

GWSA January Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 20, 2021

Invited to this Meeting

Emma Whittaker, CSS Manager

Agenda Items

1.0 Call to Order

Chair of the Meeting: Becky Fiedler

Meeting location: Zoom

2.0 Introduction and Welcome to Emma Whittaker, new CSS manager

Emma Whittaker has joined the GWSA as our new CSS Manager upon Cheri's departure. The GWSA website and The Sentinel both share a brief bio and photo with our members and community.

3.0 In camera: Strategic planning with Cindy Kinnon

4.0 Information Agenda

- We launched the new GWSA website last month. It includes all content from the previous site and more. Please let Brian, Ross or I know if you see any glitches we should address. We continue to invite any information that updates what is on the site, especially as Activity Groups change their details. The Activity Group page is presented in two sections; one for currently active groups and another for dormant groups. Some groups invite new members. Please send one of us a note if there is anything you would like to highlight through the home page blog.
- Roger extended two employees contracts so that all contracts will line up for the end of the financial year. This will help us avoid oversights for contract renewals.
- Thanks to Roger and Wendi for their work to bring Emma on board, configure her computer, careful review of the new website and other miscellaneous but important tasks.
- Per an email dated December 30, we have renewed our insurance with Colley. Roger pointed out that the policy offers no coverage for COVID.
- Dublin Street United Church has formed a task force to consider how they can best share their space with the Guelph Community. Becky requested more information about their facilities in the event we would like to offer programs there when in-person meetings can resume. Pat Gage indicated CSS Outreach programs have met there.
- We're seeing more uptake in Zoom use among activity group leaders. Thank you to Pat Gage for encouraging and supporting them as they try something new. The January Email Update highlighted active groups. See attached.

5.0 Consent Agenda

Items on the consent agenda should be routine and non-controversial. They do not require discussion or questions. This is suitable for approving minutes of the last meeting, correspondence, as well as committee reports marked For Information Only.

Motion

Move to approve items in the Consent Agenda.

6.0 Adoption of the Agenda

Motion

Move to adopt the agenda as published

7.0 Adam Rutherford: City Update

8.0 Treasurer's Report

9.0 Business Carried Forward

9.1 FYI: Committee assignments

Committee appointments generally occur after the AGM. We deferred this, along with election of officers, until after completing the strategic plan. Now that we are approaching the end of the Strategic Planning process, we will need strong committees in place to implement our plans. Please start thinking about where you would like to work, and with whom. We should consider our resources for recruiting more talent to serve on committees.

The Succession Planning and Nomination Committee will be especially important to bring recommendations for new directors ASAP. PIN Network was recently featured in a Guelph Today article. We should consider working with them, and others(?) to seek help recruiting volunteers.

Please be ready to give this careful attention at next month's meeting.

Documents

- [Guelph Today article featuring PIN Network](#)

10.0 New Business

None before the Board this month.

11.0 Next meeting - February 17 at 9:30 am

12.0 Adjournment

Motion

Move to adjourn the meeting.