



Administration:

Member Notification of Board Decision

As it is the Board's desire to ensure that members are informed and connected to the Association and decisions made at the Board level, the Board approved the CEO's recommendation that a Summary of Board Proceedings and Outcomes be publically released upon approval by the Board of meeting minutes.

Fund Development Plan

The Board discussed a fundraising strategy and the importance of this project given the current economic climate. The Board approved the CEO's recommendation that BCRPA proceed with the hiring of a consultant to develop a three-year strategic fund development plan for the Association.

Value Statements

The Board adopted the BCRPA Value Statements

- We are vision driven.
- We are ethical, trustworthy and fair.
- We are open and transparent in our conduct and communicate our intentions, plans and actions.
- We are accountable and responsive to our members and partners.
- We respect and value diversity.
- We use a business approach, ensuring that we are fiscally responsible, strategic, effective and prudent stewards and managers of the assets entrusted to our care.
- We are committed to principles of community development and to enhancing the quality of life of all British Columbians by working with and through our members, our local communities, our partners and our volunteers.

Nominating Committee

As per the Bylaws for the BCRPA, the Board convened the Nominating Committee to develop a slate of candidates for the Board of Directors consisting of two directors and a President Elect. Nominating Committee members are:

- Tom Osborne, Past President & Chair
- David Graham, President
- Lori MacKay, President Elect
- Kevin Pike, BCRPA Member
- Suzanne Strutt, CEO

Board Evaluation Tool

The Board discussed the establishment of an annual performance review of the Board of Directors and the importance of a review to understand and recognize what is working well, to identify areas for improvement and discuss and agree on priorities for change. The Board adopted the CEO's recommendation to approve the annual evaluation tool.

Student Scholarships

The Board adopted the CEO's recommendation that the BCRPA student scholarship program be revised to remove the requirement that post secondary institutes be affiliate members of BCRPA to be eligible to nominate a student and that the BCRPA student scholarship program be evaluated following the 2009 process.

Symposium 2009

The Board was briefed on planning for 2009 and approved the theme, schedule, keynote speakers and the working budget.

Symposium 2010

The Board was briefed on planning for the Symposium in Penticton.

Membership and Fitness Registration Statistics

BCRPA membership statistics were presented to the Board. As of October 20, 2008, there were 815 members and 3,467 registered fitness leaders.

Partnership Projects:

CPRA

The Board supported the CEO's role as co-chair of the Transition Team as well as the additional financial contribution from BCRPA to support this important work.

ParticipACTION

The Board supported BCRPA's role as provincial coordinator for the SOGO Active Initiative.

Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM)

The Board was briefed on the UBCM Convention and the signing of the protocol agreement between BCRPA and UBCM. The Board was supportive of the partnership and looks forward to continued and future collaboration.

Government Not-for-Profit Initiative (GNPI)

The Board was briefed on the status of this initiative and the CEO's role on the Steering Committee.

Public Policy:

Election Strategy

The Board expressed the importance of an election strategy that connects with all BC political parties and makes the economic argument linking healthy living to the economy and it authorized the development of a plan.

Camping in Parks: Need for Coordinated Action

In response to a member request, BCRPA will assist members with communication and coordination relating to camping in parks, and more specifically, how to manage the issue of homelessness from a parks perspective and how to preserve parks as places for all citizens. A panel session will be offered at Symposium on best practices, legal issues and any outcomes relating to camping in parks.

Meeting with Mary Polak, Minister of Healthy Living and Sport

The Board was briefed on the CEO's successful meeting with Minister Polak.

BC Healthy Living Alliance (BCHLA)

The Board received the *Healthy Future for BC Families* policy discussion report and budget submission for information.

Turbulent Economic Times

The Board discussed the role the Association can play to help municipal recreation during these current economic times. Key messages will be distributed via the communiqué to encourage recreation departments to undertake a campaign to promote the use of parks and recreation services.

Business Planning:

The Board adopted the BCRPA Business Plan for 2008-2009 and gave priority to five result areas including, organizational sustainability, partnership development, leadership renewal, community development and infrastructure renewal. The CEO will report on progress at the AGM.