

Friends of Garibaldi Park Society

September 2024 Open Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday September 9, 2024 at 7 pm

Via Google Meet

In Attendance:

Taryn Eyton

Greg Smolyn

Sierra Searing

Jillian Dean

Emily Freer

Anthony Downes

Jagwinder Singh

Carlyle Machinski

Monika Bittel

Regrets:

Vanessa Arsenault

1. Approval of June meeting minutes - - ADOPTED
2. Call for additional agenda items - non
3. Revised meeting format - proposal to combine trail maintenance meeting with open board meeting
 - Proposed by Trail maintenance committee to get more board members involved in planning and attendance
 - Starting in October will combine meetings (TM right after open board)
 - Maybe summarize upcoming events in open board mtg
4. Advocacy Committee Update - Taryn
 - Committee hasn't met since May
 - Letter/press release was created by committee re position on day passes
5. Treasurer Updated - Sierra/Taryn
 - Banking information was updated to reflect people that currently need access to Vancity account (Taryn, Sierra & Vanessa)

- Greg will find spreadsheets in Google drive and ensure Sierra has access
6. Website and IT update - Greg
 - Updates to board member page in progress
 7. Social media update - Carlyle
 - Carlyle looking for support with posting, other board members have access to social media accounts
 - Carlyle put up IG post about Sept event
 8. Trail maintenance committee update
 - Garibaldi lake event went well (Invasive species event plus garbage event)
 - Invasive species council is interested in partnering with FOPGS for future events
 - Request for any members with photos of that event to upload to the drive, suggestion to take photos of strange items found during garbage cleanup to post on social media
 - Brian from BCMC has inquired whether FOGPS is interested in another brushing out again on Elfin Lakes
 - Suggestion to partner with VOC as well for Elfin Lakes event
 - Next event September 21 at Cheakamus Lake and Eventbrite is up
 9. Additional agenda items - none
 10. Reminder of upcoming meeting dates:
 - Next open board meeting Wednesday October 2
 - Trail Maintenance: Tuesday September 10 [2nd Tuesday of the month]
 - Advocacy: Sept 18 at 7pm
 11. Action items
 - Carlyle will do IG post for September event. Taryn will send out event promotion in newsletter
 - Taryn will update Google meeting for next month to reflect change in meeting structure and change in date
 - Greg will continue updates to website
 - Greg will locate treasurer spreadsheets in Google Drive and give Sierra access
 - Sierra will review treasurer spreadsheets