1. Adoption of Agenda

MOVED by Zari and seconded by Wendy
To adopt the agenda.

CARRIED

2. Adoption of Minutes

MOVED by Zari and seconded by Afsaneh
To adopt the minutes.

CARRIED

3. Hollyburn Family Services Society – Seniors and Homelessness

Leya Eguchi from Hollyburn Family Services Society provided a presentation on Homelessness and Seniors on the North Shore. Some of the highlights included:

- 2016 Community Stats
  - 736 unique absolute homeless service recipients
    - Nearly a quarter (178) of the absolute homeless were 55+
    - 103 homeless youth (under 24)
  - 295 at risk of losing their housing within one month
  - 34% of homeless/at-risk women reported experiencing domestic violence
  - 143 children (under 18) affected by housing instability (with homeless/at-risk parents)
What does seniors homelessness look like?

- Seniors’ housing risk comes in many different shapes and forms on the North Shore. Through our work, we have encountered:
  - Seniors that are precariously housed in unsafe housing (structurally unsafe, moldy, fall risk)
  - Seniors that are spending so much of their low fixed income on rent that they could not afford food, medication and other essentials
  - Seniors that are couch surfing, living in cars, unserviced trailers or boats
  - Seniors who were bouncing around adult homeless shelters
  - Seniors living in abusive situations with spouse, adult children or caregivers
  - Seniors living outside in tents, sleeping bags or home-made structures in bushes
  - Seniors that got an eviction notice due to changes in cognitive and behavioral patterns

4. Discussion on Grant Process

Members discussed this year’s grant allocation process. It was generally agreed that site visits were beneficial in terms of getting more information than what could be garnered simply on a paper report, and the added benefit of getting to know and connecting with the Organization. It was also suggested that members not review the same organizations, but instead review others in order to gain knowledge of other organizations and services in the District.

5. Community Planning

Members were provided with a brief report on the District’s work around housing continuum.

Action: Cristina to forward a copy of the report to the committee.

6. Presentation and Acknowledgements

As Wendy Hiebert and Arash Rezai have completed their four-year terms on the committee, both were thanked and acknowledged for their work and contributions.

Christine Fagan will also be leaving the committee, and was thanked for her work and contribution.

7. Other Business

No other business was presented.
8. **Next Meeting:** January 17, 2018

9. **Adjournment**
   On a motion made, and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

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**District Vision Statement**

Our goal is to be recognized among the most sustainable communities in the world as demonstrated through our environmental stewardship, strong network of neighbourhoods, a vibrant economy and community-driven growth and change.