

MINUTES OF NEIGHBOURS COMMITTEE FEBRUARY 26, 2014

Present: Marsha Melnik (chair) Gord Hamilton (Board Liaison) John Hardie, Lillian Mierzwa, Pauline Walsh, Renate Dickman, Niloofar Irani.

Absent: Aline Henderson

Minutes: Lillian Mierzwa

1. January Minutes - accepted
2. Communication from Board – Gord reported that a decision re Neighbours budget has not been finalized but submission was favourably received.
Plan: Followup at next meeting.
3. New Residents Kit
Action: - Marsha & Niloofar will work on contents of kit.
-John will work on Logo for kit.
Plan: -Followup at next meeting.
4. Interest Survey Results – fantastic return of survey presented by Marsha.

(A)Renovations Tour - 48 responses from residents interest in visiting renovated units.
- 10 responses from residents willing to host a tour of their unit.

Discussion: Re structure of tour, safety issues, date, time and involvement of host residents in planning.

Plan: Invite the host residents to a planning meeting to discuss and finalize the plans using the following suggestions as points of discussion:

- (1) Limiting Tour to Residents only.
- (2) Holding tour in the fall. Some renos will be completed by then.
- (3) Having visitors sign in in the meeting room & providing them with name tag.
- (4) Providing hosts with guest list.
- (5) Identifying 2 hour visiting period for visitors and host.
- (6) Identifying areas for viewing and/or indicating areas off limits in host units.
- (7) Providing cards of contractors/suppliers in host units.
- (8) Identifying time and date for hosts wishing to visit each others units.
- (9) Planning wine and cheese event for hosts at time, place, date of their choice.
- (10) Allowing photos to be taken of renovations.
- (11) Making videos of renovations by John Hardie.

Action: Pauline will draft an invitation to residents hosting a tour to attend a planning meeting and will present the draft for discussion at the next meeting .

(B) Hobby and Craft Show – 5 responses re displaying crafts
39 responses re attending show

Discussion: - (1) about giving broader definition of event to include collectibles, demonstrations of craft making, wine tasting, etc.
(2) about including entertainment or wine and cheese to add to social atmosphere.

Action: Marsha to work on gathering more information for further discussion.

5. Other Business – (1) Marsha reported that Health & Safety Committee is working on some ideas that may link with Neighbours Committee
(2) John reported that he is revising the Web Site which will have one page for brochures and videos that will relate to both Health & Safety and Neighbours Committees.
(3) John reported that Olivethat is willing to provide seminars at their site for groups of 10.
(4) John requested a brief summary about the Neighbours Committee to include in “What’s Happening” .

Action: Marsha will do this.

6. Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 19th, 11:00 a.m.