



**Southeast Vancouver Seniors Arts
And Cultural Centre Society
S-53479**

Meeting # 64

Champlain Heights Community Centre

Thursday April 24, 2014 at 10:30AM

www.SVSACS.org – 604-325-0163

Our Goal: a Dedicated Seniors Centre

Minutes

Present: Lorna Gibbs, George Grant, Barbara and Bert Massiah, Eddie So, Donna Davies, Manfred Hagen, Gurdial Kang, Philip Mah, Tom Chin, Gail McKay, Des Burke, Margaret Homonnay, Nelson Didulo, Ramesh Kalia, Mohinder Sidhu, Lucette Moody, Marilyn Guimond, Pat Deibert, Pietro Cassano .

1. Call to Order – 10:00 am Lorna Gibbs in the chair
2. Approval of Agenda – moved by Gurdial Kang, 2nd by Bert Massiah, carried.
3. Minutes of Meeting 63 – No issues
4. Approval of Minutes of Meeting 63 – moved by Nelson Didulo, 2nd by Philip Mah, carried.
5. Reports - President – Spoke to Malcolm Bromley...still working with Federal Government to finalize agreement with respect to federal funds. Planning and construction cannot proceed until that is complete. On April 23 at Killarney CC, Vancouver-Fraserview MLA, the Hon. Suzanne Anton, announced a further Provincial contribution to \$1.2 million, raising the Provincial contribution to \$2.5 million. Nearly 100 people, many of them seniors, attended the event. Councillor Louie, who was present at the announcement, affirmed his commitment to keep the city's additional contribution of \$1.2 million, announced in February, available so as to build the finest possible Seniors Centre. Funds now committed total \$8.7 million.
Our AGM is June 19. See note below.
6. Presentation by Gail Harmer of COSCO on *Advance Care Planning*. For the complete presentation please see the attached .PDF file.

Synopsis: To ensure that your wishes are carried out and that you have someone to speak on your behalf should you fall ill or become incapacitated one should have two documents:

1. A **Representation Agreement** - indicates who you want to speak for you when you are not capable of speaking for yourself. It is a legal document that sets out the kinds of decisions the representative may make on your behalf.
2. An **Advance Care Plan** - provides information about the care you want to receive. It works hand in hand with a **Representation Agreement**.

Availability of Documents: No document is of any use if it cannot be produced when needed.

Your Representative should have copies of all documents: **Representation Agreement**,

Advance Care Plan, and **Advance Directive** (discussed at our March 2014 meeting)

Your family doctor and your hospital file should also have contact information for your representative

Should an adult need medical care and he or she is incapable of making a decision **and** there is no **Representation Agreement** or written statement of the adult's wishes, then the health care provider must look for a **Temporary Substitute Decision Maker** (TSDM). See attached .PDF file for additional information with respect to TSDM.

Your **Representation Agreement** and **Power of Attorney** (discussed at our March 2014 meeting) should be registered with NIDUS.

Nidus Personal Planning Resource Centre and Registry

- Nidus is the Latin term for rest: A symbol of safety, support and self-development.
- Info@nidus.ca www.nidus.ca
- Telephone: 604-408-7414
- Toll free: 1-877-267-5552
- Fax: 604-801-5506

BC Health Authorities have developed a document called **My Voice: An Advanced Care Plan**
[MyVoice-Advance Care Planning Guide](#)

An **Advance Care Plan** is most useful as a discussion tool for you and your representative but you cannot use this plan to appoint a proxy or to give legally binding 'stand- alone' instructions.

7. New Business – None.

8. Adjournment – 11:50 am, moved by Gail McKay, 2nd by Pat Deibert, carried.

Lorna reminded members print the Agenda and Minutes and bring them to our meetings.

Next Luncheon/Movie: May 7th 2014: *Midnight in Paris*. Luncheon reservations may be made April 23rd thru April 30th - call CHCC 604-718-6575 to reserve your seat.

Next meeting: May 22nd 2014 10:30 am at CHCC. Topic: *Wills and Estate Planning* – (Companion to **Personal Planning and Advance Directives**). The workshop reviews the legal rules for preparing wills in B.C. and explains the duties if executor, legal terminology and pitfalls to avoid.

Spring 2014 meeting/Luncheon/Movie schedule

June 4th - *Family Weekend* – 2013 – 96 Minutes - Comedy

June 19th - **Annual General Meeting** - Killarney CC, 7:00 pm Room 202.

Refreshments will be available following the AGM. **Please note, that while all are welcome, only members holding 2014 memberships taken out by May 20 are eligible to vote.**

SVSACS PARTNERS are all working together to get a real Seniors Centre for you!

