

COMMUNITY FUND OF NORTH KOOTENAY LAKE

Board Meeting of Tuesday, January 13, 2016

Chamber of Commerce Office, 5th Street

Present: Honora Cooper, President; Paul Hunter, Vice President; David Stewart, Past President; Elaine Toffan, Treasurer; Barney Gilmore, Secretary; Catherine Whitehead; Charles Cuell

Regrets: Rick Hewat

The meeting was convened: at 5:04 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda: Moved by Elaine. **Approved**

Approval of the Minutes of December 17, 2015: Moved by Honora. **Approved**

REPORTS:

Treasurer's report.

Elaine reported deposits in December amounting to \$3,945.93, including the recent Kootenay Savings Credit Union donation of \$3,705, two \$20 memberships, and reimbursements for our Pennywise ads for Giving Tuesday. Cheques were written to Hall Printing for the brochures and \$2,705 from Kootenay Savings was transferred to Osprey, to hold in our flow-through grants account.

Barney was instructed to send a letter of thanks for the recent generous donations to our endowments from Mr. & Mrs. Allan Hobden and Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Whyte.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Our Listing in *The Canadian Donors Guide*. Barney reported that CFNKLS now has a free listing in the forthcoming 2016 Guide book used by lawyers and financial advisors in their work. This listing required CFNKLS to have its own email address. Paul did the necessary work to set up a free gmail account for us at the email address nklcommunityfund@gmail.com. All mail sent to that email address is currently forwarded automatically to Barney, as Secretary. In future, this forwarding address can be changed as needed. Paul has the account information for so doing. And Barney has a copy.

Email motion by Honora re Bursary on January 6th: **Moved:** That we see if we all might agree on a bursary of up to \$3,004 to support an older local student enrolled in the Selkirk College Nursing program for home-care support. Subsequently it was quickly realized that we should open any bursary to all students enrolled in this program, and that was then arranged. At the time of this Board meeting no applicant has yet been awarded such a bursary and the matter has been put on the Agenda under Business Arising (below).

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Current status of CBT-related initiatives, including any "Vital Signs" developments. **Charles** has agreed to monitor and advise us on regional efforts in possible preparation for a local "Vital Signs" initiative. **Rick** will join in tomorrow's tele-conference with the CBT and can report on

related developments there. The CBT is planning another meeting with regional Foundations/Funds in February, on the 1st, the 16th or the 19th. We are again invited to send a representative to attend. Perhaps more than one. It seems that Monday February 1, will be most available for our attendance. **Honora** will confirm if Rick could attend on that date as our alternate, and she will reply to CBT.

Status of meetings with the Community Trust fundraising group. No meeting has yet been set. **Catherine** and/or **David** will try to attend when this Kaslo group finally meets for the first time.

Bursary Applications for the Selkirk Seniors Nursing program. Each of five applicants was considered for an award by this committee-of-the-whole. The program, and each of the applicants, seemed to us to be very deserving of CFNKLS support. Health care assistants and home support services will be increasingly important to maintaining local seniors comfortably and in their own homes. The committee decided that it would be appropriate to award up to \$2,700 to the Kaslo Campus of Selkirk College to help these applicants finish this program with more manageable personal debts than would otherwise be possible. All applicants hope to stay in our area to practice their skills after graduation. We decided to make our awards primarily on the basis of apparent financial need. After a long discussion, it was **Moved:** by Honora, that we award all \$2,700 of our currently available flow-through funds to support these five applicants in this nursing program as follows: To Lori Hill, \$1,450; to Agwi Munoh, \$500; and \$250 to each of Sarah Heard, Marie-Anne Bernier, and Laurie Hartland.
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A CAGP update. The Vancouver Foundation is offering bursaries for the members of Community Foundation Boards who wish to attend the forthcoming Annual National Conference of the CAGP, to be held in Banff April 6 to 8th, 2016. The Bursaries would cover up to \$800 for travel costs and another \$800 for conference registration. Honora asked members of our Board to consider attending the Conference. **Rick** and **Catherine** and **David** have expressed potential interest in attending. The deadline for applying for a bursary is on January 25th, and that can be done online at <http://www.cagpconference.org/bursaries/>

NEW BUSINESS & FORWARD PLANNING:

Timing of the AGM and spring Grant decisions. It was decided to try to book the Langham for Friday June 3rd to hold our next AGM (**David** to confirm). We will set a deadline of April 28th for all 2016 grant applications. Information on the amount we will receive for granting is expected in late February. In passing, we noted that Kaslo needs an effective “Community Calendar” so that scheduling conflicts can be minimized when setting dates for events like or CFNKLS AGM.

Next Board Meeting Scheduled. We will meet next on Wednesday February 17th, at 5:00 p.m., hopefully at the Chamber of Commerce headquarters. **Paul** will confirm availability for us.

The meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Barney Gilmore
CFNKLS Secretary.

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North Kootenay Lake*