

**THE FRIENDS OF THE MARKHAM MUSEUM BOARD**  
**Meeting No. 19**  
**Mount Joy Administration Building, Markham Museum**  
**Wednesday, January 11, 2012 – 5 p.m.**

<b>In Attendance:</b>	<b>Regrets:</b>
John Buie, Chair	Debbie Wong
Edmund Li	John Ryerson, Director of Culture
Bob Baird	Carolina Moretti
Glenn Schick	
Martha Mingay	
Randy Barber	
<i>Ex Officio</i>	
Cathy Molloy, Museum Director	
<b>Staff:</b> Matthew Wright (Recording Secretary)	

### **1. CALL TO ORDER & OPENING REMARKS**

The meeting of the Friends of Markham Museum Board was called to order at 5:06 p.m. with J. Buie presiding as Chair.

The Chair welcomed the Board of Directors back from holidays and expressed optimism for the coming year.

### **2. BOARD EDUCATION**

C. Molloy gave a presentation on Audience Development which had been given at the Making Culture Matter Symposium at Centennial College on December 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **3. REGRETS**

D. Wong, C. Moretti, J. Ryerson

### **4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF MEETING**

*Moved by R. Barber*

*Seconded by G. Schick,*

**THAT** the minutes of the Friends of Markham Museum for December 7, 2011 (as attached) be approved. **Carried. (4.1)**

### **5. ADDITIONS / CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

Other Business:   12. b) Donations  
                          c) Children's Garden

### **6. DECLARATIONS**

Nil.

### **7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- a) The ArtsVest application has been approved. This money will be used to fund two temporary exhibits at the Museum in 2012.
  - b) Last meeting the board approved in principle the purchase of some snowshoes for the Museum's education programs. The board received a "thank you" letter from Andrea Carpenter, Program Coordinator.
- The Chair expressed that he felt the money went to a good cause.

## **8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT - C. Molloy**

C. Molloy presented the Museum's 2012 Business Plan to the Board. This presentation covered all departments and also touched on some of the larger projects including the future of the new land.

## **9. SECRETARY'S REPORT – M. Mingay**

M. Mingay reminded the Board that they need to have an annual meeting. The Chair gave that the financial statements are needed before this can happen, and will be available soon.

M. Mingay also stated that the terms of herself and G. Schick would be ending soon.

## **10. TREASURER'S REPORT – D. Wong**

Absent.

## **11. Committee Reports**

### **a) Executive Committee**

No report.

### **b) Museum Collection Committee**

B. Baird gave a report (attached).

### **c) Development Committee**

Winterfest sponsors are coming through and helping out with the DJ cost and providing hot chocolate to visitors. M. Mingay will meet with C. Molloy and Event Coordinator Enzo Greco to discuss further.

The Committee is looking at entertainment for the 2012 Gala. The event will have a Country & Western theme, and they are trying to find a suitable performer.

### **d) Volunteer Committee**

G. Schick read a letter from Museum Director C. Molloy about 2011 Scaysbrook Volunteer Award recipient Abdullah Nensey. Abdullah gave 430 hours of his time to the Museum while still in high school.

Discussions were had about modifications to the plaque or gifts for future recipients.

## **12. OTHER BUSINESS**

a) The Chair reminded the Board of the Revenue Canada Workshop for Charities

### **b) Donations**

The Friends of Markham Museum received a donation through Canada Helps, an organization that connects donors with charities for a small fee. If the Friends register with Canada Helps, this admin fee is lowered to 1% of the transaction.

The Chair read the message of support from the donor.

### **c) Children's Garden – E. Li**

The group had a meeting and created new designs: smaller, more cost-effective.

Various Board members expressed concern over the maintenance of the gardens in the future.

*Moved by E. Li*

*Seconded by G. Schick,*

**THAT** the Friends of Markham Museum apply for capital to support the garden project.

**Carried.** (12.c.1)

The Chair thanked E. Li for all of his work on the gardens.

## **13. NEXT MEETING**

The next scheduled meeting of the Friends of Markham Museum Board will be held on Wednesday, February 1 at 5 pm at Markham Museum in the Mount Joy Board Room.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

*Moved by B. Baird*  
*Seconded by E. Li,*

**THAT** the January 11, 2012 meeting of the Friends of Markham Museum Board be adjourned  
**Carried. (14.1)**

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.