



## Annual General Meeting Minutes

**DATE:** May 29, 2023

**LOCATION:** 90 Ashland Riverview Community Centre

**Attendance:** Jason Oliver, Laura Reimer, Krista Fraser-Kruck, Dennis Cunningham, Dominic Lloyd, May Wady, Dominic Marinelli, Quinn Fletcher, Colin Pochailo, Diane Lee Sousa, Shayla Vokey, Dave Temmerman, Brooke Koskie, Kristin Shiach, Marco Gallo, John Gilmore, Scott Brown, Julie Strong, Aaron Shand, Joe Sousa, Michel Dion, Jeff Eastman, Crystal Bennett, Sean Sedlacek, Ian McCallister, Cydnie Mather, Robin Mather, Bev Suek, Beth Smyth, Nat Kosteckyj, Neil Jacobs, Randi Hunter, Judy Jennings, Tyler Stillwell, Catherine Brazeau, Travis Cooke, Linda Wilson, Jim Strong

**Called to Order:** 7:05 pm

**Land Acknowledgment:** Jason

Riverview Community Centre is located on Treaty One lands, the original territories of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, Lakota, Dene peoples, and the homeland of the Red River Métis.

Riverview Community Centre proudly acknowledges our role in the many relationships that make up our home and commit to a spirit of reconciliation for the future.

1. **Approval of Minutes from April 28, 2022 AGM: MOTION: Approve minutes from 2022 AGM: Moved by Dennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Robyn Mather, none opposed, motion carried**
2. Review of 2022 at Riverview Community Centre – Jason Oliver (President) – see attached report
3. 2022 Financial Review – Diane Lee Sousa (Treasurer)
  - 3.1. **MOTION: Approve Financial Statements as at Dec 31, 2022: Moved by Julie Strong, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dom M., none opposed, motion carried**
  - 3.2. Notes from 2022 financial statements:
    - 3.2.1. Revenue
      - 3.2.1.1. More revenue in 2022 vs 2021 – covid restrictions eased/ended in 2022
      - 3.2.1.2. Fundraising – much higher in 2022 vs 2021
      - 3.2.1.3. Canteen – more revenue than previous year - open all winter this past year
      - 3.2.1.4. Reflector advertising – signs on rink plus reflector
    - 3.2.2. Expenses
      - 3.2.2.1. Bad debt on P&L – multiple events contributed to this but especially a turnover of renters – one renter in particular hasn't paid their bill
    - 3.2.3. Net revenue ~\$26,000 for the year
    - 3.2.4. Balance Sheet – there is an increase in capital assets since we now have the second rink – cash flow managing fine

4. Elections were held; nominations were called for from the floor three times.

Election Officers (Board Executive):

- i. Position of President: Jason Oliver
- ii. Position of Vice-President: Dominic Lloyd
- iii. Position of Secretary: Laura Reimer
- iv. Position of Treasurer: Dominic Marinelli
- v. Past President: Dennis Cunningham (no nomination required)
- vi. Facilities and grounds 1: Colin Pochailo
- vii. Facilities and grounds 2: Scott Brown
- viii. Events Director: Quinn Fletcher
- ix. Neighbourhood Group Liaison: May Wady
- x. Renovations and Grants: Marco Gallo
- xi. Sports, Rec and Leisure: Shayla Vokey
- xii. Member at Large: Diane Lee Sousa
- xiii. Member at Large: Brooke Koskie
- xiv. Member at Large: Kristin Shiach

\*Associate Members - Jonathan Gillmore and Dave Bynski

5. Close, Motion to Adjourn the AGM: Moved by Dennis, all in favour
  - a. 2024 AGM to be held April 18, 2024



## **2023 Annual President's Report – Riverview Community Centre**

I am delighted to present to you my annual report for this past year, which has been nothing short of remarkable. Throughout the year, Riverview Community Centre has experienced significant growth, accomplished impressive milestones, and brought an abundance of excitement to our community. From the appointment of a new General Manager to the successful completion of a large-scale project our Multiplex/ODR and the introduction of new programming and events, it is with great pride that we share the highlights and accomplishments that have shaped our community over the past year.

### **Staffing**

This year we had to say goodbye to Andrew Ward, and welcome Krista Fraser-Kruck, our New General Manager. Krista is a resident of Riverview with a Family of four; her initiative and seemingly abundant energy is contagious; we are all excited to have her lead the Team. Along with Krista, we continue to have Janice Gray - Building/Janitorial Super Manager, Tessa Allan - Public Relations and Programming Manager Extraordinaire. I can proudly say the club is in very good hands and we have much to look forward to with new and exciting programming, building improvements and events that our new staff have planned for us.

### **Building and Grounds**

Over the past year, Riverview Community has undertaken several significant building and grounds improvements to enhance the overall experience for its residents and visitors. These improvements span a wide range of areas, including the development of an Outdoor Multiplex/ODR, upgrades to the softball diamonds, acquisition of a new tractor, installation of a new HVAC unit, renovations to the basement, and ongoing efforts by the staff to make Riverview a more inviting and welcoming space. This report provides an overview of the various improvements carried out.

#### **Completion of the Outdoor Multiplex/ODR:**

One of the most notable achievements of the year was the completion of the Outdoor Multiplex, which now serves as a hub for Winter, Fall, and Summer activities. This multiplex includes an outdoor hard surface rink that is accessible to individuals of all abilities. Additionally, new energy-efficient lighting has been installed, contributing to increased energy savings. Moreover, the addition of four Pickleball courts has catered to the growing demand among enthusiasts, providing a dedicated space for their activities.

#### **Softball Diamonds Upgrades:**

The Club's softball diamonds have received considerable attention and care in recent times. In order to improve the playing conditions, 40 yards of red clay were introduced, enhancing both the aesthetics and functionality of the diamonds. These upgrades have significantly improved the overall experience for softball players, creating an environment conducive to enjoyable and competitive games.

#### **Acquisition of a New Tractor:**

The investment in a new tractor has proven to be a wise decision, ensuring the grounds at Riverview Community Club remain in top shape at all times. The tractor has provided the necessary reliability and assurance required for efficient maintenance and upkeep. We extend our gratitude to Sherri Rollins, our City Councillor, for securing a matching grant that covered the costs associated with this acquisition.



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### **HVAC Unit Installation:**

Recognizing the importance of a comfortable indoor environment, the installation of a new HVAC unit in the main hall has been completed. This mechanical improvement ensures optimal temperature control and ventilation, enhancing the overall experience for community members utilizing the main hall for various events, gatherings, and activities.

### **Basement Renovations:**

Efforts are underway to enhance the basement space at Riverview Community, making it more inviting for rentals and other purposes. The planned improvements include a fresh coat of paint and various other enhancements to create a more attractive and welcoming environment. Once completed, the renovated basement will serve as an ideal space for community members seeking versatile rental options.

### **Ongoing Staff Efforts:**

Throughout the year, the dedicated staff at Riverview Community has continually strived to make improvements and create a more inviting atmosphere. Their efforts have included various initiatives aimed at enhancing different areas of the community, such as landscaping, maintenance, and customer service. The commitment of the staff members is greatly appreciated and has contributed significantly to making Riverview a warm and welcoming space for all.

The past year has witnessed significant progress in building and grounds improvements at Riverview Community. The completion of the Outdoor Multiplex, upgrades to the softball diamonds, acquisition of a new tractor, installation of a new HVAC unit, ongoing basement renovations, and the continual efforts of the staff and volunteers have all played a vital role in making Riverview an even more inviting and welcoming space.

## **Events**

### **Spring Carnival/Slow Pitch Tourney:**

After the challenging period caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Spring Carnival/Slow Pitch Tourney returned in full gear, signaling a return to normalcy. The event witnessed a tremendous turnout, with numerous families enjoying the festivities. This year's event, scheduled for June 16th, promises to be even better, building upon the success of the previous year and providing an exciting day for the community.

### **Fall Supper:**

The Fall Supper remains a beloved event that not only raises funds for the club but also brings the community together. The event showcased delicious food, creating a warm and inviting atmosphere for community members to enjoy a meal together. The Fall Supper continues to be a staple event in Riverview, fostering a sense of unity and camaraderie.

### **Breakfast with Santa**

Breakfast with Santa at Riverview Community Centre was an extraordinary success, with an incredible turnout that filled our hearts with joy and holiday cheer. Families from our community eagerly gathered to enjoy a delightful morning filled with laughter, delicious food,



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and special moments with Santa Claus himself. The overwhelming support and enthusiasm demonstrated by our community members made Breakfast with Santa an unforgettable experience, and we look forward to continuing this cherished tradition in the years to come.

### **Trivia Nights:**

Riverview Community Centre hosted two highly attended Trivia Nights throughout the year. The themed nights, one in the fall with a Halloween theme and another in the spring, brought together trivia enthusiasts for an evening of challenging questions and friendly competition. These events provided a platform for community members to showcase their knowledge while having a great time; however I do believe the judges picked the wrong costume winner this year.

### **4x4 Hockey Tournament:**

The 4x4 Hockey Tournament, a keystone event for the club, made a successful full return in force. This highly anticipated tournament drew passionate participants who showcased their skills and sportsmanship on the ice. The event served as a gathering point for hockey enthusiasts and further strengthened the sense of community within Riverview.

### **Frostbite Run**

The winter Frostbite Run at Riverview Community Centre has proven to be a resounding success year after year. Despite the chilly temperatures, participants eagerly lace up their running shoes and gather to conquer the frosty challenge. The event has become a beloved tradition, attracting both seasoned runners and newcomers seeking a thrilling winter race.

### **Grand Opening of Multiplex:**

The Grand Opening of the Multiplex was a significant milestone event, representing years of planning and dedication. This momentous occasion marked the culmination of efforts to create a versatile space for various activities and events. The Multiplex has since become a central hub for community engagement and will continue to serve as a focal point for future gatherings.

### **Puzzle Night:**

Puzzle Night, a recent addition to the event lineup, garnered substantial participation, with over 30 teams engaging in a night of puzzle-solving fun. The event not only provided entertainment but also fostered collaboration and camaraderie among participants. Puzzle Night is expected to become a recurring event, attracting puzzle enthusiasts of all ages.

### **Cribbage, Chili, and Craft Event:**

The Cribbage, Chili, and Craft event proved to be a super fun gathering, offering participants the opportunity to engage in pegging for points, taste different chili recipes, and explore their creativity through crafts. This multifaceted event catered to a diverse range of interests, providing an enjoyable experience for all attendees.

### **Cleat Swap:**

The inaugural Cleat Swap event achieved remarkable success, offering families in need an opportunity to acquire cleats at an affordable price. This event not only provided a practical



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solution but also fostered a sense of community support and cooperation. The Cleat Swap event is expected to continue benefiting families in the future.

### **Annual Garage Sale:**

The Annual Garage Sale served as an ideal platform for community members to find great deals on various items while contributing to the club's fundraising efforts. This event provided an avenue for residents to declutter their homes and engage in sustainable practices by recycling unwanted items.

### **Movie Nights:**

Family-friendly Movie Nights at Riverview Community Centre offered a delightful opportunity for residents to gather and enjoy great films. These evenings provided a comfortable and enjoyable atmosphere for families to relax, bond, and indulge in delicious treats while watching movies together.

### **Other Events:**

In addition to the aforementioned events, Riverview Community Centre also hosted numerous impromptu events throughout the year. These gatherings, whether on the rinks, within the club, or throughout the community, brought the committee and community members together, fostering a sense of unity and shared experiences.

## **Programming**

Riverview Community Centre is proud to present a comprehensive report highlighting the diverse range of programming offered over the past year.

### **Summer Camps:**

The Summer Camps at Riverview Community Centre proved to be an overwhelming success, providing the children of our neighborhood with weeks filled with excitement, adventure, and memorable experiences. These camps offered a variety of engaging activities and thematic weeks that catered to the diverse interests of our young participants. The positive feedback and enthusiastic participation from both campers and their families have solidified the Summer Camps as a much-anticipated annual highlight within our community.

### **Sports Programming:**

The sports programming at Riverview Community Centre has flourished over the past year, offering a wide range of opportunities for individuals of all ages to engage in physical activity, develop skills, and foster a love for sports. The variety of sports included Mini Soccer, Youth Basketball, Youth Soccer, Softball, Baseball, Youth Indoor Basketball, Youth Indoor Soccer, Jackrabbit Hockey, Adult Indoor Basketball, Adult Indoor Soccer, Grey Hares Hockey, Nordic ski trails and Pickleball. Each program was meticulously organized and coordinated by our dedicated volunteers and conveners, whose passion and commitment have created a thriving sports community within Riverview.

### **Other Programming/Classes:**



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Riverview Community Centre takes pride in offering a diverse range of programming and classes that cater to the interests and needs of our community members. Over the past year, our programming has been successful in providing engaging and enriching experiences for individuals of all ages. These include: Pound Fitness, Magic Lessons, Grenfell Art Group, Seniors Fitness, Creative Writing for Mature Adults, Zumba, Shakespeare for Children, Yoga, Crisp Speaker Series, Men's Shed, Age Friendly and more.

The success of these programming can be attributed to the collaborative efforts of our volunteers, who generously shared their time, expertise, and love for the game. Riverview Community Centre extends a heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers and conveners for their invaluable contributions.

### **The Future**

Looking towards the future, Riverview Community Centre is brimming with exciting ambitions and plans that aim to elevate our community and enhance the experiences of our members. First and foremost, the board is committed to creating a Strategic Plan, utilizing valuable input from the community to outline a clear vision and direction for the coming years. Additionally, we will continue our efforts to improve our facility both inside and out, ensuring that it remains a welcoming and well-maintained space for all. The community can also look forward to a vibrant calendar of neighborhood events, to bring us together at least once a month, fostering a sense of unity and connection. In response to popular demand, we hope to announce the return of tournaments for youth hockey providing opportunities for young athletes to showcase their skills and passion for the game. Lastly, a key focus will be on actively pursuing and engaging with municipal, provincial, and federal governments to secure grants and support. By leveraging these resources, we can further our goals, expand our programming, and better serve the diverse needs of our community. With these ambitions and collective efforts, Riverview Community looks ahead to a future filled with growth, enrichment, and an unwavering commitment to the well-being of our members.

In closing, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to the dedicated staff, board members, and especially the volunteers who have played an integral role in making Riverview Community Centre a thriving and vibrant hub of activity and togetherness.

Without your unwavering support, commitment, and tireless efforts, none of the achievements and successes detailed in this annual report would have been possible. Your passion, enthusiasm, and countless hours of service have shaped Riverview Community Centre into a place where memories are created and friendships are forged.

Together, we look forward to many more years of creating cherished moments and building an even stronger, more vibrant Riverview Community Centre.

**Respectfully**

Jason Oliver

President