



VANCOUVER CIVIC THEATRES BOARD

MINUTES

APRIL 26, 2018

A meeting of the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board was held on Thursday, April 26, 2018, at 12:07 pm, in the Queen Elizabeth Theatre Boardroom, 649 Cambie Street, Vancouver BC.

PRESENT: Susan Adams, Vice-Chair
Christopher Ball
Hugh Cochlin
Donna Wong-Juliani
Wendy Soobis

ABSENT: Rob Haynes, Chair (Leave of Absence)

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: Denise Swanston, Meeting Coordinator

WELCOME

The Vice-Chair acknowledged that we are on the unceded homelands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations and we give thanks for their generosity and hospitality on these lands.

Leave of Absence Requests

None.

Approval of Minutes – March 15, and April 4, 2018

MOVED by Christopher Ball
SECONDED by Wendy Soobis

THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board approve the Minutes from the meeting held March 15, 2018, as circulated;

FURTHER THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board approve the Minutes from the Special meeting held April 4, 2018, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Ms. Gajic agreed to follow up and distribute the final version of the Vancouver Civic Theatres Booking Reference Guide to members.

1. Chair's Comments

The Vice-Chair provided brief comments on the following:

- Sandra Singh, the new General Manager of Arts, Culture and Community Services will attend the next Board meeting; Vice-Chair asked members to make note of items to discuss with her;
- Sudden passing of Patricia McSherry; and
- Kelly Tweeddale, President, Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, to attend the next Board meeting.

Christopher Ball provided an update on Councillor Ball, noting that she is recovering well.

2. Arts and Culture Policy Council (ACPC) Report

Wendy Soobis noted that ACPC's working session was cancelled, but mentioned that ACPC will receive a presentation regarding the Creative City Strategy at the next meeting, and will provide the board with an update after that meeting.

3. Day of Music

The Vancouver Symphony Orchestra (VSO) will celebrate its 100th anniversary in January 2019. As part of the celebration the VSO will present a Day of Music which will showcase free and low-barrier events for the community. The Board discussed funding to host the event.

MOVED by Donna Wong-Juliani
SECONDED by Christopher Ball

THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board heartedly endorses and wishes to support Day of Music, in collaboration with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, in honor of the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra's 100th anniversary;

FURTHER THAT the Board supports staff in seeking the necessary funds, outside the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board operating budget, to fund this event.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Finance Report

Mr. Leroux reviewed the financial statements, noting they have been presented to Ms. Singh.

The Board reviewed the 2018 Workplan, noting both guest satisfaction and financial stability as priorities.

The Board was encouraged to consider top priority items to address with Ms. Singh at the upcoming meeting.

Some board members were concerned about the amount of money that has gone towards ambiguous costs related to shared-services with the City. Furthermore, the board felt it was important for the City to recognize that the Vancouver Civic Theatres were not created as a for-profit business.

5. Director's Report

Ms. Gajic reviewed her report (copy on file) and responded to questions.

6. New Business

a) Queen Elizabeth Plaza

Renaming of the Queen Elizabeth Plaza will likely be decided and revealed on Indigenous Day (June 21, 2018).

b) Appointments

Ms. Gajic noted that it is anticipated that three new members will be appointed to the Board sometime this month.

c) New Meeting Venue

The Board was reminded that meetings will now be held in the Queen Elizabeth Theatre Boardroom, rather than the Salon.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Christopher Ball
SECONDED by Wendy Soobis

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: Thursday, May 24, 2018
TIME: 12 Noon
PLACE: Queen Elizabeth Theatre Boardroom
649 Cambie Street, Vancouver, BC

The Board adjourned at 1:35pm.

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