



50+ Friendship Games

50+ Friendship Games Committee Meeting Minutes

Saint John Seniors' Resource Centre

Friday, May 10, 2024, at 1:30PM



Present:

CAROL FIELD
CECILE DESCHAMPS
ROBERT TAYLOR
LINDA NICKERSON
KIRSTIN DUFFLEY
MEGAN LUCAS
ERIC GARNETT
RAY DOIRON
JOHN TORRIE
BILL MCDONALD
SUE HALL
JOAN ANDERSON
ANNETTE BRINDA
JOANNE RIVERS

Chairperson, Seniors' Resource Centre
Co-Chairperson
Treasurer
Executive Director, Seniors' Resource Centre
Secretary, Rothesay Representative
Quispamsis Representative
Nick Nicolle Community Center
Pickleball Coordinator
Chess Coordinator

Artist (Calendar)

Regrets:

LYNNE KAINE
RICK ADAMS
CAROL TRAVIS
DON LEBLANC
GERRI MARTIN
BRENDA MCKINNEY
JAN MCGILL
NANCY LITTLEWOOD
JEAN STEVENS
DAVID O'TOOLE
LYDIA O'HARA
MONIQUE LOSIER

Saint John Representative
Grand Bay-Westfield Representative
St. George Representative
Golf Coordinator
Pool Coordinator
Bowling Coordinator
Quispamsis Resident
Quispamsis Resident
Legion Coordinator
Bridge & Hearts Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:38PM by Chairperson C. Field.

2. APPLICATIONS

The committee discussed the issue with Auction 45's where participants want to participate in both the afternoon and evening time slot. The reason there was an afternoon and evening time slot was because of the high demand for the game.

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After previous games, it was requested to have an afternoon and evening time slot. Otherwise, all other games that have multiple opportunities are held at the same date and time, but in different locations. There are participants who are upset that they are being told they have to choose between the afternoon or evening time slot, when it does not indicate that on the form. L. Nickerson has called the participants to determine which time slot they would prefer. Although the location can hold many people (approximately 100 at the Assumption Centre), it may be difficult for the coordinator if everyone attends both time slots. After the last games, it was decided to only allow people to participate in once per game type, so that it was not possible to win multiple times for the same game. The committee discussed various solutions to this issue.

M. Lucas noted that if it is not required to have the games that are offered multiple times at the same time and day, then the games scheduled in the Kennebecasis Valley will be scheduled based on the volunteer coordinator availability and location availability instead of being scheduled the same time as the Saint John games.

MOTION that individuals can select all games they wish to participate in on the application form.

CARRIED.

L. Nickerson will attempt to call back all Auction 45's participants to advise them that they will be allowed to play in both slots this year. The committee discussed changing this for next year. L. Nickerson has received 50 applications so far for the 2024 Games. The qplex has forms for people to pick up and are accepting the completed applications. The Rothesay HIVE has forms for people to be able to pick up, but is not accepting the completed applications.

J. Anderson will attempt to get a hold of the Auction 45's coordinator, and if needed, will be a games coordinator for the other Auction 45's time slot.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING NOTES

3.1. Meeting Notes from May 2, 2024

MOVED by E. Garnett and seconded by J. Anderson that the meeting notes be approved with discussed changes.

CARRIED.

M. Lucas inquired about the invoices for the calendar advertisement. She reminded the committee that she would need an invoice in order for the payment of the advertisement to be provided. R. Taylor will create an invoice for M. Lucas. The designs for the advertisements are needed as soon as possible.

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M. Lucas inquired about the invitations to the Mayors. L. Nickerson advised that she has sent them to all the Mayors, she will confirm what email it was sent to for Quispamsis.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT

R. Taylor noted that the current total in the bank is \$15,689.00.

5. SHUFFLEBOARD

Not on the application form checklist, but is in the calendar schedule.

6. OPENING

C. Field hired the Piper for the parade and Opening Luncheon for \$400. C. Field went over again the itinerary for the Parade/Flag Raising/Luncheon. At the back of the Hilton everyone who is walking in the parade will meet and get their lanyard at 10:30am. Then everyone will parade to City Hall for 11:00am. All Mayors are invited to be at City Hall to speak. The media have been advised of the event and will be at City Hall. The Police Department has been notified. The flag has been ordered. City of Saint John will provide pins. 200 handheld Canada Flags from MP Wayne Long. 11:30am the bus will leave to the Hope Centre to arrive at 12:00pm. The Piper will pipe everyone into the Centre. If it is a nice day, people can wait outside for the Piper to pipe them in, if it is not a nice day can wait in the foyer. The bus holds around 40 people. So far, only a few people have called to ride the bus. Participants must be reminded that they need to wear their lanyards in order to be allowed to participate in the events. If they do not attend the parade, they will need to pick them up at another time. Volunteers are asked to be at the boardwalk for 10:00am.

Dave Hansen will be playing at the Opening. When asked about his fee, C. Field noted that she did not know how much his fee is as it was arranged by L. Kaine, she mentioned that the fee would be covered by the City of Saint John. Piping will continue until everyone is in their seats. C. Field will need the final number of attendees for the Opening Luncheon for the tables, chairs, and food. Parking is available uptown on the street for free as it is a Saturday.

The lunch is being catered by Child's and will be two soups and multiple kinds of sandwiches. If any committee members wishes to attend, they will need to pay the \$40 registration fee. C. Field explained that the catering is connected with the Hope Centre, the only additional charges is the tablecloths at \$8 per table. Quote for the Opening is \$2,100, but this depends on the number of attendees.

7. CLOSING

C. Field reminded the committee that the itinerary is changing for the Closing to have the music at the end of the night so that there is more time for dancing. The

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supper will be at 5pm, after that there will be the awards ceremony, and then dancing with music entertainment with Steve Lyons and Anne Marie.

8. FUND RAISING REPORT

E. Garnett reported that he is still in talks with Subway. C. Field will advise E. Garnett what the email from Tim Horton's says that was received by the Seniors' Resource Centre. A candle was donated from a local business at the City Market as a door prize. Back Street Records donated a \$25 gift card for a door prize. Home Port Inn donated two one-night stay vouchers for two separate door prizes. Harbor Beacon will be making a monetary donation by May 17. A list of all the donations and sponsors will be needed for the Calendar.

B. McDonald brought in two \$25 gift cards from Shoppers (West), \$50 gift card from Lawton's (West), and an individual donation of \$40. No Frills will be providing a basket. On the Vine might be providing a steak tray. Sobeys (West) is interested. Sobeys (East) will be donating a cake. Ice cream will be from Costco. C. Field is in talks with Cedarcrest Gardens for a flower arrangement. S. Hall was able to get a phone number for Christian at Moosehead and gave the phone number to J. Torrie. At the Opening and Closing ceremonies there will be a 50/50 draw, Cecile, Joan, and Sue offered to help with the 50/50.

9. CALENDAR

C. Field introduced Joanne Rivers, and artist, who will be helping to make the calendars. Joanne stressed that she needs action shots of people during the games for the calendar (15 photos, one for each month). It was decided that the November month that E. Garnett purchased, the photo will be of his poem. Print Three requires two weeks to get the calendars printed and assembled. The calendars are need by June 8th to handout at the Closing. May 20th is the deadline for when the calendar needs to be completed. M. Lucas will send photos to Joanne. K. Duffley reminded the committee that there are photos on the 50+ Friendship Games Facebook page.

10. GAMES COORDINATORS

The meeting with the Games Coordinators has now been confirmed for Monday, May 28th at the Nick Nicolle Community Centre from 1:00PM-3:00PM. At this meeting, Coordinators will be provided with all the information that they need to run their games. Coordinators that wish to participate in the Games will need to complete an application form and pay the \$40.

11. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 15, at 1:30PM** at the Saint John Seniors' Resource Centre.

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12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at **3:01PM**.

CAROL FIELD
CHAIRPERSON

KIRSTIN DUFFLEY
RECORDING SECRETARY