

# Friends of Garibaldi Park Society Open Board Meeting Agenda

**Date: Tuesday October 4, 2022 at 7pm**  
**Via Google Meet**

## **In Attendance:**

Taryn Eyton  
Greg Smolyn  
Sierra Searing  
Suk Soos  
Jay MacArthur  
Vanessa Roth  
Alexandra Piros  
Carlyle Machinski  
Nadya Ogloff  
Meghan Joycey  
Jag Singh

## Minutes

1. Approval of September meeting minutes
  - a. Minutes approved
2. Call for additional agenda items
  - a. No new agenda items
3. AGM and elections are coming up in November - Taryn
  - a. Required to hold one because of the society act.
  - b. Holding mid term elections.
    - i. Last AGM we held 2yr term positions to boards.
    - ii. Structure is Board of directors of 11 people and they are elected
    - iii. We have elected positions that are not on the board of directors (vice chairs)
  - c. Currently positions open:
    - i. Member at Large, voting member where they are hopefully involved in volunteer opportunities and voting
    - ii. Chair positions: social media and advocacy,
    - iii. Vice Chair positions: Social Media
  - d. Carlyle interested social media. Suk in a board positions or in general and trail maintenance and advocacy chair.
4. Social media update - Taryn
  - a. Sierra and Jag have been posting on social media in the interim but hopefully there will be someone permanently in the positions soon.

- b. Feed post on last trail hike would be great in the next couple of weeks done by Jag and/or Sierra.
  - c. Could be good for Jag and Vanessa to give content to Carlyle with content for social media posts.
5. Treasurer update - Megan
- a. We have a donation button on the website - yay, but it's not given a receipt just an automatic email saying thank you. So that is something we are working on. We can do invoices for now. But it also says that we are a non-profit and cannot issue a tax receipt it says this on our website as well.
  - b. We need to fix the link with the donate button on some of the other pages.
  - c. But we are working on the automatic receipts.
  - d. Megan will prepare budget for the AGM and figure out if we need to charge a member fee or something and a suggested amount.
    - i. Our by-laws say that we can charge a fee and then they can vote.
    - ii. We don't need to tell the government every time there is a change of director, just once a year at the annual filing.
  - e. Bills
    - i. November BC Societies
    - ii. Feb/domain
    - iii. May/domain
    - iv. Owing people back who have put money in already.
  - f. Can we do sponsorships with organisations as well - yes good question we are a small organisation with less that \$300/year of bills and so we are working on building a robust organisation at the moment but if we had the man power we could do a fundraising committee.
6. Trail maintenance committee update - Jagwinder/Vanessa
- a. Alex's - Elfin lakes just collected garbage and the red heather shelter. This was in lieu of the Helm Creek as Alex could not find another trained leader to go with her so she did Elfin with a friend.
  - b. Agreed to 2x month social media post although no one was able to commit.
7. Advocacy Committee Update - Tom, Sierra
- a. Talked about BC Parks Closures throughout the summer
  - b. Currently trying to get more information about the Taylor Meadows and Cheakamus lake closures, Garibaldi Lake Flooding, and why is Elfin Shelter closed.
  - c. Wants to coordinate with Trail Maintenance to show our support in trying to fix these things together.
  - d. BC Parks has a new survey they put out that ends at the end of this month. Sierra put in on our Social Media.
  - e. Jay will try and contact Kara about the hut because it would be good to have it open for the winter.
8. Volunteer Coordinator update - Emily, Greg, and Alex
- a. No new reports - been dropping in on some trail maintenance meetings and trying to do some work with them as it aligns with their work. We might go back to doing meetings after trail maintenance.
  - b. We have event brite template set up.
9. Website and IT update - Alex

- a. We set up paypal but for some reason our account was shut down that we do not know, so that is why we have the donate system we have now.

10. BC Trail Tracker - Jay

- a. maybe we could have a trail champion for each trail. Could FOGPS find a champion for each trail.
  - i. But in the past we had people who wanted to not be stuck on one trail.
  - ii. But at the moment we just do not have enough people to help with the trail hikes we do have.

11. Reminder of upcoming meeting dates:

- a. AGM Tuesday November 1 at 7pm
- b. Trail Maintenance: TBA
- c. Advocacy: Tuesday October 18 at 8pm
- d. Social: tba
- e. Volunteer coordination: probably meet after Trail Maintenance