may include the school news letter to parents, the Kaslo community Facebook page, and the home-link network of home-schooled children. There will also be a significant ad to appear in Pennywise.

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Joe asked the Board to think about the best name for describing this event, one that is memorable and not ambiguous. He also asked where we suggest the event be held, and what should be served. Currently he is giving some thought to holding it at Buddy's and serving pizza and cake.

Grant possibility Honora will contact Tina at Osprey to obtain grant application forms for funds available from the Vancouver Foundation/Osprey that may be usable in one form or another (donating to or administering) for our Youth Philanthropy project and possibly for our Treasure Hunt project. Our recent and expected administrative rebates from the Vancouver Foundation (via Osprey) might also be available in part for Youth Philanthropy events and Treasure Hunt administration costs.

Update on the CBT Marketing Campaign for CFs. No further information has yet arrived. Joe will update us further at our next meeting

Community Foundations & the need for recognition of Aboriginal Peoples. The Board was reminded of the Vancouver Foundation's June Circle on Philanthropy & Aboriginal Peoples, where it was emphasized that more recognition of the current aboriginal presence, and their claims to ancestral lands, is desirable for all B.C. Community Foundations. We were asked to consider a statement of such recognition at our public meetings, and at selected events we might hold. Honora will draft and circulate a statement we can use for such purposes at our next AGM. We recognize that there may be different and competing claims concerning the lands in our region. It was suggested that a general term, such as "unceded territory" might be helpful in drafting our statement.

Treasure Hunt 2019 planning in light of 2018 results. It was reconfirmed that a 2019 Treasure Hunt, modified somewhat, would be desirable and potentially helpful for building more community awareness of the charitable work done in the community by CFNCLS. Today's discussion focused on two things. Firstly, the advantages and disadvantages of changing the charitable tax-receipt arrangement from a benefit for the Finder to a benefit for the Treasure Fund donors. We will attempt to decide this question at our next Board Meeting but the sense of today's meeting seemed to favour this change. Secondly was the issue of how the clues will be revealed this coming year: all at once, or in two batches, or possibly more? This decision will possibly impact our requests to Pennywise and their conditions for "sponsoring" us again. **Catherine** will contact Karma and report back on the extent to which Pennywise might continue to sponsor the Treasure Hunt if we have different forms of clue and publicity announcements to publish.

Mention was also made that costs for things like posters, and the prize money paid to the Finder, etc might be met from project grants and/or from sources like the current administrative rebates we get each spring from the Vancouver Foundation and Osprey, or from our own administrative monies.

Catherine's attendance at BC CF meeting in Oct. & funding for: Catherine is still unclear if she will be free to attend the annual October gathering in Vancouver for all B.C. Community Foundations. If she will be free to attend then she would like to, and Honora will help her navigate getting the funds to cover her costs of registration and attendance.

NEW BUSINESS:

Library request for guidance on \$300 unused grant funds. (A fall "new Performer?) After brief discussion of the communication from the Library, regarding the grant funds for a performer at one of the summer reading program events, funds that were surplus this past summer, Joe moved that we confirm that a fall or winter event of the same sort would be a fully appropriate event funded from the remaining grant funds. Barney was directed to write Eva Keleman telling her of this confirmation by the Board.

Giving Tuesday and related preparations this fall. National Philanthropy month is in October again this year. “Giving Tuesday” will be celebrated on Tuesday November 27th. **David** will be preparing publicity related to these events. CFNKLS expects to take part in local events centered on these dates, and our Youth Philanthropy event will likely be set for November 15 or close to it. We will arrange with Ian McKinnon for the CFNKLS banner to fly by the bridge into town from the south. David reports that the banner found recently at the Langham is not the one that was torn (and discarded) after hanging over Front Street by the hotel some years ago. It is a smaller banner, suitable as a backdrop at events like our AGM, or Treasure Hunt award presentations, and the like. This “smaller” banner will remain for a time where it is at the Langham and will be under David’s supervision and care.

Community Foundations Month. September has recently been declared Community Foundations Month, at least for this year. In 2019 there will be another national gathering of CFs to be held in Victoria. Presumably this will also be in September. We might wish to plan participation in this gathering.

Web Master needed for CFNKLS. With the losses of Paul Hunter and Charles Cuell to our Board we will soon need to update our website and perhaps make future updates easier to accomplish. At our next meeting we should look at options for solving this problem, and possibly find someone who could also join our Board to take on this service.

Next Board Meeting Scheduled: We will meet next on **Tuesday October 30 at 5:15 p.m.** in David Stewart’s office on the second floor of the Langham.

Adjournment at 6:19 p.m.

Barney Gilmore
CFNKLS Secretary