KERRISDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE SOCIETY

Minutes of the 31st Annual Meeting of the Society, held in the auditorium of the Centre, 5851 West Boulevard, Vancouver, B. C. on MAY 30, 1974.

The meeting was called to order at 8 p.m. by the President, Mrs. E. M. Primeau. 45 members of the Society were in attendance.

Presentation to Arena Personnel - The first item on the agenda was presentation of engraved trays to Harry Atkinson, Arena Manager, Bruce Graham, Assistant Arena Manager and to Mrs.Florence Morgan a long time Arena staff member, in appreciation of their service to the Community over the years.

The Notice of Annual Meeting was read aloud to the meeting.

Minutes of the 30th Annual Meeting were approved as circulated on motion of W. Wood, seconded by M. Neilson.

President's Message - Mrs. Primeau reviewed the text of her message in the annual report (filed at the Centre office).

By-Laws - Solicitor E. Pat Kinney reviewed briefly Consolidated By-Laws (1974) drawn up which include revisions and all changes approved since 1963. Accordingly it was regularly moved and seconded that these by-laws be adopted. Motion carried.

Report of Nominating Committee - Chas. MacKeracher, as Chairman of the Nominating Committee presented slate of candidates for election. Ten directors to be elected; 9 for 2 year term; 1 for 1 year term. All candidates spoke briefly to the meeting. There was one nomination from the floor; Jack Janzen.

Financial Statement - the audited report of the Society to the year end April 30, 1974 was reviewed by Treasurer J. Savenye. His motion for approval was seconded by Mrs. J. Eaton. Motion carried.

Arena Report - Allan Bennett reviewed the Arena Report as filed in the annual report.

Centre Director's Report - Miss Asuma prefaced her remarks by saying that the booklet gives an overview of what has happened at Kerrisdale this past year and her thoughts are directed this evening to "What do we do at Kerrisdale over the next few years?" We recorded 2500 sessions more in this past year than in the previous year - smaller groups, but more of them. School gymnasiums have been used somewhat in this past year, mostly for soccer conditioning. Miss Asuma said it is her sincere hope that the Public Library and Metropolitan Health Units will find other facilities so that we may expand activities into the north wing of the building to accommodate our ever-increasing programs. The space in the Centre is entirely used from 9:00 A.M. to 10:30 daily - even pre-school sessions in the gym having been increased from 2 to 4 hours. The situation for space has become really critical and Miss Asuma emphasized the necessity for additional facilities being made available.

Miss Asuma spoke of the 4 employees we have been able to hire through the L.I.P. grant which ends June 30th, and it is hoped the Society will be able to pick up the salaries of one or two of these people so that the present level of efficiency may be maintained. She mentioned that building repairs have cost a good deal and pointed out that the only revenue for repairs and equipment earned by the Societycomes from rentals. In closing she mentioned the "most wonderful working relationship with the Board at Kerrisdale" and also thanked Mr. Len Ryan of the Parks Board for his guidance.

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Mrs. May Brown, Commissioner, Board of Parks and Public Recreation expressed appreciation for the manner in which Kerrisdale Centre operates, describing it as a "model" Centre.

Mr. David Howden spoke for the Board at Kerrisdale in saying that much of Kerrisdale's successful, exemplary operation is due to the work of Miss Asuma and spoke particularly of her assistance "above and beyond the call of duty" in handling much of the accounting duties after the sudden passing of Jack Weir, our accountant, until the new encumbent, Mr. Don Ashton, joined the staff.

RESULTS OF BALLOTS - Elected for a 2 year term: Mrs. M. Brown, John Carr, Marion Drake, Allan Hare, David Howden, Jack Janzen, E.Pat Kinney and W. Wood. Tie between George Chapman and M. Dupley. Mr. Chapman asked that Mrs. Dupley assume the position for 1 year directorship. Also elected for two years, H. Webb. Motion to destroy ballots was approved.

Mrs. Primeau expressed thanks to all candidates who allowed their names to stand and asked those not elected to join the Board as committee members. Thanks were given to Chas. MacKeracher for his chairmanship of the Nominating Committee.

Motion for adjournment was received at 8:55 p.m.