

Halifax Community Investment Fund Society

7 November 2016

Monthly Meeting Minutes

George Dixon Centre

Present: Bryan Darrell (Treasurer), Melinda Daye, Linda Mantley, Lindell Smith, and Craig Walkington (Chair).

Regrets: Amy Hunt (Secretary).

Absent: Carl Gannon (Vice-Chair).

Guests: Delaine Tiniakos-Doran and Danielle Autran.

1. **Call to Order:** 5:39pm

2. **Approval of Agenda:** Moved / Seconded as amended by Linda / Lindell.
CARRIED.

3. **Approval of Meeting Notes from 3 October 2016:** Moved / Seconded by Linda / Bryan. CARRIED.

4. **Presentation of Proposed HCIF Logo:** Delaine Tiniakos-Doran and Danielle Autran presented an update on the proposed HCIF Logo. They started by giving a summary of their discovery process that was conducted with Amy, Bryan, and Craig. Following that summary, they gave an overview of the HCIF defined catchment area. They then presented their proposal. Overall, the Board members who were present were pleased with the proposal. One suggestion was to tie the five different colour schemes to the five pillars that are the focus of the HCIF Society (Youth, Seniors, Education, Community, and Neighbourhood). Delaine and Danielle said they would take that recommendation and work with it. Bryan requested that the discovery questions be shared with the other Board members. Delaine also suggested that a blog could be created on how the logo was developed and then posted on the HCIF website. Craig asked if the HCIF could receive some assistance in writing that blog. Danielle will draw-up a proposal to roll-out the new logo. The HCIF Board members thanked Delaine and Danielle for their work.

5. **Resignation of HCIF Board Member:** Following his election as District 8 Councillor, Lindell Smith announced that he would be resigning from the HCIF Board. The HCIF Board members thanked Lindell for his work on the board and wished him the best during his time as Councillor. Lindell indicated he would still be available to advise the HCIF Board.

6. Financial Update: Bryan tabled the HCIF financial status for end of **October 2016** as follows:

Investment Portfolio at ScotiaMcLeod:	\$1,367,313
Bank Account at Scotiabank:	\$ 2,884

The estimated annual income from the investment portfolio is \$47,026.

Bryan noted that he had been contacted by ScotiaMcLeod about using the funds from the return of the Community Carrot loan that are currently invested in a Money Market Fund to purchase investments that could earn more income. After discussion, it was decided to wait until ScotiaMcLeod gives its annual performance review on the portfolio, which is expected to be in February 2017.

7. Attendance at the HRM Volunteer Conference: It was noted that registration is still open for this conference on Friday, November 25 & Saturday, November 26, 2016, Ramada Plaza Park Place, Dartmouth, 240 Brownlow Ave, Dartmouth. Attendance fees will be covered by the HCIF.

8. Seniors Project Under the Canada 150 Program: Bryan noted that he was aware of a program to receive up to \$20,000 in grants to support programs for seniors. He recommended that the HCIF Board apply. He will write the grant application to fund a financial planning program for seniors.

9. The Bridging Bus Report: Melinda asked if the HCIF had received a report from The Bridging Bus project that the HCIF helped to fund. Craig said he would send a request for an update.

10. Next Meeting and HCIF Social:

- a. HCIF Board Meeting – The next meeting will take place at 5:30pm on Monday, 5 December 2016 at the George Dixon Centre.
- b. HCIF Christmas Social – The Social will be held at 6:00pm on Monday, 12 December 2016 at Craig's house. The format will be pot-luck and beverages will be supplied by the HCIF. Former members of the HCIF will be invited (Paul, Michelle and Lindell). Bryan will coordinate what food people will bring to the social.

10. Meeting Adjournment: 6:34pm Moved by: Bryan.