

Valley Gardens Community Centre Inc.
Virtual 2021 Annual General Meeting Minutes via Zoom:
Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Attendance: Attendance of VGCC Board Members and Community Members was done via a registration process. Registrants received an AGM package and Zoom meeting link via email. Registration attendance is attached.
Please note that there were 32 participants in attendance for the AGM 2021.

- 1. Call to order at 7:10 p.m.**
- 2. Introductions of Board Members:**

VGCC President Karen Kummen Diak welcomed and thanked Wendy Hein from CGWCC for joining us and convening the AGM prior to introducing the VGCC Board Members.

- 3. Approval of Agenda:**

Motion: to approve the Agenda by Jackie Simpson, 2nd by Nancy Krahn. All in favour. Carried.

- 4. Approval of AGM 2020 Meeting Minutes:**

Motion: to approve the Minutes as presented from the 2020 AGM Wednesday, November 25, 2020 by Nancy Krahn, 2nd by Eugene Beaucage. All in favour. Carried.

- 5. Report of the President:**

Karen welcomed all the community members and thanked them for their time in participating in the virtual AGM. She acknowledged and thanked the current VGCC Board of Directors and all the volunteers past and present, for their hard work and dedication this past year. Special acknowledgement was made to past VGCC Board Members who made an important impact on the club and VG community. Karen highlighted just some of the major projects and celebrations that have been completed at VGCC and the optimism of continuing to improve VGCC in the year ahead. Please see her full introductions and report below:

Introduction of the Volunteer Board of Directors

Subhdeep Sidu – Subhdeep has served on the board of directors in several capacities, including past president and hardball convener. He is currently serving as Vice President of Programming.

Roly Jolicoeur (Joli-Core) – Vice President of Operations - Roly has served on the board for over 6 years, he oversees all things building and maintenance. He works closely with our Club GM in ensuring our facilities are in top running order.

James Franz – Treasurer - James joined the board this past November and has taken on the role of treasurer. James has a huge responsibility of having firsthand knowledge of all things money as it relates to the club.

Sue Atkins – Sue is another veteran volunteer at the club, she offers administrative support to the board in the role of Secretary.

Dishant Belani – Special Events Director - Had 2020 been any other year Dishant would have been very busy overseeing all the fun and festive club organized events. We are looking forward to seeing what he has planned once restrictions are loosened later this year.

Terra Fehr – Hockey Convener - Volunteer Convener's have such a big job in organizing and executing their sport. Terra has been on the board for a couple of years now and is an integral part of the hockey program.

Mike Buenaventura – Unfortunately Mike couldn't join us this evening, but he was formerly our club treasurer and last November Mike moved into the Softball Convener role.

Shane Fox – Shane has been on the board for several years. He has served as a Volunteer Director, the VP of Programming, Ringette and now our Hardball Convener.

Nancy Krahn – Basketball Convener - Nancy has been on the board for quite a few years as well and is an instrumental part of the basketball program.

Ryan Watson – Ryan joined us earlier this year and oversees the Mini Soccer program.

Jason Moniz – Senior Soccer Convener - The Senior Soccer Convener over-see both Spring and Winter Soccer programs through the club.

Eugene Beaucage – has served in the role of Softball convener and is now taking on the role of Ringette convener.

A big thank you goes out to the entire Board for all of their hard work and dedication!

President's Report – 2021 AGM

My name is Karen Kummen Diak, and I am the club President. 2020 was a year unlike any other. Our club, with the exception of the daycare was closed more than it was open. We didn't see the usual events or sport programs as we have in other years. Our volunteer board of directors continued to meet each month as we navigated sport cancellations, government imposed restrictions and ever changing regulations. We saw our first ever AGM hosted via ZOOM last November after being rescheduled several times. Now, just a few short months later we are hosting our 2nd online AGM. A BIG Thank you goes out to all of you who are attending this evening. I would also like to express our gratitude to our City Councillors and MLA's for their ongoing support. Thank you goes out to Matt Wiebe, Andrew Micklefield, Jeff Browty, Shaun Nasson and Jason Schryer. I'd like to take a moment to thank our Club General Manager, Cher Hebert. The only thing predictable in 2020 was that Cher continued to keep the ship sailing. Whether working from home or at the office, Cher navigated the challenges that came with running a community center in a pandemic and she did it well! Thank you Cher for continuing to do such an amazing job for the club and the community. The VGCC Board of Directors is looking forward to the coming year. We continue to look for ways to provide programs that are relevant, enriching and enjoyed by our community. We are also always looking for ways to improve community spaces. The Ball Diamonds are our focus for 2021. We have applied for the Co-Op Community Spaces Grant and hope to hear back in June if we have been approved. Once funding is in place we can move ahead with the fencing upgrade that we had looked at last year. The fields themselves are in need of an upgrade as well. This too is very costly. The board is currently looking at what grants and other funding opportunities may be available to help with these costs. Before I conclude, I'd like to take a quick moment to thank the VGCC Board of Directors, both past and present. Our board devotes countless volunteer hours to the club and often go without thanks or recognition. A huge part of VGCC success and presence in the community is because of these people and for that as a community member and volunteer I thank you. With that being said, this brings to a close the Presidents report. I thank you and will pass the floor to James for his treasurer report. Thank you!

6. Report of the Treasurer of 2020 Financials:

James Franz presented the 2020 Financials to review.

7. Approval of the 2020 Year End Financials:

Motion: to approve the 2020 Financials as by James Franz, 2nd by Jackie Simpson. All in favor. Carried.

8. Director's Reports: For the sake of time all the Sports Directors/Conveners Reports will be posted on line and made available to read. All of the year end reports were also included in the AGM package for participants to review.

9. Election of Officers:

The Slate of Officers was scrutineered by VGCC President Karen Kummen Diak

- a) **Vice President of Operations** – Roland Jolicoeur let his name stand, no other nominations. All in favour. Carried.
- b) **Treasurer** – James Franz let his name stand, no other nominations. All in favour. Carried.
- c) **Softball Convener** – Mike Buenaventura let his name stand, no other nominations. All in favour. Carried.
- d) **Hockey Convener** – Terra Fehr let her name stand, no other nominations. All in favour. Carried.
- e) **Ringette Convener** – Eugene Beaucage let his name stand, no other nominations. All in favour. Carried.
- f) **Basketball Convener** – Nancy Krahn let her name stand, no other nominations. All in favour. Carried.
- g) **Mini Soccer Convener** – Ryan Watson let his name stand, no other nominations. All in favour. Carried.
- h) **Fundraising Director** – Vacant Position - 1st call from the floor for nominations. 2nd call for nominations. 3rd call for nominations. None presented therefore the Board will continue to seek someone to fill the position on VGCC social media.

10. Adjournment: Prior to adjournment an opportunity for community members to share feedback, ask questions or raise any concerns they might have was presented. (The VGCC Board wishes to thank MLA Matt Wiebe for attending the AGM and his supportive words and commitment to the continued success of VGCC and its community.)

Motion: to adjourn at 7:38 p.m. by Karren Kummen Diak, 2nd by Nancy Krahn. All in favour. Carried.

Addendum:

Attendance of participants registered attached.