

FoRRP Steering Committee - November 21st, 2017

In Attendance: Jill, Zac, Barbara, Kim, Melana, Bob, Christine, Sam, Marco, Julie

1. Kitchen Programming

Write a blog post about the vandalism in the Kitchenette building ACTION: Jill & Bob. Need to address security of the building along with programming. ACTION: Melana to plan a special Kitchen programming meeting to discuss additional ideas and opportunities for Fred's Kitchenette.

Toast Tuesday will be taking place Tuesday Nov 28. There will be a blog post and some signage. This is considered a prototype. ACTION: Bob and Jill running event and will determine if this is something to do again or regularly.

Coffee Subscription is running and everyone supports it's continuation. Will be good to have bags of coffee in the kitchen for events and meetings. Ben is dropping off bags at subscribers house and along with Christine working on an online payment system. Christine is pursuing a Wordpress upgrade for our website that will allow for commerce and elimination of advertisements.

ACTION: Ben & Christine

2. Events Committee

Bookswap event to take place on December 9th. Extra books will be donated to various charitable organizations. This event should also be considered as a prototype moving forward. Action: Bob & Jill organizing with Stephanie Poole.

Events committee meeting to take place on December 12th to plan the Pancake Breakfast event.

3. Playground Update

Playground surveys are still being filled out. ACTION: Christine to post to general public on FoRRP blog about survey. Multiple people have asked about joining playground revitalization committee. The survey will be closed in the Spring and events committee will meet to discuss the results. ACTION: Zac will schedule another meeting for the Spring.

Harry can install tetherball posts if they are standard City metal posts. Brian Green would prefer that it be standard post and ball, which means we can use the large wooden posts from Melana for another playground feature. ACTION: Melana to talk to Brian about tetherball post installation. Potentially use a \$250 donation designated for tetherball for another purpose.

4. Heritage Committee Update

2018 Heritage calendar is launched! Will be available at Tampered Press and Ziggy's at Home. ACTION: Continue distributing flyers in neighbourhood

Proposed using enlarged historical images for animating kitchen, will need high resolution images. Group approved of using resources to get the hi-res images. ACTION: Kim and Barb to select a few preferred images that can be used for kitchen building, to be approved by Directors for image selection and funding. Tara can get us CNIB discount for hi-res scans.

Based on general interest from neighbours, proposed beginning the process of naming of laneways adjacent to our parks. City likes lanes to be named after historical things rather than people. To begin research/brainstorming of potential names for our lanes. ACTION: Email ideas to Barbara and Kim. ACTION: Marco to forward laneway naming steps to Barbara and Kim.

5. Tree Update

19 of the 37 trees we received this year have been adopted. All of the trees are still alive, despite some looking frail. The Horse Chestnut species particularly vulnerable. Two trees in Roxton Road Parkette need adopting, nine in George Ben (depending on school commitment), and seven in Fred Hamilton are also still available.

Other:

- there was some general interest in setting up a FoRRP Instagram account

The next meeting is the Annual General Meeting and will be Tuesday January 23rd, 2018.