



VANCOUVER CIVIC THEATRES BOARD

MINUTES

October 19, 2017

A meeting of the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board was held on Thursday, October 19, 2017, at 12:00 pm, in the Queen Elizabeth Theatre Director's Office, 630 Hamilton Street Vancouver, BC.

PRESENT: Susan Adams, Vice-Chair
Christopher Ball
Hugh Cochlin
Patricia McSherry

ABSENT: Rob Haynes, Chair (Leave of Absence)
Wendy Soobis (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Elizabeth Ball, Council Liaison
Guy Leroux, Associate Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Denise Swanston, Committee Clerk

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

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Christopher Ball
SECONDED by Patricia McSherry

THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board approve a Leave of Absence for Wendy Soobis for today's meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Hugh Cochlin
SECONDED by Christopher Ball

THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board approve the Minutes from the meeting held September 21, 2017, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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The Board agreed to vary the order of the Agenda to deal with Items 4 and 5 first, and then Items 1, 2, 3, and 6. For ease of reference, the Minutes are recorded in numerical order.

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1. Chair's Comments

Sue Adams, Vice-Chair, noted the presentation to Council of Councils was well received.

2. VCT Board Work Plan #3 Update on New Business Model

Ms. Adams led discussion regarding work plan goals for next year, noting that the Board should be thinking forward, while staff concentrates on the business aspect.

The board brainstormed ideas to improve the Board's governance structure and ways to effectively manage meetings and build for future resiliency.

3. VCT Board Work Plan #5 Discussion: By-laws and Board Composition

As this Board is distinct from most other Vancouver advisory committees, discussion arose regarding the possibility of re-examining the Board's governance model.

Board members felt it would be worthwhile to evaluate current board members' skills to gain a better sense of everyone's expertise; this in turn would assist in the recruitment of new members and round out the board's professional capabilities.

4. Finance Report

Guy Leroux, Associate Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres, reviewed the Financial Report for September and responded to questions and comments from the Board.

Kate Swaney, Marketing Coordinator, discussed the Orpheum's upcoming 90th celebration, and encouraged board members to share the event on their social media platforms.

Staff hope to secure in-house support for the new website, which has received much positive feedback since its launch.

5. Director's Report

On behalf of the Director, Mr. Leroux noted there were no further additions to the Director's report as circulated.

6. New Business

The Board thanked and congratulated staff for the ongoing work that's been done to enhance and improve Vancouver's Civic Theatres.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Christopher Ball
SECONDED by Hugh Cochlin

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: November 23, 2017
TIME: 12:00 pm
PLACE: Queen Elizabeth Theatre Salon
630 Hamilton Street, Vancouver, BC

The Board adjourned at 1:30 pm.

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