

**135<sup>th</sup> Report of the**  
**ELDON HOUSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Meeting held online on Wednesday February 21, 2024 commencing at 4:30 pm

Present: M. Halliday, T. Wittmann, B. Duncan, J. O'Neil, D. Fleming, B. McClure, L. Henderson, R. Armistead

Regrets: M. Donachie, D. Luthra

**Board Meeting**

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

**HENDERSON and FLEMING**

That the agenda **BE APPROVED**

**CARRIED**

**2. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest**

Nil

**3. Approval of 132<sup>nd</sup> Report of the Eldon House Board of Directors**

**MCCLURE and FLEMING**

That the 132<sup>nd</sup> Report of the Eldon House Board **BE APPROVED**

**CARRIED**

**4. D. Millar - Chair's Remarks**

- Mike sent his remarks, hopefully all got a chance to read

**5. T. Wittmann - Overview of Staff and Finance Reports**

- Working on creating program, exhibit and special events
- Memory lane program with new training – New Horizons grant given
- Construction/conservation projects
  - o Finalization of glass inside museum
  - o Lucy Little project
  - o Re-carpeting
  - o Installation of new security system
- Admin happenings
  - o COL budget deliberation
  - o Annual audit with KPMG
  - o Asset management work required by legislation

**O'NEIL and DUNCAN**

That the Staff Reports **BE RECEIVED**

## **CARRIED**

### **6. D. Millar - Multi-year Budget Update**

- T. Wittmann – more confirmation – attending budget deliberation sessions
  - o First day – budget didn't feature on mayors budget that outlined amendments

### **7. School Class Transportation Funding**

- D. Luthra to speak to this but sent regrets
- T. Wittmann – long term discussion for over a decade – complications with bussing companies and school budgets
- Tabled for further discussion at next meeting

### **8. AGM Planning**

- T. Wittmann
  - o Traditionally meeting isn't traditional
  - o For many years, Staff took this on but always board event so ask for Staff to continue this or special events committee to take on/collaboration
  - o If we want a speaker, we need some lead time to find someone and give them prep time
- D. Millar motion to have a guest speaker

## **MCCLURE and FLEMING**

That a motion to have a Guest Speaker at the AGM be approved

## **CARRIED**

- o Organization
  - O'Neil the chair of special events coordination - get a hold of Special Events committee involved

### **9. Committee Reports**

- B. Duncan – Strategy and Innovation Committee
  - o Started to work on updating current strategy and bringing it forward
  - o Brief discussion about becoming a charitable foundation

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- J. O'Neil – solar eclipse in April now a PD day – Eldon House closed?
  - o T. Wittmann – already a date that we are closed
- B. Duncan – TD friends of environment foundation – not been a source of funding – now support community gardens – intent to work with T. Wittmann to have a July submission

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**DUNCAN** at 5:20 pm

## **NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday March 20, 2024 – in-person