

Minutes
York-Eglinton BIA
Tuesday, January 25, 2005
Maria A. Shchuka Library
6:30 p.m.– 8:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Nick Alampi – Chairman
John Neretlis – Secretary
Arnold Rowe – Board Member
Marjorie Renwick – Board Member
Howard Samuels – Board Member
Abdul Berhan – Board Member
Leroy King – Board Member
Mike deBeer - Web Designer
Mike Major – City of Toronto Economic Development
John Kiru - TABIA
Ben Rothman – Coun. Moscoe's Office
Carla Pedrosa – Coun Palacio's Office
Horace Rose – BIA Member
Rob Davis – Guest
Seong Hwang – Volunteer

REGRETS:

Enzo Torrone - Treasurer
Henrich Plummer – Board Member
John Pecchia – Board Member
Nick Rocosanta – Board Member

Welcome

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

Corrections and Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were approved without correction on a **motion** moved by **Abdul Berhan**

This was seconded by **Arnold Rowe**.

The motion was unanimously carried.

Mike Major informed the board that the agenda should include an item to be inserted after the meeting is called to order for ” **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**”

At this point Arnold Rowe declared that he is the chairman of the York Caribbean Carnival Committee (Y.C.C.C.)

Matters Arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

Presentation: Y.C.C.C

Rob Davis gave a presentation to the board, which included the following:

- He will need three (3) BIA members, which could include board members, to participate on the organizing committee.
- He will also require two (2) members to be included on the Y.C.C.C's board of directors, this group will be ultimately responsible for setting the policies of the Y.C.C.C.
- The committees will meet within the next 1-½ weeks.
- The board was informed that the Y.C.C.C is a member of Tourism Toronto.
- July 24th is the tentative date for the parade.
- Hopes to do a cross promotion in February/March. Expected to be ready by the second (2nd) week of February.
- February 8th is the deadline for material to be circulated.
- Rob Davis informed the board that the Organizing Committee will meet every two (2) weeks.
- The board will receive a statement of flow of funds from the Y.C.C.C.

Other Y.C.C.C. Information

- The Chairman asked if there were any board members who wished to volunteer to assist on the Y.C.C.C Organizing Committee or Board of Directors.
- Leroy King volunteered to assist.
- Marjory Renwick stated her concerns about King's unavailability as the Chairman of the 2004 Street Festival & looked forward to him being more available to assist with the Carnival Parade. King reassured the board that he is committed to volunteering for this event.
- Nick Alampi requested that Arnold Rowe and Horace Rose recruit members for the Y.C.C.C organizing committee and board of directors.
- John Kiru confirmed that the Y.C.C.C funding would be coming out of the 2005 York-Eglinton BIA budget.

Y.C.C.C Additional Funding

- Nick Alampi requested a detailed listing of the additional Y.C.C.C. funding.
- Rob informed the board that there was not yet any guarantee or confirmation from any other organization. He also stated that he gave Nick a letter from November 2004 & he received a response in January 2005 which would have assisted the organization in obtaining funds.
- Marjorie suggested that all communication from the Y.C.C.C to the BIA be conveyed via the BIA Office and to the BIA Secretary, John Neretlis.
- Nick asked if the Carnival Parade was a Twenty Eight Thousand (\$28,000.00) event. Arnold Rowe informed him that additional funds were expected.

Presentation – 3-Festival Committee

- John Neretlis stated that he has thoroughly read through the budget & detailed plan for the three 3-Festivals and he had a few concerns regarding the following matters:
(1) Security

- (2) Power supply
- (3) Stages
- (4) Porter Potties
- (5) The Number of volunteers and
- (6) A secure area for the participants.

- Horace informed the board that with regards to security, he would be relying on 13 Division's regular foot patrol to assist in that area and he planned to use risers and not stages for the performers.
- Horace also informed the board that he would need five (5) volunteers and that he would be pulling people from various stores & a paid coordinator will be employed.
- He requested of the board at what point would he receive the funding for the 3-Festivals.

A lengthy discussion followed. John Neretlis of the Finance Committee informed him that certain procedures would have to be met before funds are released. Nick Alampi assured Horace that the funds are committed, however more specifications are needed.

John Kiru stated that the 3-Festival Committee could give information to the board by February 8th. The following BIA members & board members were selected to be on the 3-Festival Committee.

- **Leroy King (Board Member/Freedom Time Magazine)**
- **Horace Rose (BIA Member/RAPS Restaurant)**
- **Roland (2001 Salon & Barber)**
- **Howard Samuels (Blacktress Hair salon)**
- **Arnold Rowe (BIA Member/Rapid Remittance Money transfer)**
- **Nick Alampi (BIA Chairman/Andrew's formals)**

Arnold Rowe moved a **motion** for the approval of the following BIA board members and members to participate on the 3-Festival Committee.

This was seconded by **Howard Samuels**.

The motion was unanimously carried

The committee will return to the meeting with additional information regarding band information and the required deposits.

The Chairman recommended that "Any Other Business" be deferred to the next board meeting on February 8th, as there would not be adequate time for discussion.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 by a **motion by Marjorie Renwick**.

This was seconded by **Arnold Rowe**.

Before the board members could leave the room, Horace Rose bought a Valentine's Day promotions idea to the members, which included the BIA purchasing 1,000.00 at \$2.00 each. He informed the board that the Two Thousand dollars be taken out of the 3-Festival (Jazz Festival Budget).

A **motion** was moved by **Arnold Rowe** that the Board utilize Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) from the budgeted amount from the Jazz Festival to cover the cost of the One Thousand (1,000) roses.

This was seconded by **Leroy King**.

The motion was unanimously carried

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Nick Alampi
Chairman

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John Neretlis
Secretary

Moved by:

Seconded by

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Board Member

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Board Member