

GNA Directors Meeting – February 12, 2025 at 359 Richmond Ave

Attendees: Phil Hoen, Susanne Rautio (chair), Robin Jones, Matej Mate, Nic Humphreys

Regrets: Rosemary Sleigh, Darryl Stein

Guest: Judy Scott, Tamara Slobogean from Glenlyon Norfolk School

Tamara was just hired as a replacement for Shannon Drew. Tamara will be helping to facilitate the renovation plans GNS initiated a number of years ago. The Board was specifically interested to learn whether GNS still intended to build a community space as was mentioned by Shannon. Tamara promised to follow up and find out the answer to this question

Meeting called to order at 7:45 pm.

Motion to approve agenda by Matej; seconded by Phil, approved.

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes:

Motion by Robin to adopt Jan 14, 2025 minutes; seconded by Phil, approved.

2. Treasurer's report:

Robin reported there is \$2067.67 in the GNA bank account.

3. Community Map

Discussion ensued around how to distribute the community map when it is finished which should be in the next month. One idea is to hold a special launch event at a location in Gonzales; perhaps at the restaurant or Abkhazi gardens. Or if late enough in the season then outside in someone's backyard. No decision was made at this time.

4. Creation of GNA Logo

This issue to be brought up next month when Rosemary is back

5. Victoria Community Association Network (VCAN) Biodiversity and parks map

The final report for the VCAN project will be done soon and **Susanne to send out to board for their information**

6. Safety Concerns/Unhoused camping at Gonzales Beach

This issue will be brought to the attention of the new council liaison Jeremy Caradonna to see if he will help in any way.

7. North Gonzales Walking Tour maps

Susanne spoke to the Victoria Heritage Foundation who has just hired a new Executive Director and he confirmed that the Foundation will continue to make and distribute maps for the walking tour. A house at 1052 Davie street has a plastic display case attached to their white picket fence where the pamphlets can be picked up .

8. Jeremy Caradonna appointed new neighbourhood liaison

Susanne reported that a zoom call with Councillor Caradonna is scheduled for March 4.

Motion by Matej to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Robin, approved

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm, Next board meeting date - Wednesday, March 12, 2025