

# SLNA DELEGATES MEETING

April 27, 2005

OLD YORK TOWER, 85 The Esplanade

## Executive Members in Attendance:

President: Cam Miller, King George Square V  
V.P. Internal: Ronny Yaron, Woodsworth Co-op V  
V.P. External: Robert Prowse, Space Condos V  
At Large: Joan Campbell, Market Square V  
At Large: Richard Haldane, Crombie Park V  
At Large: Connie Yang, OWN Co-op V  
Secretary: Samantha Hewit, Space Condos V

## In Attendance:

Leo Agosto, Marketview Co-op V  
Judith Anderson, Marketview Co-op V  
Cherril Baker, David B Archer V  
Alice Briesmaster, New Times Sq 2 V  
Frank Burns, Longboat Residents Association V  
Elisabeth Ecker, St Lawrence on the Park V  
Georgette Harris, Saint James Condominiums V  
Robin Hart, Crombie Park V  
Stig Harvor, La Place St. Laurent V  
Aurie Hensman, 160 Frederick St V

Ewa Jarmicka, Harmony Co-op Homes V  
Frank McLean, Twenty Five The Esplanade V  
George Millbrandt, Longboat Residents Assoc. V  
Ron Monteith, Woodsworth Co-op V  
Dawn Murray, Windmill Line Co-op V

Anna Lee Orr, David B. Archer Co-op V  
Sherri Russell, F.A.N. V  
Karen Serwonka, David B Archer V  
Alan Seymour, Longboat Residents Assoc. V  
Nancy Sheppard, St Lawrence on the Park, Assoc. V  
Kirk Vavra, Space Condos V

Arlyss Ponchuk, Recording Secretary

Larysa Sikorska-Baloi 15 Scadding Ave  
Lumumba Wolde-Gabriel, George Smitherman's Office  
James Honeyman, SLCRC N  
Sgt Glen Wilkinson, 51 Division G  
Erin Harris, St Lawrence Resident, G  
Dan O'Leary, 15 Scadding Ave G  
Randy Bath, 15 Scadding Ave G

## With Regrets:

Michelle Buckley, Pam McConnell's Office G  
Pam Gierman, Windmill Line Co-op V  
Paul Smith, St Lawrence on the Park V

## ACRONYMS:

BIA: Business Improvement Area  
CMHC: Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation  
CPLC: Community Police Liaison Committee  
HRSDC: Human Resources and Skills Development  
Canada  
OMB: Ontario Municipal Board  
PSB: Police Services Board  
SLCRA: St. Lawrence Condo Ratepayers Association  
SLCRC: St. Lawrence Community Recreation Centre  
TIACAC: Toronto Island Airport Community  
Advisory Committee  
TCHC: Toronto Community Housing Corporation  
TWRC: Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Committee

V = Voting Delegate, N = Non-Voting Delegate, G =  
Guest

## **1. Welcome & Round Robin**

Cam Miller called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. He introduced himself as President and he chaired the meeting. A round table of introductions was conducted, and an attendance sheet was passed around.

## **1. Approval of the Agenda**

Cam Miller made the following amendments:

- “City Update” was cancelled, as Michelle Buckley was not present.
- “Portland’s Energy Centre – Paul Young” was added, replacing “City Update.”
- Under “Other Business,” add “Children’s Garden – Dan O’Leary”
- Under “Other Business” add ‘Wrap-Up on Clean-Up – Alice Briesmaster”

Delegate Joan Campbell made the following amendment:

- Under “Other Business,” add “Newsletter – Joan Campbell”

*Motion: to approve the Agenda as amended.*

*Moved by: Richard Haldane*

*Seconded by: Cherril Baker*

**CARRIED**

## **3. Approval of March 30, 2005 Minutes**

Amendments:

Page 1: list Georgette Harris under attendance as having given regrets.

Page 5, 8b) Motion to Seek Approval for Funding for SLCRDC: “. . . Richard Haldane clarified that the two teams are boys’ teams, ages 10-14 **13 and under** and 14-16”, and delete the final sentence in the same paragraph: “Richard responded . . . more.”

*Motion: to approve the March 30, 2004 minutes as amended.*

*Moved by: Aurie Hensman*

*Seconded by: Richard Haldane*

**CARRIED**

## **4. Business Arising from the Minutes**

Stig Harvour asked whether Shawn Bassin from George Smitherman’s office gave Cam Miller responses to Delegates’ questions about the OMB. Cam responded that George Smitherman has confirmed attending the SLNA meeting in June, and that members can ask the MPP their questions directly at that time. The Executive has appointed Robert Prowse to generate an agenda for the event.

## **5. Update from Police 51 Division**

Cam Miller welcomed Police Sergeant Glen Wilkinson of the Community Response Team headed by Staff Sergeant Tom Kelly.

New Chief: Glen announced that the new Chief, Bill Blair, was at one time an MPC in 51 Division, a Unit Commander in 51 Division, and a Supervisor in 52 Division, and that this area is “near and dear to his heart.” The Chief will be holding Town Hall meetings to which the community is invited.

Crime Statistics for the St. Lawrence neighbourhood spiked recently for theft from autos. An individual was arrested last month and since then thefts have gone from 7-8 per month down to 1. Compared to the rest of 51 Division, crime statistics are very low in the St. Lawrence neighbourhood. To reduce crime further, Glen recommended that any time you park your vehicle, take your laptop, camera, purse etc. with you or lock them in your trunk.

Bicycle Officers: Daniel O’Leary reminded Glen that last month Glen reported that officers no longer in the drug squad would now patrol the streets. Glen responded that 6 more officers have been added to the bicycle patrol, that they travel in a group, and that instead of seeing 2-3 officers, we will now see 6-7, targeting different areas: North Regent Park, South Regent Park, St. Jamestown, or St. Lawrence Neighbourhood.

George Street Incident: Glen advised Elisabeth Ecker that the investigation regarding George Street is still ongoing.

Bicycle Theft: Sherri Russell announced that her bicycle was stolen last week. Glen noted that bicycle thefts do occur in the neighbourhood and gave Delegates a few tips on bicycle security and on reporting stolen bicycles.

Cam Miller thanked Sergeant Glen Wilkinson for his report, and Glen then left the meeting.

## **6. Portland’s Energy Centre — Paul Young**

Cam Miller introduced Paul Young, Health Promoter and Community Planner at South Riverdale Community Health Centre, to talk about the proposed Portlands Energy Centre.

A large gas-fired power station has been proposed for the Portlands area, to be located on Unwin Avenue midway between Cherry Beach and the Leslie Spit. It is a combined public and private project, owned by Transcanada Energy (Canada’s largest pipeline company, a gas supplier) and the Ontario Provincial Government. Although initially it seemed like a viable project, the following concerns have come to light.

- 1) The plant is intended to provide a transitional phase toward cleaner power generation during the shutting down of coal-powered plants, but the plant will itself produce significant amounts of pollution, nitrogen oxide in particular. It will operate during peak seasons only, particularly when smog is already at its greatest. It will cause air pollution to surrounding waterfront establishments.
- 2) The water in Cherry Beach is one of the cleanest in the city right now. To cool the plant they will take water out of the Ship Channel (which runs the length of the Portlands), chlorinate the water for usage, then dechlorinate it and send it out into Cherry Beach, which will raise the water temperature by 5 degrees.
- 3) Gas-fired plants are more expensive to operate than coal-fired plants, so the proposed plant will operate only during peak seasons when people are willing to pay more for energy. It will likely not be phased out because the more environmentally friendly alternatives, solar- and wind-powered generators, are yet more expensive.
- 4) As a co-generator, the plant is to provide additional steam power to energy-conscious industries, but because it operates only during peak season, it cannot provide a continuous supply. Solar panels were also considered as a side source of energy. But proportionately, these alternative energies will account for very little of the plant’s output.
- 5) It will take up a tremendous block of space along the waterfront, and will not contribute to the revitalization, the greening and cleaning, of the waterfront.

- 6) The plant is a private/public partnership, so decisions will be at least partly based on profit motives.
- 7) Fifty percent of pollution caused by coal-powered plants comes from the Ohio Valley and all the coal-powered plants in the U.S., not from within Canada. Paul recommended that Delegates do a Google search for the report “Curbing Transboundary Air Pollution” by David McEwin. It is questionable whether closing down coal-powered plants in Ontario will significantly reduce pollution.
- 8) Toronto’s summer blackout was not caused by a power shortage in Toronto. Ontario and New York State share the power grid.
- 9) The same companies that have had a negative effect on California’s power industry are now seeking contracts to build power stations in Ontario.
- 10) Councillors, Paul Fletcher, the Mayor’s Office, and the Board of Health Centre are all asking for an environmental report. The City conducted an environmental screening, but an environmental assessment is not deemed necessary under new government rules.

Paul Young added that he attended a Works Committee meeting today and deputed against the plant. The City is against the plant if it is not a co-generator plant. The community now contends that the plant is overall a bad idea, or that conditions need to be placed on it. The plant has been approved by the Ministry of Environment and the Ministry of Energy, and is now going to the Energy Review Board. They are receiving submissions from proponents to produce power. So far other proposed plants, but not the Portlands Energy Centre, have been mentioned in recent announcements. Paul concluded by saying, “It’s in Dalton McGuinty’s hands and the Ontario Energy Review Board. It wouldn’t hurt to let the City know you are concerned and want more information about it. The more we dig the worse this looks and we need more answers.” At Cam’s request, Paul agreed to email his deputation to the SLNA for distribution to members.

Joan Campbell recommended to Paul that he contact the Waterfront Action Group, as this project directly impacts on plans to develop the waterfront. Paul responded that the Portlands are a thousand acres of land. It is a challenge to be effective on a number of different fronts regarding new developments, and not get all of one’s energy sucked entirely into one issue. He noted that Dennis Findlay has been hard at work on the issue of the power station.

Cam Miller thanked Paul Young for his report. Paul left a copies of the following: a letter written by his Board as a template for a letter that the SLNA might write objecting to the power station, a flyer announcing a bicycle tour of the Portlands which he will conduct on June 4, and the report “Curbing Transboundary Air Pollution.”

## **7. Provincial Update from George Smitherman’s Office (MPP) — Lumumba Wolde-Gabriel**

Cam Miller welcomed Lumumba Wolde-Gabriel, present in lieu of Wendy Ground, and of Shawn Bassin who is away due to a family matter. Lumumba expressed regrets for the passing of Rose Wilner. He addressed questions asked at the SLNA Delegates Meeting on March 30.

- 1) Shawn had agreed to do a written report for meetings. Shawn and the office are looking into how to accommodate that request.
- 2) Regarding community input into decisions to change how the OMB operates, the Ministry is inviting written submissions from community groups. The Act will likely be changed so that municipalities, not the OMB, will have decision-making powers.
- 3) The Heritage Act passed on April 19. Lumumba brought copies of the legislation information.
- 4) Wendy Ground continues to discuss the matter of the Methadone Clinic with the City. Aurie Hensman interjected that this has been ongoing for months with no resolution. Lumumba assured her that the matter is being taken seriously.

Elisabeth Ecker asked George Smitherman's office to look into whether the current value assessment of properties for tax assessment will continue, as it is "an awful waste of money every couple of years."

Lumumba reminded Delegates that George Smitherman's office is located at 120 Carleton Street, unit 413, (416) 972-7683, at the corner of Jarvis and Carleton. Connie Yang asked Lumumba to ensure that signage is removed from their previous location.

Cam Miller thanked Lumumba Wolde-Gabriel for his report, but noted that his presentation was not up to the standards to which the SLNA was accustomed from George Smitherman's office.

## **8. Federal Update from Bill Graham's Office (MP) – Jennifer Arp**

Jennifer Arp was not present.

## **9. President's Report — Cam Miller**

### **a) Toronto 2015**

Frank McLean reminded members that two meetings ago, at Cam Miller's request for volunteer assistance, he offered to participate in the Community Air project. Tonight he offered a report. On April 11, Olivia Chow held a meeting on the waterfront regarding a surprising release of a feasibility study for Expo 2015, Phase 1 of the process for developing a bid. The study was deliberately conducted without public input. On the morning of April 12, Frank wrote a letter questioning the process, saying that the community must be involved, and that outcomes must have the community's interest included.

Frank described the Waterfront Action Group as a spinoff of Community Air, and stated that they organized a letter writing campaign. Council met Monday night, debated Wednesday and Thursday, and passed 8 motions, with a remarkably favourable outcome. Frank will report details to members by email. The bottom line is that the feasibility study, which talked about affecting environmentally sensitive areas and rezoning land as mixed use instead of parkland got blunted or turned down. In its place a special charette, as well as other initiatives, were organized at the suggestion of the Mayor. Frank concluded that this is an example of community groups making a huge difference.

Frank described Community Air as being anti-airport but also as being about the waterfront. Its focus is on a clean community. An organizational meeting for waterfront action was held last night, with an opportunity to explain the principles of waterfront action, principles already adopted by major government bodies, and an opportunity for people to express concerns and hopes and ideas for future direction. Frank needed to leave tonight's meeting at this point, so he asked Stig Harvour to summarize and answer questions. Stig described the meeting as a good beginning. A number of working groups were established. A website might be developed. The reason for getting it together at this time was the surprise bid to get a World Fair on the Portlands and waterfront with no warning and no public consultation.

Delegates discussed the lack of forewarning. To proceed with Expo 2015 the second stage of the study has to be released, and between May-October the City would need to prepare a formal bid.

### **b) Toronto Island Airport**

Cam Miller read from a Community Air press release due out tomorrow about the Toronto Island Airport: "decommissioning the airport needs to start now and cannot wait for finalization of the sitting plan for Toronto's 2015 world fair . . . Airport revenue declined every quarter in 2004, from a high of \$576,0000 in the first quarter, to \$449,000 in the second quarter, \$333,000 for the third quarter, \$55,000 in the fourth quarter. . . . Virtually all of this astounding deficit is financed through various taxpayer- supplied funds."

## 10. Nancy Sheppard

### a) Proposal for By-Law Changes

Nancy presented a proposal for By-law Changes. She apologized for not being able to attend the AGM in March, and referred to the question raised at that time of how we charge annual fees. Up to now, at each March AGM, fees are set for the current year, so we are already partly into the year for which members pay annual dues. A motion was made at last month's AGM to change the by-laws to allow us to set membership fees in November, prior to the next membership year (i.e. the next calendar/fiscal year). After the AGM, the Executive charged Nancy with the responsibility of putting together the specific by-law changes. In drawing up the revised by-laws, Nancy also incorporated a couple of other changes proposed in the last few years.

She presented revised by-laws with three main changes. She reminded members that the proposed revisions would be incorporated into the by-laws only after passing a vote at two meetings, tonight's and the next Delegates' Meeting in May.

Nancy read out the changes. The three main changes are:

- 1) Four classes of membership have been changed to two.
- 2) Under by-law #6a), removed 3) "shall fix the membership due rates for the coming year."
- 3) President's length of term was altered to enable a person to serve two consecutive two-year terms, rather than only one two year term.

Alice Briesmaster noted that in the revised version, only organizations can send members, and that individuals cannot become members. Nancy noted that individuals are nonetheless welcome to attend meetings.

Members amended the phrasing of one item to add the phrase "for the coming fiscal year." Under 5a), within 3): "Membership dues to the SLNA shall be assessed on the basis of the number of member housing units in each housing group. The per-unit membership rate **for the coming fiscal year** and the deadline for payment of membership dues . . ."

The proposed changes to the by-laws are appended to these minutes as Appendix A, and have been updated to include the one amendment.

***Motion: to approve the proposed changes to the by-laws as amended.***

***Moved by: Joan Campbell***

***Seconded by: Frank Burns***

***CARRIED***

Nancy will email to members a copy of the full by-laws plus a copy of the amended proposed changes.

## 11. VP-Internal — Ronny Yaron

### a) Gala/Festival Update

Ronny Yaron reported that the Festival will be celebrated as a 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary event. David Crombie has agreed to be patron. The Festival will celebrate all aspects of the community (heritage, business, and arts) and will involve many various organizations in the neighbourhood. People are welcome to join the organizational committee as volunteers to help organize the event. Organizers will be seeking sponsorship in the next few months, to raise funds for community projects. Last year \$12,000 was raised from the Gala

and \$2,500 from the Festival. This year organizers hope to net \$20,000 after expenses. The Festival's slogan will be "celebrating our past and greeting our future."

The Gala will be held Friday night, September 16, at St. Lawrence Town Hall and the Street Festival will take place on Saturday, September 17. The proposed event planner did not work out, but a new event planner has been hired, Nancy Rickford. She does not live in the neighbourhood. The date of the next committee meeting will be announced soon.

Georgette reminded members that last year, members raised objections to funding only youth projects after the sponsorship package went out. Nancy Sheppard responded that this year's sponsorship package will just refer to community projects. This way the SLNA can decide later how to allocate the funds. Delegates will approve all expenditures.

## **12. VP-External – Robert Prowse**

### **a) Preparation for George Smitherman's Visit**

Robert Prowse reported that an agenda will be prepared for the Delegates Meeting of June 29 to ensure order during George Smitherman's visit. People can submit questions or topics for discussion ahead of time to [rprowse@rogers.com](mailto:rprowse@rogers.com) or to the SLNA's office for forwarding to him. He recommended that questions focus on George Smitherman's responsibilities as our MPP rather than his responsibilities as Cabinet Minister, to ensure that he addresses issues that affect our community. Cam Miller noted that the agenda would be negotiated with George Smitherman as a courtesy. Cam proposed further such themed meetings for the SLNA, this being the first.

Leo Agosto suggested adding to the agenda for the next Delegates Meeting in May a discussion of possible questions. Richard Haldane suggested inviting community members in general to submit questions, perhaps via the SLNA's website. Georgette Harris recommended putting a notice in the June issue of the *Community Bulletin*. Aurie Hensman suggested a bigger venue; Cherril Baker proposed St. Lawrence Hall.

### **b) Report on 40 The Esplanade**

Robert Prowse reported that he and Cam Miller attended an OMB prehearing recently along with various other local groups. He was pleased to report that all the points Cam made at the prehearing will be raised at the hearing. A lawyer gave advice to Robert and Cam after the OMB prehearing on how to conduct themselves during the hearing. Robert will forward this information to the Corporate Secretary, Samantha Hewit, for her to forward to Delegates.

Robert told members that we have not done a very good job even amongst ourselves of selling our community. We don't need to look like Bay Street. We have to think ourselves as Old Town, as York. Old buildings are scattered throughout the neighbourhood. We will fight all those new developments consecutively. We need to tell people it's not that we don't like height. Those buildings will affect surrounding property values. We ask for measured slow introduction of buildings that are appropriate to the neighbourhood.

Notice of a recent public meeting regarding the Goodwill site was very hush. Notices went to Presidents of Boards of condominiums. Robert told members, if you are interested in these issues, give your email address to Michelle Buckley at the City. Due to the new Privacy Law, the onus is on you to ensure that she has your address. If you are no longer receiving bulletins, be proactive and give her your email address again. You can email Michelle at [mbuckle@toronto.ca](mailto:mbuckle@toronto.ca), or phone her at (416) 338-5157.

### c) Urban Design Guidelines

Frank Burns reported on the St. Lawrence area urban design guidelines. The group is next meeting at St. Lawrence Market on Friday (committee members only). At that meeting a draft version will be distributed. Following that, the planners are organizing a meeting.

When Toronto was amalgamated, the Part II plans for St. Lawrence neighbourhood went missing. Urban design guidelines passed by City Council are a substitute. Once the guidelines are drafted, we will need to approach Councillors to support them.

Elisabeth Ecker asked whether the media would be interested in the story of the lost Part II plans. Frank responded that the media has published only passing comments about the Old Town. But, he added, there are more people who know what's going on here than you'd think. Yes, we're grass roots, but our light shines beyond our borders. You may be right. There may be people paying attention.

## 13. New Business

### a) Newsletter – Joan Campbell

Joan Campbell asked Delegates from all member residences to attend the May meeting, because copies of the SLNA Newsletter will be available for pick-up by Delegates for distribution to buildings. The newsletter comes out only three times per year. It is very important that every resident in your building have access to it. Joan passed around a list for members to verify or add their email address, so that the SLNA's database could be updated. For people who do not have email and cannot access the SLNA's website, the printed newsletter is essential as outreach from the SLNA, to encourage people to feel part of the neighbourhood.

### b) Children's Garden – Daniel O'Leary

Daniel O'Leary reported that a children's play garden is being developed in Princess Street Park, a tiny park behind 19 Scadding, next to the Co-operative Daycare Centre. Supporters have included the daycare centre, 15 Scadding (part of the Toronto Community Housing Corporation), the SLCRC (which supports it with after school and summer camp programs), Councillor Pam McConnell's office, and the Parks people. The garden will include raised beds and garden areas, a butterfly garden, an herb bed, and organic vegetables. Demonstrations will be held to engage children's minds in how to reuse and recycle. News releases will be out soon. Planting will take place some time after May 15. Organizers are looking for anyone able-bodied who can help move dirt between May 7 and 20. Contact Daniel through Tricia Clark or James Honeyman at the SLCRC. Youth volunteers are welcome.

### c) Wrap-up on Clean-up – Alice Briesmaster

Alice Briesmaster reported that Community Clean-up Day, Saturday, April 23, was a rainy, windy, and cold day, but that a lot of people came out help. Connie Yang noted that 10 seniors from York Towers and 6 people from OWN attended, and that Pam McConnell was on hand also. Alice added that attendees were divided into different areas. There was not as much garbage as Alice expected. She picked up cigarette butts for 2 hours between Sherbourne and Jarvis Streets. Others picked up larger stuff. Alice thanked everyone who participated. Delegates gave a round of applause to Alice for leading the initiative. Alice then reminded Delegates that April 28 is Pam McConnell's Environment day from 4:00-8:00pm.

### d) Pam McConnell's newsletter

Cam Miller asked for a show of hands of how many people have received Pam McConnell's recent newsletter. About half of people present did not receive it.

e) Executive meeting agendas and minutes

Leo Agosto asked where Delegates could get agendas and minutes of the Executives meetings. On behalf of the Executive, Cam Miller responded that the Executive plans the delegates meetings, and that the minutes of the Exec Minutes reflected that.

**14. Adjournment**

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

The next Delegates Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 25, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.

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**Samantha Hewit, Corporate Secretary      Cam Miller, Chair**

**Minutes to the SLNA Delegates Meeting April 27, 2005**

**APPENDIX A**

**“Proposed Changes to SLNA By-laws, April 2005”**

CHANGE # 1:

*The by-law currently reads:*

**5. Membership**

There shall be four (4) classes of membership in the SLNA.

**a) Full Member Housing Groups (Voting)**

**1) Eligibility:**

- a) Full Membership in the SLNA is open to an association or board representing a housing group in the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood, provided that such an association or board represents at least twenty percent (20%) of the housing units in its housing group.
- b) Only one (1) association or board may represent its housing group as a Full Member.

**2) Delegates:**

Full Member housing groups having membership of fifty (50) housing units or less shall be entitled to be represented on the SLNA by one delegate; membership of fifty-one to one hundred (51-100) housing units shall be entitled to two (2) delegates; membership of one hundred and one (101) or more housing units shall be entitled to three (3) delegates.

**3) Membership Dues:**

Membership dues to the SLNA shall be assessed on the basis of the number of member housing units in each housing group. The per-unit membership rate and the deadline for payment of membership dues shall be determined at each annual meeting of the SLNA. Failure to meet the prescribed deadline for payment of membership dues may result in the suspension of membership rights.

**b) Community Service Agencies (Non-voting)**

**1) Eligibility:**

- a) Membership in the SLNA is open to a community service agency based in or active in the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood AND including those whose authority does not lie within the boundaries, as set out in by-law 3 above.
- b) Admission of a community service agency to Membership is at the discretion of the SLNA. In exercising its discretion the SLNA shall consider all relevant factors, which may include, but are not limited to:
  - 1) territorial scope of the agency's mandate;
  - 2) nature of the service provided;
  - 3) impact upon the neighbourhood;
  - 4) availability of service provided;
  - 5) residence of service providers;

- 6) residence of agency headquarters;
- 7) organizational structure of the agency.

c) Membership in the SLNA is extended to a community service agency whose objectives fall within those of the SLNA. The SLNA reserves the right to rescind the membership of any agency whose interests come to diverge significantly from those of the SLNA.

2) **Delegates:**

Community Service Agencies shall be entitled to be represented on the SLNA by one (1) non-voting delegate.

3) **Membership Dues:**

Membership dues for Community Service Agencies shall be determined at each annual meeting of the SLNA.

**c) Member Business Association (Non-Voting)**

1) **Eligibility:**

Membership in the SLNA is open to business associations representing businesses in the St. Lawrence Neighborhood, within the boundaries as set out in by-law 3 above. Admission is at the discretion of the SLNA.

2) **Delegates:**

Member Business Associations shall be entitled to be represented on the SLNA by one (1) non-voting delegate.

3) **Membership Dues:**

Membership dues for Member Business Associations shall be determined at each Annual Meeting of the SLNA.

**d) Associate Member Representations (Non-Voting)**

- 1) Individuals, groups or abutting-resident associations, within the boundaries as set out in by-law 3 above, and outside the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood boundaries, are entitled to make representations to the SLNA.

*Change to read:*

**5. Membership**

There shall be **two (2)** classes of membership in the SLNA.

**a) Full Member Housing Groups (Voting)**

1) **Eligibility:**

Full Membership in the SLNA is open to an association or board representing a housing group in the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood, provided that such an association or board represents at least twenty percent (20%) of the housing units in its housing group.

Only one (1) association or board may represent its housing group as a Full Member.

- 2) **Delegates:**  
Full Member housing groups having membership of fifty (50) housing units or less shall be entitled to be represented on the SLNA by one delegate; membership of fifty-one to one hundred (51-100) housing units shall be entitled to two (2) delegates; membership of one hundred and one (101) or more housing units shall be entitled to three (3) delegates.
- 3) **Membership Dues:**  
Membership dues to the SLNA shall be assessed on the basis of the number of member housing units in each housing group. The per-unit membership rate for the coming fiscal year and the deadline for payment of membership dues shall be determined at each November meeting of the SLNA. Failure to meet the prescribed deadline for payment of membership dues may result in the suspension of membership rights.

**b) Associate Members (Non-voting)**

- 1) **Eligibility:**  
Associate Membership in the SLNA is open to any agency, association, organization or business based in or active in the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood.  
  
Admission of an Associate Member into the SLNA is at the discretion of the SLNA Executive. In exercising its discretion, the SLNA Executive shall consider all relevant factors, which may include but are not limited to:
  - the mandate or mission of the group being consistent with or not contradictory to the mandate and mission of the SLNA;
  - the nature of the service provided.
- 2) **Delegates:**  
Associate Members shall be entitled to be represented on the SLNA by one (1) non-voting delegate.
- 3) **Membership Dues:**  
The Membership due amount for Associate Members for the coming fiscal year shall be determined at each November meeting of the SLNA.

CHANGE # 2

*The by-law currently reads:*

**6. Meetings**

- a) There shall be an annual general meeting, at which time, in addition to any other business which may be transacted, the SLNA shall:
  - 1) hold election of the Executive,
  - 2) shall receive a Treasurer's report; and appoint the auditor

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- 3) shall fix the membership dues rate for the coming year;
- 4) and shall set the quorum for voting at general meetings for the coming year.

- b) General meetings shall be held from time to time upon notice, and shall be open to the public.

*Change to read:*

## **6. Meetings**

- a) There shall be an annual general meeting (AGM), at which time, in addition to any other business which may be transacted, the SLNA shall:
  - 1) hold election of the Executive;
  - 2) receive a Treasurer's report and appoint the auditor for the current fiscal year;
  - 3) set the quorum for voting at general meetings for the coming year.
- b) General meetings shall be held from time to time upon notice, and shall be open to the public.

## CHANGE # 3

*The by-law currently reads:*

## **12. Elections**

- a) The rotational Executive elections of the SLNA shall be at the annual general meeting. To provide continuity, at each annual general meeting, half of the Executive will be elected for a two (2) year term, the remaining half to be elected the following year.
- b) Nominees must indicate either by their presence or in writing their intention to stand.
- c) The President shall not serve for more than a two (2) year term as President at a time. The President shall serve for a further period of one (1) year as past President, but having no vote at the Executive Board meetings.

*Change to read:*

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- b) Nominees must indicate either by their presence or in writing their intention to stand.
- c) The President shall not serve for more than two 2-year terms as President consecutively. The President shall serve for a further period of one year as Past President, but having no vote at the Executive Board meetings.