

VANCOUVER CIVIC THEATRES BOARD

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 23, 2017

A meeting of the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board was held on Thursday, November 23, 2017, at 12:08 pm, in the Queen Elizabeth Theatre Salon, 630 Hamilton Street, Vancouver BC.

PRESENT: Rob Haynes, Chair

Susan Adams, Vice-Chair

Christopher Ball Hugh Cochlin Patricia McSherry Wendy Soobis

ALSO PRESENT: Sandra Gajic, Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres, Staff

Liaison

Guy Leroux, Associate Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres Krista Edwardson, Senior Manager, Sales, Vancouver Civic

Theatres

Efrat Gal-Or, Senior Manager, Theatre Operations,

Vancouver Civic Theatres

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Tina Hildebrandt, Meeting Coordinator

WELCOME

The Chair acknowledged that we are on the traditional unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Patricia McSherry SECONDED by Wendy Soobis

THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board approve a leave of absence for Christopher Ball from the meeting to be held January 25, 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes - October 19, 2017

MOVED by Susan Adams SECONDED by Christopher Ball

THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board approve the minutes from the meeting held October 19, 2017, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Chair's Comments

The Chair commented on the following:

- Orpheum 90;
- Chan Centre 20th Anniversary;
- appointments; and
- annual 'Report of Activities'.

2. Follow-up: Work Plan Discussion

At the last meeting held October 19, 2017, the Board discussed work plan goals for 2018 and brainstormed ideas to improve the Board's governance structure and ways to effectively manage meetings.

Accordingly, the Vice-Chair sought additional feedback.

In discussion, recommendations included the following:

- continue with same objectives and include a succession plan from the Director, VCT;
- add an educational/learning component; and
- review Cultural Plan 2008-2018.

In response to comments regarding upcoming appointments, the Meeting Coordinator reviewed the timeline.

3. Sector Update Discussion

Sandra Gajic, Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres, provided brief updates on Vancouver Opera and Ballet BC and, along with Krista Edwardson, Senior Manager, Sales, Vancouver Civic Theatres, responded to questions.

The Board requested the Managing Director of Cultural Services provide a more detailed report on Vancouver Opera at the next meeting on January 25, 2018.

4. Programming

Ms. Gajic and Ms. Edwardson provided a brief update on VCT Programming and responded to questions.

5. Finance Report

Guy Leroux, Associate Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres, reviewed the Financial Report for October and, along with Ms. Gajic, responded to questions.

There was a brief discussion on whether Cultural Services should become a separate portfolio and the Chair agreed to provide Councillor Ball with a written proposal.

The Board congratulated staff for their outstanding efforts this year.

6. Directors Report

Ms. Gajic reviewed the report and, along with Mr. Leroux, responded to questions.

7. 2018 Meeting Schedule

MOVED by Patricia McSherry SECONDED by Christopher Ball

THAT Vancouver Civic Theatres Board approve the 2018 Meeting Schedule as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. New Business

a) Acknowledgement

The Board thanked the Chair and Vice-Chair for their leadership this year.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Hugh Cochlin SECONDED by Patricia McSherry

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: Thursday, January 25, 2018

TIME: 12 Noon

PLACE: Queen Elizabeth Theatre Salon

630 Hamilton Street, Vancouver, BC

The Board adjourned at 1:39 pm.

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