



**MINUTES OF THE  
DELEGATES' MEETING**  
July 30, 2014  
OWN, 115 The Esplanade

**Board of Directors in Attendance:**

President Dwight Peters - 25 The Esplanade  
Secretary: Jacquie Williams - Old York Tower  
Treasurer: Debra Corey - 230 King St. E.  
VP Internal: Maureen Walsh - 15 Scadding  
VP External: :Steve Lowden - London on the Esplanade  
Director at Large: Stephen Devine - 176 The Esplanade

**Voting Delegates in Attendance:**

Rhonda Parto - Caroline Co-op  
Jacquie Jensen - Cathedral Court  
Ruth Williams - 1 Church St.  
Catherine West - 1 Church St.  
Wally Simpson - Crombie Park  
Joan Lewis - David B. Archer Co-op  
Margaret McQuade - David B. Archer  
Lois Thomson - David B. Archer.  
Joanne Woodward- 72 Front St. E  
Andrea Vechter - Market Square  
Del Brown - Marketview Housing Co-op

**Associate Members & Guests:**

Tom Davidson - Councillor Pam McConnell;s Office  
Anna Sennikov  
Norma Daltrey  
Wendy Devine\  
Michael Schwartz - The Bulletin  
Betsy Finnie  
Emily Atherton - St. Lawrence Mkt. BIA

**Board of Directors Regrets:**

Louise Amm - OWN  
Olga Kremko - OWN  
Connie Yang - OWN  
Sherri Russell - 31 Pincess  
Keith McCallum - 255 Richmond St. E  
Gabriele Franke - 176 The Esplanade

**Regrets:**

Catherine Limbertie - 1 Church Street  
Judith Nagata - King George Square  
David Crawford - 135 St. George St. S  
Joyce Arnold - 135 St. George St. S  
John Stewart - Market Square  
Sonja Secker - Market Square  
Suzanne Kavanagh - St. Lawrence on the Park

Ulli Groppler - Ralph Thornton Centre\  
Tim Rourke  
Jonathan Hughes  
Emily Harris  
Gina Jones

**1. Registration**

**2. Opening Of Meeting**

**2.1 Opening Remarks**

Dwight Peters (President) stated that he would be chairing the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

**2.2 Approval of Agenda**

It was resolved to approve the agenda as presented. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY:** Jacquie Jensen  
**SECONDED BY:** Jacquie Williams

### **2.3 Approval of Minutes for June 25, 2014**

It was resolved to approve the Minutes of the Delegates' meeting held on June 25, 2014 as presented. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY:** Wally Simpson  
**SECONDED BY:** Maureen Walsh

### **3. Community Talk Back Session**

Dwight introduced the process for collecting group feedback on four key goals for the Association that are that were reaffirmed as part of the new Board's strategic planning retreat in May:

- Enhance the quality of life in the St. Lawrence neighbourhood
- Encourage change and development beneficial to all residents, visitors and businesses in the St. Lawrence neighbourhood
- Represent members in negotiations and communications with neighbouring associations, groups, individuals, media and the general public
- Encourage a sense of community

Three groups were formed with each being assigned a topic. Each group then reported back the highlights of their discussion as follows.

#### **Group 1: Enhance the quality of life and build a sense of community**

- Currently it's pretty good: good relations with 51 Division, low crime rate, new Market Street is amazing
- Need a gathering spot for residents, particularly seniors, to meet other people
  - Could create an SLNA Social Committee to develop and implement activities (e.g. choir)
- Need to involve neighbourhood residents more on questions of interest to the community: ask for input, hold more community forums, open up the structure
- Lack of green space continues to be a challenge
- Need to keep population down as amenities/traffic are becoming overburdened
- Traffic hotspots pose safety challenges: Church/Esplanade, Market/Esplanade, Jarvis and the Esplanade
- SLNA needs to increase profile: leaflets, blog, open house, more advertising about upcoming speakers and meetings
- Could do our part to ease climate change by creating festival or community gardens where possible
- City needs to post more signs reminding dog-owners to "poop 'n' scoop"
- As well, City needs to put out more receptacles for smokers to dispose of cigarettes

#### **Group 2: Encourage beneficial development**

Continue:

- Development Committee
- Useful streetscape

Start:

- Establish Disability Access Committee which would work with Development Committee
- Market brochure re: SLNA availability
- Create promotional items: key chains, pens
- Make greater contact with new buildings – welcome packages – and keep ongoing contact with current delegates
- Establish committee to contact new, non-member buildings
- Youth Association – get more involved, what can we offer them
- Delegates to share how they pass information on to their buildings

Communication:

- Meeting structure
- Speakers
- Summary
- For various disabilities e.g. sign language

- Work with City on St. James Park re: garbage, drinking

### **Group 3: Social Media**

- Uniting common causes as we are diverse geographically
- Advertising
- Sharing ideas and events through social media Umbrella Model:
- Speak to Councillor McConnell and other councillors i.e. notices, websites, links to others, making connections, sharing resources
- Link with CORRA (Confederation of Resident's and Ratepayer's Associations) – possibility to connect with other neighbourhood associations (create an SLNA liaison) for information exchange, minutes, strategies
- Political advocacy on variety of issues, not always the BIG issues
- Morning meetings e.g. drafting letters
- More inclusive, discursive, more discussions (e.g. breakout groups on one or more issues, delegates being more participatory/active)
- Define ourselves as an association
- Balance information transfer with group discussion
- Question assumptions e.g. process, explore issues

### **4. Board Report:**

Dwight reported that the Board had met for its monthly meeting in July.

### **5. Committee Updates:**

- **Canada Day Committee:** Dwight reported that the Canada Day festivities were a huge success this year with great participation and support from the community. In particular,
- **Events Committee:** Steve Lowden reported that the Committee had elected two co-chairs, Andrea Vechter and Dennis Glasgow. The Committee has continued to refine its processes for reviewing community events and is now “plugged in” with the Councillor’s Office. As per the delegates’ request, the group is continuing to refine the “Guidelines for Events in the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood” and will make a full report at the October delegates’ meeting.
- **Senior’s Walks:**

### **6. Community Updates**

- **Councillor’s Office:** Tom Davidson reported on a number of items:
  - the reconstruction of Lower Sherbourne (lighting, tree planting, broadening) will be taking place in the spring; accessibility is still being looked at to ensure all can freely use
  - there is a plan to get the new planter boxes/beds filled in
  - there will be a public meeting at a later date regarding the temporary North Market building on the parking lot north of Shoppers Drug Mart on Jarvis
- **Disabled Sailing Association of Toronto:** Joan Lewis reported that there will be an exciting fundraiser at Paws Way on Queens Quay on August 22 to benefit the Disabled Sailing Association which provides recreational and competitive sailing opportunities for hundreds of Torontonians. The event will feature arts & culture, silent auction, etc. For more information about the group, please see <http://www.disabledsailing.on.ca>
- **BIA:** Emily Atherton from the St. Lawrence Market Neighbourhood BIA reported on the upcoming community events sponsored by the BIA (for more information, see their website):

- Movies in the Park: The Lego Movie on Thursday, July 31 and The Philadelphia Story on Thursday, August 28
- Music in the Park: on Thursday, August 7, the St. Lawrence Market and the SLNA are sponsoring an evening of blues music with the Patrick Tevlin Blues Band; there'll be a pig roast from 5 – 7 p.m. and free dance lessons at 6:30 p.m.
- Bard in Berczy: an abbreviated version of Shakespeare's "Comedy of Errors" will be performed in Berczy Park every Thursday, Friday and Saturday afternoon from 1-2 and Friday and Saturday evenings from 7:30-8:30 between August 1 and 16
- Bob Kemp Day: August 15, 2014
- Runners with the Weekend to End Cancer will be going through our neighbourhood on Sunday, September 7
- King Street East Contemporary Design Festival: September 20

### **7. Adjournment**

There being no further business, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 pm. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY:** Wally Simpson

Next meeting: OPEN HOUSE on Wednesday, September 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Times Squares Restaurant, 140 The Esplanade

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**Secretary**

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**President**



**LIST OF MOTIONS**  
**Delegates' Meeting July 30, 2014**

**2.2 Approval of Agenda**

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**MOVED BY:** Jacquie Jensen  
**SECONDED BY:** Steve Lowden

**2.3 Approval of Minutes for June 25, 2014**

It was resolved to approve the Minutes of the Delegates' meeting held on January 29, 2014 as presented.

**MOVED BY:** Wally Simpson  
**SECONDED BY:** Maureen Walsh

**7. Adjournment**

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**MOVED BY:** Wally Simpson