



## VANCOUVER CIVIC THEATRES BOARD

### MINUTES

September 16, 2021

A meeting of the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board was held on Thursday, September 16, 2021, at 12:11 pm, via electronic means.

**PRESENT:** Ann-Marie Copping, Chair  
Diane Brown  
Alex Read  
Paul Sihota\*  
Wendy Soobis\*, Vice-Chair  
Mike Vulgaris  
Donna Wong-Juliani  
Janice Wu

**ABSENT:** Adrian Fischer (Leave of Absence)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Natalie Lue, Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres  
(*Staff Liaison*)  
Guy Leroux, Associate Director, Vancouver Civic Theatres

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Kevin Burris, Manager, Civic Agencies

\*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting

### WELCOME

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

### Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Wendy Soobis  
SECONDED by Diane Brown

THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board approve a leave of absence for Adrian Fischer.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Diane Brown and Janice Wu requested leaves of absence for the next VCTB meeting, October 21, 2021.

### Approval of Minutes

Wendy Soobis asked that the July 15 meeting minutes reflect changes in meeting Chair over the course of the meeting.

MOVED by Donna Wong-Juliani  
SECONDED by Alex Read

THAT the Vancouver Civic Theatres Board approve the Minutes from the meeting of Thursday, July 15, 2021, as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**1. Chair's Comments**

The Chair noted the return to in-person theatre events, and acknowledged staff who have continued staging events over the summer. The Chair also discussed the Board's visioning document, which was shared with members and liaisons.

**2. Council Liaison's Comments**

Councillor Dominato was not able to attend the meeting, and sent regrets.

**3. Cultural Services Update**

The Managing Director of Cultural Services was not able to attend the meeting, and sent regrets.

**4. Arts & Culture Advisory Committee Update**

Paul Sihota provided an update on the ACAC meeting held September 7, 2021, and responded to questions.

**5. Finance Report**

The Associate Director of VCT reviewed the report and responded to questions.

**6. Director's Report**

The Director of VCT reviewed the report and responded to questions.

**7. New Business**

Diane Brown informed members of an upcoming show at the Cultch.

The Chair suggested having a guest artist or client speak at a future meeting. Donna Wong-Juliani agreed to look into this, and suggested inviting one large client and one smaller client.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Alex Read  
SECONDED by Diane Brown

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Wendy Soobis and Paul Sihota absent for the vote)

### **Next Meeting:**

DATE: Thursday, October 21, 2021  
TIME: 12:00 pm  
PLACE: TBD

The Committee adjourned at 1:20 pm.

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