

**Victoria Regional Women's Committee  
General Meeting Minutes  
February 18, 2014**

**Attendance:** Virginia Vaillancourt, Brenda Esplen, Jeannette Lum, Cindy Little, Kay Ahmadi, Leanne Hughes, Michael Thompson.

**Teleconference:** Vanessa Miller

**Guest:** Tammy Dickeson

**PSAC Staff:** Rosemary MacKenzie

Virginia Vaillancourt called the meeting to order at 5.32 PM.

**Introductions**

Round table introductions of the members in attendance.

**Review of January 7, 2014 Minutes**

A review of the previous meeting minutes took place at this time.

**Motion:** Michael Thompson made the motion to accept the previous minutes.

**Seconded:** Cindy Little

**Carried:** Unanimously

## **Treasurer's Report**

Brenda provided a summary for the committees' chequing and equity accounts.

Jeannette and Leanne will audit our financial report, so it can be sent to Ottawa.

**Motion:** Kay Ahmadi made the motion to accept the reports as presented.

**Seconded:** Michael Thompson

**Carried:** Unanimously

## **Black History Month**

Virginia advised the members that at the end of the meeting we will watch a 20 minute video called Simply the best regarding James Calbert Best.

## **December 6<sup>th</sup> Update**

Virginia advised the members that she had a couple more meetings with the city and after reviewing the City's management plan for Pioneer Square our monument does not meet the park plan or heritage. Virginia was offered Cridge park and Irving Park (we had decided we did not like these places due to location and safety) and she also met with the director of Parks and Recreation. They came up with Holland Point on Dallas Road- Beacon Hill Park, by the water, as there are already two other monuments there by the road.

For us to put our monument there, the city needs to do an archeology report on the site and that information will be submitted to the city. Once the archeology report is complete a report will be submitted to Mayor and Council for decision.

For the design for the poster and pamphlets, Virginia has looked into getting a graphic designer to work on it. A quoted of \$650 to design the poster and the pamphlet and with a 20% discount, it would be \$525. Virginia told him our committee might not be able to afford that price and the designer stated he would do it for the amount the committee can pay. Virginia will talk with PSAC REVP to see if they can assist us with funding for advertising.

The committee discussed the idea of the poster and pamphlets and considered the other advertising we have to do for our December 6<sup>th</sup> event.

**Motion:** Jeannette Lum made the motion we pay ENDesigns \$500 for the creation of the poster and bi-fold pamphlets.

**Seconded:** Vanessa Miller

**Carried:** Unanimously

Virginia had sent a request to Anne Marie Edward's mother to see if she could come out and speak at our event and she respectfully declined.

Virginia spoke with Sylvie Haviernick and she advised Virginia that she would talk to the family members to see if one of them can attend our event. Also our National President Robyn Benson will be attending the event too.

We received a letter from the Women's Transition House thanking us for our donations and supporting their cause and a letter from the Victoria Sexual Assault Centre thanking us for our help.

A brother from UNDE donated a table and chair, pots and pans and blankets through Virginia who worked with the Woman's Transition House to provide the items to a woman who was starting back out on her own.

### **March 8th Event**

10 - 12 people confirmed that they will attend. It was decided for dinner the members would go to Station Pub at 4.30 pm and then go

to the ceramic store by 6.15 pm. There was a \$50 fee charged to have the event in the evening and for making sure there was a staff member available to help us with our pieces.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.15 pm