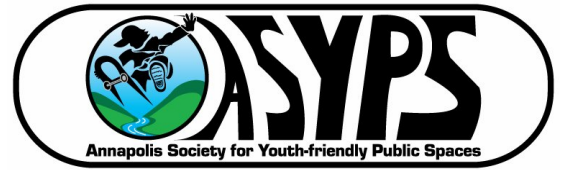


**Annapolis Society for Youth-friendly Public Spaces  
Annapolis County Municipal Council Chamber  
November 12, 2008 – 7:00pm**



**Present**

- 6 members present, with executive.
  - Regrets: Wendy, Jonathan, Blaze, Evan, Grant
- I. Meeting called to order at 7:11 pm.
- II. Approval of Minutes
- Members read minutes from October meeting prior to arrival.
  - Minutes passed on full consensus of group.
- III. Treasurer's Report
- The total funds we have collected thus far are \$9337.58.
  - Funds (\$5000.00) still pending from the county. André to investigate.
  - No other transactions in this period.
- IV. Fundraising Report
- Dawn has stepped down as Vice-Chair and Fundraising committee chair. Wendy Knowlton was nominated for both positions. Nomination passed on group consensus. Wendy will call Dawn for update on current grants written.
  - Ham Dinner on November 29<sup>th</sup> at Fire Hall in Annapolis discussed:
    - Will be a joint fundraiser with AYSPPS and Pool committee
    - **Need as many group members (youth and parents) as possible so we can live up to our end of the commitment. Please make a point of being there that day. Times and details will follow.**
    - Discussed entertainment at Dinner. Suggestions of acoustic set guitars, kids games, skateboarding display in parking lot, and slide show of the pool project and youth park. If you have a way of helping on this end please call André ASAP.
    - Wendy will call Sally immediately to get details on where we are needed most.
  - Another idea was brought up for the middle of winter of having an indoor skate jam. Admission would be \$5.00 and live bands would be on stage in one of the school gymnasiums. Excellent fundraiser and something different. Will be investigated further at January meeting.
  - Also fundraising events and meetings attendance has been down recently. Discussed improving attendance by better communication. A new contact list will be started immediately by Bill to improve communication among members.
- V. Chair Report
- Chair absent, nothing to report.

## VI. The André Report

- New updated design with (bunt pan or carrot cake pan) arrived only hours before the meeting. It was shown on the large screen and certainly approved of by sitting members.
- The position of one of the rails has been reversed and “drop in” platforms have been added on the fun track.
- André will have the “pole jam cannon” added. The group decided these were the only improvements needed until the later stages of the design. With the current lay out, a railroad theme would be possible and something to look at in the future.
- Other ideas from Brad Hall were: ASYPS writing a 10 minute play on ASYPS work thus far and entering it in the shorts at King’s Theatre, the Youth working with Brad to make metal bike racks for the site, and a metal “tricycle sculpture” that the Art Community would like to set up at the site. These ideas will be reviewed further at the next meeting.
- Discussed organizing a “Big Rake” on St. George by going door-to-door and asking people for a donation in return for raking leaves. This is something that can be done, but needs to be done soon. **If you are interested and get others interested please contact Bill or André ASAP.**
- André will forward contact information to Wendy from West 49 for possible sponsorship. Wendy and the youth will work on the proposal together.

## VII. Go Skateboarding Day 2009

- Had been added to Festival and Events Calendar by Wendy.

## VIII. Clean-Up Day Debrief

- Went well. Everyone who participated deserves a thank you. New pictures of site will be added to website soon.

## IX. Gift Cards

- This fundraiser will involve people making a donation to ASYPS and getting a card in return stating they made a donation on behalf of someone to replace a physical gift.
- Group decided to print 100 cards as a trial. Hope to have them at Ham Dinner if pool society is on board with the project. Integrity printing will handle the actual printing. The cards will be available for any community event our membership is at or for our membership to purchase on their own.
- Cards will be ready no later than November 29<sup>th</sup>.

X. Community Message

- Discussed a presentation by youth members to all schools in the area to let people know the progress of the project and where we go from here. This presentation will only be 5 minutes in length not to tie up much class time but get the update out to the community at large. Reed, Jonathan, and André will meet to discuss this project further.
- Another discussion was revisiting a mail out. It will cost appx \$200 for us to have a flyer placed in over 1700 mailboxes by Canada Post. This flyer will contain such information as current fundraisers, events, money earned/needed, and facts about ASYPS.
- André will design the flyer (color to stand out) and Bill will look into the cost of having them printed. With this information at the next meeting the group can decide if we want to go ahead with this awareness project.

XI. Other Topics:

- Members who are interested can meet André this Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at his office around 330pm to shoot a walking video contest. Skateboarding will be incorporated. This video is for a contest with the winners receiving a trip to Halifax to present their video.
- GPI Atlantic will be holding a Youth Leadership Workshop for 13-17 year olds. This workshop would be an excellent opportunity for our youth to gain some skills and qualities that will help in their community. André will follow up with pertinent information in the coming days. If you are interested please contact him.

Next Meeting: **January 14, 2009 @ 7:00pm – Annapolis County Municipal Building**

Meeting adjourned: 8:23pm

Respectfully submitted: Bill Knowlton