

In Attendance:

Arnie Chang, June Yee, Terry Kirstiuk, Lorraine Kirstiuk, Melanie Parks, Ken Ross, Patti Palm, Rocky Dinh, Ursula Hubel, Justin George, Ravinder Bhatia, Warren Creighton, Nitish Thakur, Silvia Laforges, Lauren Christensen

Regrets: Martha Harrison, Pat Brand, Sukhwinder Pal Singh

Recorder: Cindy Wong

1.00 CALL TO ORDER

1.01 The Board Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm, Chaired by June Yee

We [I] would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we [I] gather is the unceded territory of the Coast Salish Peoples,6 including the territories of the xʷməθkʷəjəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), Stó:lō and Səl̓ilwətaʔ/Selilwitulh (TseilWaututh) Nations.

1.02 Approval of Agenda

MOTION: To approve the agenda as presented. Moved by Ursula, Seconded by Melanie; Carried.

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the Nov 25th, 2025 Board Meeting. Moved by Arnie, Seconded by Lorraine; Carried.

2.00 UPDATES & REPORTS

2.01 Oath of Office – Parks Board Commissioner

2.02 Parks Board Highlights – Laura Christensen

- Snow/Ice policy
 - Budget is reallocated when not used
 - Still need to have work done for frost
- Discussion around FIFA events at community centres
- February 16th – enforcing paid parking for select community centres

2.03 President's Report – June

- Concession update
 - Gross sales December 2025 - \$17,491.73 (18 days)
 - Gross sales November 2025 - \$26,538.58 (24 days)
 - Switched from Grimm's to Costco hot dogs
 - Removed unpopular items (smokies, carrot cake, scones, croissant, croissant sandwiches)
 - Took out egg and chicken salad until summer
 - All in one machine seems popular, will renew contract at end of January 2026
 - Moneris – still few bugs
- Shredathon
 - Still waiting for update
- Hampers for families in need
 - Society put together 15 hampers before Christmas break
 - 9 went to schools and 6 to seniors
- Readerboard
 - Up and running and looks great
- Craft Fair & Lighting Update
 - Plans to make changes next year after review
 - Success and will ensure it is not held on Black Friday weekend again
 - Tree lighting was fun – highlights include crafts and cookie decorating, added photos with Santa
- Winter Celebration Dinner at Riverway Clubhouse
 - Attendance was down, food was excellent
- Podium
 - Purchased a podium (\$238 plus tax)
- 98" Samsung TV
 - New TV installed
 - Will be used to view some Winter Olympics events

- Seniors lounge and Grand hall will also be used for viewing major events
- Admin Accounting staff hours
 - Nhu Van and Susan decreased work days from 5 to 4
- 2.04 Recreation Killarney Supervisor Report: Silvia Laforges
 - School Board will be implementing paid parking after school hours
 - Staffing changes
 - Silvia will be supporting during FIFA (January/February/March) at 50%, and full time after April
 - Tony will support pool and Silvia will support community centre (until April)
 - Kelsey has taken a position at Hillcrest (on-site maintenance tech)
 - FIFA update
 - Working with Destination Vancouver to create a printable home-kit for businesses
 - Can be used for promotional/marketing purposes
 - Track and Field
 - Flag poles reinstalled
 - Asking about additional benches (will have to go through bench program)
 - Will inquire about acknowledgement plaque for Harry Jerome by fitness circuit
 - Ian Mackay plaque will be relocated
 - Readerboard
 - Incentive budget paid for about half, Society paid for balance
- 2.05 Treasurer's Report - attached
- 2.06 Affiliated Groups
 - Killarney Figure Skating Club – report provided
 - Vancouver Minor Hockey Association – n/a
 - Killarney Gators Swim Club – n/a
 - Vancouver Female Ice Hockey Association – n/a
 - Vancouver Minor Lacrosse Association – n/a
 - Killarney Youth Soccer Association – Warren Creighton
 - Society would like to have KYSA involved in promoting Zumba for Cure
- 2.07 Seniors Council – report provided
 - Christmas luncheons well attended
 - Coming up: Feb 11th – Mardi Gras luncheon, sold out
 - Summer Sizzler – questionnaire about what programs patrons would like to see
 - Pole walking, book share club, etc
 - Seniors event in June with 50s/60s/70s theme, nostalgic dance event
 - Why are there no meetings in December, July/August?
 - Terms of reference only requires 9 meetings, many members are on vacation during those months
 - Groups can increase number of meetings if needed
 - Audio equipment – hoping to have someone sort through and organize equipment
 - Maintenance and repair of equipment is contracted out
 - Faulty equipment can be caused by improper use and storage
- 2.08 Pre-school/OSC update - report provided
 - Grants completed, waiting for approval
 - Open house (preschool) – February 7th
 - Preschool fee increases – T/Th \$121 to \$128.65, M/W/F \$171 to \$181.72
 - Under CCOF can only increase fees by 3%
 - Working on a summer pre-kindergarten program
 - Out of School Care – lots of inquiries, 2 new families this month
 - Staff want to thank Society for wonderful dinner

2.09 Special Events

- Family movie night
 - Friday January 16th – Freakier Friday, only 20 people attended and collected \$10 in donation
 - Next movie: Bad Guys 2
- Upcoming Craft Fair/Tree lighting
 - Decided not to have 2 events on same day and not to use Grand Hall
 - Should fit everyone in gymnasium and main hall
 - Tree lighting on November 28th, 2026, Craft Fair – December 5th, 2026
- Added events: Valentine’s Dinner/Dance, Card Show, Vintage Car show
 - Mother’s Day luncheon (2027)
 - Weekend lobby entertainment
 - Due to liability, car show would need special approval from Parks Board and require security
 - Youth skating event – before ice is removed
- Zumba for Cure
 - 3 sessions on April 18th, max 250 capacity per
 - \$45 for registration and tshirt
 - Tarcila’s art will be framed and displayed in lobby prior to auction
 - Working with BC Cancer Foundation to set up fundraising

2.10 Fitness Report – report provided

- Equipment was recently reupholstered but finding a lot of wear and tear already
 - Will see if there is a more durable material
- Step Challenge initiative
 - For patrons to interact more with attendants

2.11 Program Committee – report provided

- New programs: looking into dog obedience class, ukelele class, future workshops around Indigenous programs
- Monthly Food Bank partnership inquiry
- Capoeira instructor passed away and a counseling session was held at Killarney
- New programs coming along

3.0 OLD BUSINESS

- 3.01 Strategic Planning – workshops
- 3.02 Readerboard Pillars – work in progress

4.00 NEW BUSINESS

4.01 Harry Jerome

- Arnie reached out to Harry Jerome’s sister, Valerie, asking about his involvement with KCCS since his picture is framed in the Board Room
- Harry was a member of the KCC Board, involved in field upgrades and coached the soccer team
- Would like to frame his photo with plaque to acknowledge his efforts with Killarney
- Include memorial at new track
 - In the process of inquiring how we can include Harry’s name in the new Killarney track
 - Requirements: formal letter from family, public support, history, approval of land property owners
- Board would like to educate everyone about Harry Jerome’s history

4.02 Windows – painted for Olympics and FIFA

- Current display will be cleaned off by end of month
- Painting front and side lobby plus grand hall would cost \$1000
 - Grand hall windows will be covered for FIFA, can instead decorate Seniors lounge with banners and only paint lobby glass for \$600
 - Hope to finish painting by Olympics opening ceremony (February 6th, 2026)

MOTION: To approve a funding request of \$600 to paint the lobby windows with Olympic and FIFA themes.
Moved by Terry, Seconded by Ursula; Carried.

5.00 ADJOURNMENT – NEXT MEETING, FEBRUARY 24TH, 2026

MOTION: To adjourn the Board Meeting at 8:33 p.m.; Motion Carried.

Chair: June Yee