MINUTES

Present:  Cathy Harvey  
          CS Kim  
          Constantine McQuade  
          Victor Schwartzman  
          Claire Shepansky (Vice Chair)  
          Matina Spiropoulos  
          Pamela Wilkinson  
          Donna Zwickel  

Regrets:  Zari Abtahi  
          Ashraf Amlani  
          Emma Gibbons (Chair)  
          Maryam Zarenejad  

Staff:  Cristina Rucci, Staff Liaison  
        Mary Jukich, Committee Clerk  

1. Welcome  
The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Adoption of Agenda  
MOVED, seconded and resolved  
To adopt the agenda.  
CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes  
MOVED, seconded and resolved  
To adopt the May 22, 2019 and May 29, 2019 minutes.  
CARRIED

4. Business Arising  
No business arising was presented.

5. Reconciliation  
Pam Wilkinson provided a reconciliation spreadsheet and an overview on the formula to be used in determining the final grant amounts. For 2019, there were 51 grant applications totaling approximately $205,021. Members were requested to review two Options for reconciling the grants. On discussion and review, members indicated agreement that the following calculation be used in determining the recommended amount:  

Grants under $1,000 no reduction  
Grants $1,000 to $3,000 reduced by approximately 10%  
Grants greater than $3,000 reduced by approximately 23%  
New programs received approximately a 50% reduction.
Members discussed various issues that may arise with the proposed formula and that it may be beneficial to consider informing organizations the context of the amounts granted. As well, members discussed challenges faced by the organizations and their need for funding. It was noted that Option 2 was in line with the formula used in past years.

MOVED, seconded and resolved
To accept Option 2 of the Reconciliation Report be approved.
CARRIED
Unanimous

6. Noticeable Trends/Observations

Members were requested to provide feedback on noticeable trends/observations noted while they interviewed and reviewed the various organizations. The following comments were provided:

- Food security came out as a noticeable trend amongst the residents;
- Some organizations were dealing with the rising cost of living by allowing residents to attend their programs for free. Other organizations requested more funding in order to keep up with the cost of living, rent and other costs.
- Some programs were subsidizing costs for people who could not afford to attend the programs.
- Members noted a change in population/demographics in population, a lot of organization demand is increasing specifically for seniors, aging population, more seniors are living in/moving to the North Shore. The population in the North shore has become unstable compared to what it was historically as families are moving out.
- Some members noticed a change in funding requests as a result of gaming grants and United Way being pulled. Some organizations reached out to the District as a result of gaming grants being pulled.
- Some organizations were facing issues with the lack of volunteers to mentor participants because residents do not seem to have free time anymore. This could be a result of people having more than one job.
- Residents are harder up than years ago; society is changing and support systems are also changing.
- There was a feeling that some areas of the North Shore may not be an integrated society.
• The North Shore is missing a younger community; the area is aging quickly and this will make an impact on the community, landscape/economy, medical/housing.

7. **Recommendation Forms / Accountability Forms**
   Members were reminded to send any outstanding Recommendation Forms and Accountability Forms to the Committee Clerk.

8. **Next Meeting**
   The next meeting will be the Permissive Tax Exemption meeting on June 19th at 6:30 pm and the subsequent meeting on Wednesday, June 26th.

9. **Adjournment**
   The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 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.